

Minutes of a meeting of the CITY EXECUTIVE BOARD on Wednesday 11 July 2018

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Committee members:

Councillor Brown (Chair)

Councillor Chapman

Councillor Rowley

Councillor Upton

Councillor Linda Smith (Deputy Leader)

Councillor Hollingsworth

Councillor Tidball

Officers:

Gordon Mitchell, Chief Executive

Tim Sadler, Executive Director Sustainable City

Ian Brooke, Head of Community Services

Lindsay Cane, Legal Services Manager

Nigel Kennedy, Head of Financial Services

John Mitchell, Committee and Member Services Officer

Also present:

Councillor Andrew Gant

Apologies:

Councillors Turner and Hayes sent apologies.

35. Declarations of Interest

None.

36. Addresses and Questions by Members of the Public

None.

37. Councillor Addresses on any item for decision on the Board's agenda

None.

38. Councillor Addresses on Neighbourhood Issues

Councillor Gant spoke to this item. He had become aware that the Chair had recently accepted the opportunity to be briefed on the Northern Gateway project by the developers. He thought it would have been helpful for that opportunity to have been available to the rest of the Board and those Ward Members affected by the project.

The Chair explained that the invitation had come at very short notice and it had not been practicable to involve others. She noted that this had come prior to a public

consultation which was due to start very soon and which would give all those with an interest the opportunity to contribute.

39. Items raised by Board Members

None.

40. Scrutiny Committee Reports

The Scrutiny Committee met on 03 July. No reports were due to come to this meeting of the City Executive Board as a direct result of that meeting. Cllr Gant, as Chair of Scrutiny Committee, was however able to report on the establishment by Scrutiny Committee of two review groups on “No Local Connection” (in the context of homelessness) and “Tourism Management.”

41. Children and young people's strategy

The Head of Community Services had submitted a report to request that the City Executive Board approve the Children & Young People’s Strategy (2018-2022) which had been updated following consultation.

Cllr Tidball introduced this item, reminding members of the Board that they had seen the previous pre-consultation iteration of the strategy. The consultation had been very effective, elicited over a hundred responses, the majority of which had been from representative organisations, which had, in turn, helped to shape and improve the strategy.

She was pleased to note that the Children’s Trust regarded the strategy as an example of good practice and it would be cited in its revised Children and Young People’s Plan.

The Head of Community Services drew attention to paragraph 14 of the report which summarised common themes flowing from the consultation which included: making the strategy accessible to a wider audience; the need to work effectively in partnership; increased clarity on roles and responsibilities; increased focus on those with disabilities; and an increased focus on mental health.

The Chair thanked all those who had contributed to this important piece of work. She encouraged Board members to take every opportunity to celebrate and promote the wide range of support and activities provided by the City Council for children and young people.

The City Executive Board resolved to:

Adopt the Children & Young People’s Strategy.

42. Minutes

The City Executive Board resolved to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 13 June 2018 as a true and accurate record.

43. Dates of Future Meetings

Meetings are scheduled for the following dates:

- 14 August 2018
- 18 September 2018
- 16 October 2018
- 14 November 2018
- 18 December 2018

All meetings start at 5pm.

44. Matters Exempt from Publication

No matters were considered in confidential session.

The meeting started at 5.00 pm and ended at 5.15 pm

Chair

Date: Tuesday 14 August 2018

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