

Report of the Community and Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee February 2016

The Committee met on 20 January 2016 and discussed the Report of the Commuter Parking Task and Finish Group, Flood Risk Update Report and a Review of External Bodies.

The Commuter Parking item followed the completion of the work by the Task and Finish Group so we reviewed the report and the recommendations. Those participating in the Task and Finish Group found it to be interesting and they learned more about the parking issues around the Borough. The Committee thanked those involved and particularly David Sleight for his Chairmanship and drafting of the report. The report recommendations are to be submitted to the Executive for consideration and development of an action plan.

The Flood Risk Manager gave a summary of the Flood Risk Update Report and progress made in 2015. Additional staff have been recruited into the team and investigation reports are expected shortly on the 2013/14 winter floods. The Scrutiny Committee enquired about how any findings will be progressed and reported. Borough officers will coordinate with Town and Parish Councils on measures to be taken and there are now also monthly meetings of internal stakeholders. Where appropriate papers will be taken to the Executive.

The Committee wishes to draw to a conclusion the long running item on Review of External Bodies. In order to do so the Committee agreed the following action for reporting to the next meeting.

RESOLVED: That the Deputy Executive Member for Regeneration and Communities and the Democratic Services Officer compile a table of information on external Bodies to include the following:

- The name of the Body
- Its aims
- Whether it is a statutory Body
- The Council representative
- The rationale for having a representative
- Funding that the Body receives from Council.

At the next meeting of the Committee on 22 March the Committee will be considering an update report on progress with the community café at Shutters, an update on Member notification on road repairs, a report on representation on outside bodies and if the timing is correct a review of the potential impact of the Government's right to buy scheme.

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