12 November 2009 Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Extraordinary)

AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEEWAS HELD ON 12 NOVEMBER 2009

Councillors Beavis, Carr, Champion, Dickson (P), Mrs Forder (P), Forder (Chairman) (P), Foster-Reed, Geddes, Hylands (P), Mrs Searle, and Miss West.

27. APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were submitted on behalf of Councillors Beavis, Carr, Champion, Foster-Reed, Geddes and Miss West.

28. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

29. REPORT ON THE CONFERENCE ON LONELINESS AND ISOLATION AMONGST GOSPORT'S OLDER PEOPLE HELD ON 8 OCTOBER 2009

Consideration was given to a report of the Borough Solicitor which sought the Committee's approval to recommend to Council the setting up of a stakeholders working group to progress the matters identified at the conference and work up proposals for the Older Person's Forum.

The report also sought Committee approval to recommend to Council that the Older Person's Stakeholders Working Group comprise 2 Borough Councillors and a representative from each of the following :-

- Health
- County Council
- Schools
- Community (2 representatives)
- Older Person's Organisation

RESOLVED: That Council be recommended to approve:

- a) the establishment of a stakeholders working group to progress the matters identified at the conference and work up proposals for the Older Person's Forum; and
- b) the above stakeholders working group comprise 2 Borough Councillors and a representative from each of the following:
 - Health
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30. POST 16 VOCATIONAL EDUCATION

The Chairman advised that there had been considerable reaction and interest in this subject since it had been discussed by the Committee on 12 October 2009 and proposed that a meeting be arranged for 15 December 2009 at 5.00 p.m. to which the Principals of Bay House School and Sixth Form, Bridgemary Community Sports College, St Vincent College and Brune Park Community College would be invited to respond to questions and give their views.

The Chairman emphasised the aim to complete this scrutiny by March 2010 and suggested that the views of the business community and HMS Sultan should be sought and that a visit by Members to a post 16 education provider with good vocational provision should be arranged.

RESOLVED: That a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be arranged for 15 December 2009 at 5.00 p.m. and that the Principals of Bay House School and Sixth Form, Bridgemary Community Sports College, St Vincent College and Brune Park Community College be invited to attend, respond to questions and give their views.

The meeting ended at 6.25 p.m

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CHAIRMAN