

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE STRATEGY COMMITTEE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNCIL OFFICES, CORKS LANE, HADLEIGH ON THURSDAY, 12 DECEMBER 2013

PRESENT: Ms J A Jenkins – Chairman

Dr M F M Bamford	Mr J R B Cave
Mr S R Barrett	Mr A J Hinton
Mr N A Bennett	Mrs A K Pollard
Mr A C Bavington	Mr A J Ward
Mrs S Carpendale	Mrs S M Wigglesworth

Mr N A Ridley was also in attendance at the meeting.

Mr C W Arthey was unable to be present.

60 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

None declared.

61 MINUTES

RESOLVED

That the Minutes of the meeting held on [21 November 2013](#) be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

62 PETITIONS

None received.

63 QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS

None received.

64 WORK PLAN

The Head of Corporate Organisation submitted a report ([Paper N86](#)) relating to items which had been identified on the Committee Work Plan.

Members noted that the Affordable Housing Guidance, and adoption of the Core Strategy (subject to the timing of receipt of the Planning Inspector's report) are now provisionally scheduled for the February meeting of the Committee,

RESOLVED

That the contents of Paper N86 together with the above update be noted.

65 GYPSY AND TRAVELLER ACCOMMODATION ASSESSMENT FOR 2012-17

The Corporate Manager – Strategic Housing introduced a report from the Head of Economy ([Paper N87](#)) seeking approval to the new Assessment and future use of the evidence provided.

She explained the findings of the Assessment with reference to the joint co-ordinated approach with other Local Authorities and agencies, and responded to questions about various matters including funding and the basis of the pitch requirement calculations.

It was noted that this assessment being need-based was an improvement on the previous arrangements, and that the evidence now available would assist in understanding the travelling patterns of the relevant gypsy and traveller communities. Members were aware that the newly-established Steering Group will carry out further detailed work and report to Executive and Strategy Committees in due course.

RESOLVED

- (1) That the Gypsy and Traveller Accommodation Assessment (GTTA) for 2012-2014, attached as Appendix 1 to Paper N87, be approved.**
- (2) That approval be given to utilise the evidence provided in the report to inform the requirement to plan for a suitable land supply for residential pitch provision over the next 5 years and for the subsequent period of 6-15 years.**

66 STRATEGIC PERFORMANCE MONITORING 2013/14

The Corporate Manager – Business Improvement (Corporate) introduced a report from the Head of Corporate Organisation ([Paper N88](#)) seeking approval to the range of performance measures and outcomes proposed for use during the remainder of 2013/14, and responded to questions on matters raised in relation to the Appendix to the report, including the following:-

- Sources of data eg Suffolk Observatory – *Corporate Manager to provide further information in future reports*
- Gross Value Added (GVA) – *data not currently available, will be removed*
- Combined / separate totals – *clarification provided regarding percentages shown for collection of NDR, trade waste recycling/residual, collection of Council Tax*
- Average number of days sick per member of staff – *further details provided of sickness management arrangements and comparisons*
- Planning performance – *improvements will be reflected in January figures*
- Definition of target/predicted outcomes – *clarified*

RESOLVED

That the proposed range of performance measures and outcomes for reporting 2013/14 performance in January 2014 and June 2014 set out in the

Appendix to Paper N88, as amended by the deletion of the 'Gross Added Value' measure, be approved.

The business of the meeting was concluded at 11.10 a.m.

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Chairman

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