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The Chair and Members of Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

30 January 2017

Dear Councillor,

Please attend a meeting of the ENTERPRISE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE to be held on TUESDAY, 7 FEBRUARY 2017 at 5.00 pm in Committee Room 2, Town Hall, Rose Hill, Chesterfield, the agenda for which is set out below.

AGENDA

Part 1(Public Information)

- 1. Declarations of Members' And Officers' Interests Relating To Items On The Agenda
- 2. Apologies for Absence
- 3. Local Government Act 1972 Exclusion of Public

To move "That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972 the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act".

4. Cabinet Member for Customers and Communities - Careline Progress Report (Pages 5 - 12)

5:05pm to 5:30pm

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- 5. Local Government Act 1972 Re-admission of the Public
- 6. Cabinet Member for Health and Wellbeing (Pages 13 30)
 - Measuring the impact of housing conditions on health

5:30pm to 5:45pm

- Green Spaces and Allotments Strategy Progress Reports

5:45pm to 6:10pm

- 7. Scrutiny Project Group Progress Updates
 - Play Strategy SPG
 - Leisure, Sport and Cultural Activities SPG

6:10pm to 6:20pm

- 8. Scrutiny Monitoring (Pages 31 36)
 - Review of Water Rates Payment Policy SPG

6:20pm to 6:25pm

9. Forward Plan (Pages 37 - 38)

6:25pm to 6:30pm

10. Work Programme for the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee (Pages 39 - 44)

6:30pm to 6:35pm

11. Minutes (Pages 45 - 52)

6:35pm to 6:40pm

Yours sincerely,



Local Government and Regulatory Law Manager and Monitoring Officer

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By virtue of paragraph(s) 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

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Developing a Health and Wellbeing Strategy Page 13

Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum – 10.01.17 Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee – 07.02.17 Martin Key, Health & Wellbeing Manager

What is going to be covered this evening



- Health Inequalities
- Indices of multiple deprivation and health profile of Chesterfield
- Chesterfield Health and Wellbeing Partnership
- Health and Wellbeing Projects
- Partnership work, strategy and review of funding arrangements

What influences health?



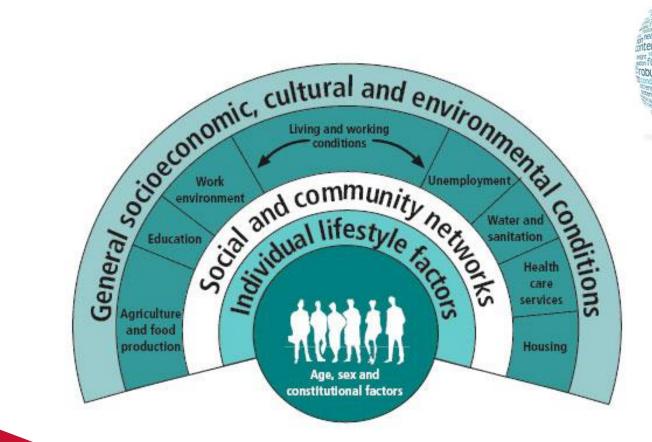
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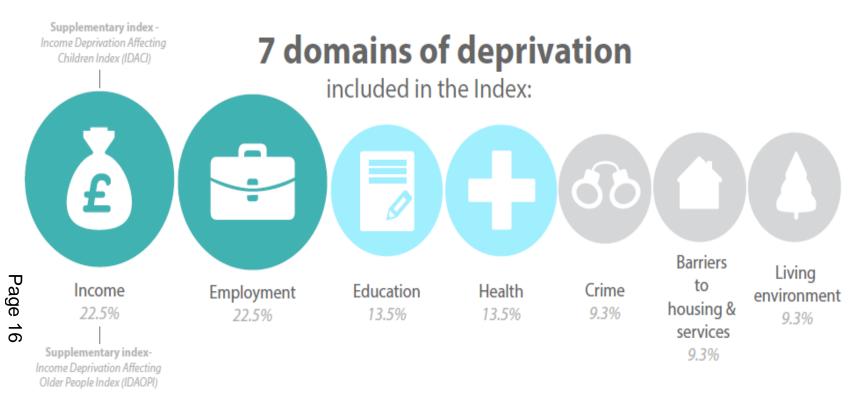
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Indices of Multiple Deprivation







- There are 326 English local authority districts included in the Indices of Multiple Deprivation.
- In 2015 Chesterfield was the 85th most deprived district (91st in 2010)



- England is divided into 32,844 Lower Layer Super Output Areas (LSOA's)
- 6 of Chesterfields 68 LSOA's fall within the top 10% of most deprived areas in England across all domains (5 in 2010)
- A further 14 LSOA's fall within the top 20% of most deprived areas (12 in 2010)

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Chesterfield Key Messages



- Entrenched and worsening deprivation in several Chesterfield neighbourhoods
- All six of the Chesterfield LSOAs in the 10%
- most deprived in 2015 have deteriorated since
 2010
 - Deprivation inequality has risen those within the 10% least deprived have improved and the 10% most deprived deteriorating.

Chesterfield Key Messages

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 Health and disability is a major concern for Chesterfield borough. The Borough is ranked the 25th most deprived in England for this domain and half of the LSOAs fall within the 20% most deprived within England.

Health Profile

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- About 21% (3,700) of children live in low income families.
- Life expectancy is 10.0 years lower for men and
 - 8.4 years lower for women in the most deprived
- areas compared to the least deprived areas.
- In Year 6, 19.8% (192) of children are classified as obese.

Health Profile



The following are significantly worse than the England average

- The rate of alcohol-related harm hospital stays
- The rate of self-harm hospital stays
- The rate of smoking related deaths
- Estimated levels of adult excess weight
 - The rate of hip fractures
 - The rate of early deaths from cardiovascular diseases

How to drive improvements?

- Strategic Partnerships
- Medium to long term
- **Population level change**
- Population is very based action
 Develop community based action
 - Targeted approach
 - Sustainable
 - Embedded in all council actions





Strategy Development



- Must fit within existing health and wellbeing policies and those of partners
- Council plan priority to improve the quality of life for local people
- To improve the health and well-being of people in Chesterfield Borough
 - To reduce inequality and support the more vulnerable members of our communities

Chesterfield Health and



Wellbeing Partnership Priorities

- Five priorities, which align with the Derbyshire Health and Wellbeing Board priorities and other local partner priorities, have been outlined:
- Social Capital
 - Financial Inclusion
 - Mental Health and Wellbeing
 - Healthy Lifestyles
 - People

Existing Health and Wellbeing Groups



- Derbyshire Health & Wellbeing Board
- Chesterfield Health & Wellbeing Partnership
- Planning & Health Group
- Strategic Health Group (NEDDC & BDC)
- STP Place Group
 - Locality Childrens Partnership
 - Community Safety Partnership

Marmot Review 2010

- A. Give every child the best start in life
- B. Enable all children, young people and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives
- C. Create fair employment and good work for all
- Page 27 D. Ensure healthy standard of living for all
 - E. Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities
 - F. Strengthen the role and impact of ill health prevention



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Key areas of activity



- Partnerships DCC public health, CCG (STP) and Place (includes DCC social care) – shared objectives
- Community-led actions
- Co-commissioning of services (VCS funding)
- Obesity initial focus on schools partnering
- Inactivity build on Press Red work, Sports England
- Inactivity build
 Falls prevention
 - Alcohol use licensing powers, focus on key groups, work with CSP, police and PCC
 - Health In All Policies



Next Steps

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- Continue to strengthen partnerships
- Health In All Policies is an approach to public policies that systematically takes into account the health implications of decisions, seeks synergies, and avoids harmful health impacts in order to improve population health and health equity.
- Core Health & Wellbeing internal Strategy group to develop key work areas



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SCRUTINY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS - IMPLEMENTATION MONITORING SCHEDULE

Ref No	Item (Scrutiny Issue or Topic. SPG = Scrutiny Project Group work)	Decision Dates (Scrutiny Committee, Cabinet, Council & its Committees)	Scrutiny Committee Recommendations and/or Decision making body resolution (italics = Agreed by Scrutiny Committee but not yet considered by decision making body) *	Completion Date for Actions	Action / Response Completed	Further Action Required by Scrutiny (6 monthly progress reports)
0 P Page 31	Services Fees and Charges Concessions	OPS 08.12.15. Cabinet 12.01.16.	 Appointed 16.06.15, Scope approved 8.09.15. SPG report approved 08.12.15. Cabinet approved 12.01.16 providing officers present reports on the financial impact to Cabinet for consideration before implementation. 1. Concessions made should be part of a pricing approach which ensures that total costs are covered. 2. Concessions made on bulky waste and pest control reduced from 50% to 20%. 3. The cost of providing concessions is offset from charges made on popoular services. 4. Leisure and theratres to have freedom to vary concessionary rates. 5. Services should know the unit cost of service provision. 6. Not publishing lists of all concession categories, services just to advise concessions available. 	6 months from 12.01.16	Progress report received 06.09.16.	Next progress due 10.1.17, evaluation of SPG requested and confirmation that all recommendations are resolved. Agreed as completed by OPSF 10.01.17

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			 7. Entitlement to concessions should be checked when they are given. 8. Categories updated to include universal credit housing/no earned income. 9. Review of categories of concession offered by leisure. 10. Concessions not offered on criteria of being 60 or over. 			
EW6 Page 32	Dog Fouling	EW 05.02.15 Cabinet 10.03.15	 Review of staff resources – enforcement team. Realise potential of neighbourhood wardens. Purchase new mobile phones for street scene team. Borough wide review of provision of dog bins. Change signage wording re fine limit / introduce more innovative imagery for signs. Introduce co-ordinated and structured communication and engagement with communities. 	6 month progress report	Progress report received 02.02.16.	Agreed as completed by EW 04.10.16.
EW5	New Leisure Facilities	EW 05.06.14	 Consider Community Engagement Strategy principles throughout 	6 month progress	CCO agreed 24.11.15 to	Next CCO2 - corporate
&	(SPG) (now	Cabinet	corporate projects.	report	monitor corporate	progress report

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CCO2 Page 33	Leisure, Sport and Cultural Activities SPG including various sub groups)	23.09.14	 Pre consultation dialogue takes place with key stakeholders. Internal communications and engagement plan be developed for projects impacting on employees. 		progress following next major consultation exercise. EW Progress report received 23.04.15. SPG to attend meeting with Leisure Centre Build Programme Board to sign off the Phase 1 work.	TBA. Next EW5 leisure progress report TBA.
OP5	ICT Develop- ments (under Great Place, Great Service)	OP 10.09.14 Cabinet 02.12.14	The Council recognises and values the varied and specialist knowledge required to support its ICT needs and requirements and that a sum of money equivalent to one full time equivalent post is put aside for this purpose.	6 month progress report.	Progress received 14.06.16 - OP resolved to reword recommendation. Rewording agreed OP on 10.11.15. Progress received 14.6.16.	Monitoring next due 10.01.17 Agreed as completed by OPSF 10.01.17
OP4	Review into External Communica- tions (SPG)	OP 19.06.14 Cabinet 29.07.14	 Adopt clear branding Review marketing / communication activities. Introduce use of analytics. Adopt a 'digital first' approach. 	6 month progress report	Progress report received 14.06.16.	Monitoring next due 10.01.17 Agreed as completed by OPSF 10.01.17

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EW4	Hackney Carriage Licence Limit (SPG)	EW 16.01.14 Appeals & Regulatory Ctte on 12.02.14	 Produce clear comparison survey by taxi rank. 	6 month progress report.	Information circulated 30.12.14. Progress provided to EW on 28.7.15 and 6.10.15. 02.08.16 Progress report provided, Progress report provided 06.12.16 on survey.	Agreed as completed by EW 06.12.16.
Page 34	Review of Water Rates Payment Policy (SPG)	16.01.14 and 05.06.14. Cabinet 29.07.14.	 Provide 6 month update on collection process and technology review. Provide update when contract signed and again after 1 year. Support review of Tenant's information. Provide 6 month update on number of evictions for water rates. Amend Policy wording. 	6 months	Further SPG review / recom- mendations approved 29.07.14. Progress requested EW on 18.12.14and sent 28.01.15. Progress received EW on 28.7.15 and 6.10.15. Agreed monitoring complete subject	Monitoring TBA to receive information regarding responsibility for contract management and monitoring.

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					to specific info. being provided.	
CCO1 Page	Statutory Crime & Disorder Scrutiny Ctte			6 monthly meetings		Next 6 monthly meeting due 21.03.17
ge 35	а а	29/09/11 (No 0044)	Progress report on sharing information re alcohol related health problems and hospital admissions.	6 monthly wef 29/09/11.	Statistics requested for each 6 monthly meeting	Agreed on 08.01.15 that statistics on alcohol related health problems / hospital admissions be reported to each 6 monthly meeting.
	а а	08.01.15 (No 35)	That the Executive Member for Environment be recommended to carry out a review of the decision to stop locking the park gates at night and to consider whether this may have led to the increase in anti-social behaviour and criminal damage and all the associated costs; and That the Crime and Disorder (Community, Customer and Organisation) Committee be provided with the details of the outcome of the	Report requested for 24.11.15 Meeting	Cabinet Member attended and responded to CCO meeting held on 07.07.15. Progress reported 15.09.15 and 24.11.15 (CCO requested account be taken of its	Date for next progress monitoring report TBC.

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			review and the cost benefit analysis.		views in the final executive decision.			
Commit	Abbreviations Key : OP = Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum. CCO = Community, Customer and Organisational Development Scrutiny Committee. EW = Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee). TBA (to be agreed). * Note recommendation wording may be abridged.							

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Please click on the link below to access the Forward Plan:

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WORK PROGRAMME: ENTERPRISE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE on 6 December, 2016

		Scrutiny Committee Date:	Business Item :	Status :	Raised by :	Cabinet Member Responsibility
Page 39	1	07.02.17	STAR Survey	Report received 12.02.15. Referred to EW by O&P 16.06.15. Proposed for EW consideration on 02.02.16. Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – O&P 10.05.16. Report received 07.06.16. Agreed on 07.06.06 that Cllr Perkins as the Scrutiny representative on the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan working group, feedback any developments to the committee regarding the STAR and the measuring of the impact of housing improvements on the health and wellbeing	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Housing
				of tenants (under Corporate Working Groups item on agenda).		
	2	07.02.17	Health and Wellbeing	New Health and Wellbeing Manager invited to introduce his role and priorities for co-ordinating the council's approach to health and wellbeing. Request by EW on 04.10.16 to invite to pre-agenda on 14.11.16.	E&W	Health and Wellbeing

		Scrutiny				Cabinet
		Committee Date:	Business Item :	Status :	Raised by :	Member Responsibility
				Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – EW 2.8.16.		
Page 40	3	07.02.17	Careline	Report received 02.06.15. Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – O&P 10.05.16. Report received 07.06.16.	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Housing
	4	07.02.17	Green Spaces	Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – O&P 10.05.16. Report received 02.08.16. Further progress requested prior to further reports being submitted to Cabinet.	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Health and Wellbeing
				Scrutiny Project Groups (SPG) :		
	5	Every meeting	Play Strategy	Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – O&P 10.05.16. SPG scope and brief approved by EW 2.8.16.	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Health and Wellbeing
	6	Every meeting	Leisure, Sport & Cultural Activities	Nearing completion pending receipt of final contractor documentation.	EW	Health and Wellbeing

		Scrutiny Committee Date:	Business Item :	Status :	Raised by :	Cabinet Member Responsibility
				Corporate Working Groups:		
	7	Every meeting	Housing Revenue Account Business Plan Steering Group	Progress update received 04.10.16. Update requested after next group meeting.	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Housing
P			lte	ems Pending Reschedule or Removal:		
Page 41	8	TBC	Apprentice Town	Agreed at EW meeting on 02.08.16 to invite the Economic Growth Manager to provide an update at October meeting. Update received 04.10.16 and a further update requested at a date TBC.	EW 02.08.16	Leader/ Regeneration
	9	ТВС	Northern Gateway	Agreed at EW meeting on 02.08.16 to invite the Economic Growth Manager to provide an update at October meeting. Update received 04.10.16.	EW 02.08.16	Leader/ Regeneration
	10	TBC	Allotments Strategy	Last progress report received 05.02.15. Progress received under Green Spaces item at EW on 02.08.16. Agreed at 04.10.16 EW meeting to discuss with new Health and Wellbeing Manager at pre-agenda on 14.11.16.	E&W and Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Health and Wellbeing

		Scrutiny Committee Date:	Business Item :	Status :	Raised by :	Cabinet Member Responsibility			
	11	TBC	Future of old Queens Park Leisure Centre	Progress report received 02.08.16 and update on public consultation received 04.10.16 and 06.12.16 Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – O&P 10.05.16.	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Health and Wellbeing / Town Centre and Visitor Economy			
Page 42	12	TBC	Housing Policy / HRA Business Plan	Report on HRA Business Plan received 06.12.16. Included recommendations from Steering group that were to be made to Cabinet. Agreed to include on Scrutiny Work Programme – O&P 10.05.16. Report from steering group received 04.10.16. Requested report back to EW after next steering group meeting.	Scrutiny Work Programme Action Planning – April 2016	Housing			
	New Business Items Proposed:								
	13	TBC	HS2	Suggested by Economic Growth Manager at EW Pre-agenda on 16.09.16.	Economic Growth Manager at pre- agenda on 16.09.16	Leader			

Note: Items for monitoring (from scrutiny reviews and/or recommendations) are not included above but are listed in the Scrutiny Monitoring Form a separate item on the agenda. Items from the Forward Plan and Scrutiny Monitoring Form can be included in the work programme.[KEY to abbreviations : O&P = Overview and Performance Scrutiny Forum. CCO = Community, Customer and Organisational Development Scrutiny Committee. E&W = Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee. TBC = to be confirmed. KD = Forward Plan Key Decision] (Next meeting date is 07.02.17).

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Agenda Item 11 E&WBSC 06.12.16

ENTERPRISE AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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Tuesday, 6th December, 2016

Present:-

Councillor P Gilby (Chair)

Councillors Perkins Callan Dyke Councillors

Catt Sarvent V Diouf

Bellamy +++ Serjeant ++

Alison Craig, Housing Manager + Anita Cunningham, Policy and Scrutiny Officer Trevor Durham, Licensing Manager +++ Martin Elliott, Committee and Scrutiny Coordinator Michael Rich, Executive Director ++

- + Attended for Minute No.38
- ++ Attended for Minute No.39
- +++ Attended for Minute No.41

36 DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' AND OFFICERS' INTERESTS RELATING TO ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

No declarations were received.

37 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Derbyshire.

38 <u>CABINET MEMBER FOR HOUSING - PROGRESS REPORT ON</u> HOUSING POLICY AND THE HOUSING REVENUE ACCOUNT BUSINESS PLAN

The Housing Manager attended to provide a progress report on Housing Policy and the development of the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan.

The Housing Manager advised that all the policies that had been announced in the 2015 Summer Budget including the reduction in social housing rents by 1% for 4

years, the freeze on working age benefits including the Local Housing Allowance, and the requirement on local authority housing providers to dispose of higher value assets, had now been enacted. It was noted however that the "Pay to Stay" policy where households with an income over £31,000 would have to pay market, or near market rent, with difference to the social rent being returned to Treasury, had now been made discretionary.

The Housing Manager reiterated that despite the self-financing arrangement that had begun in 2012 these changes would have a significant impact on the delivery of housing services in Chesterfield and the financial viability of the HRA Business Plan. These changes had created a situation where there had had to be a fundamental look at how the Business Plan would be managed in the future to ensure that it remained both sustainable and financially viable. In order to facilitate the review of the HRA Business Plan a steering group had been established in order to look at, and find ways, to fill revenue gaps in the HRA and to put forward a revised business plan. The steering group was comprised of Officers and Members including Councillor Perkins as the Scrutiny representative, with Councillor T Murphy the Cabinet Member for Housing, Chairing the meetings. The steering group had also been working in conjunction with the tenants sub-group.

The Housing Manager outlined the full list of recommendations that the steering group would be recommending to Cabinet for inclusion in the HRA Business Plan. These included:

Rents and Recovery

- Moving to a 52 week rent year and removing 'rent free' weeks to match universal credit payments and also to encourage a regular payment culture.
- Encouraging tenants in receipt of universal credit to arrange direct payment to landlord to prevent them from falling into arrears.

Voids and Lettings

- Decorating and carpeting difficult to let properties, instead of issuing decorating vouchers to make the properties more appealing to potential tenants.
- Marketing properties via Rightmove/Zoopla/Social Media/ Voluntary Sector in order to compete with the private rented sector and to encourage applications from working tenants who may have not previously considered council housing.
- Leasing blocks of flats to other local authorities with full maintenance responsibilities.

Repairs and Maintenance

- Reviewing tenant repairing obligations e.g. Tenants taking more responsibility for own repairs and damage.
- Charging tenants where they fail to keep an appointment for a repair.

The proposals had been created after a high level of tenant involvement and consultation and it was noted that many of the more difficult and challenging proposals

had been suggested by tenants. The Housing Manager emphasised that all the financial assumptions used in drafting the new HRA Business Plan, as well as all the mitigating measures proposed needed to be realised in order for the HRA Business Plan to be viable into the future.

Members asked several questions about the proposals and areas for savings including how much was being spent on "responsive repairs" by the council. The Housing Manager advised that the current cost of responsive repairs was around £1000 for each property each year. This figure was well above the amount spent on responsive repairs by other authorities and as there needed to be £1.5 million saved from the repairs budget over the next three years responsive repairs was a key area for savings to be realised. Members also asked about the introduction of fixed term tenancies. The Housing Manager advised that fixed term tenancies had previously been discretionary but were now mandatory, however the legislation stated that the length of a fixed term was "up to 10 years" so there was some flexibility in how fixed term tenancies were implemented.

The Housing Manager also provided details to the committee regarding the recent meeting between the Leader, the Cabinet Member for Housing and the Housing Manager with the Housing Minister in Westminster which had been arranged by Chesterfield MP, Toby Perkins. Members thanked the Housing Manager for attending to provide the progress report and for answering their questions.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the progress report be noted.
- 2. That Chesterfield MP, Toby Perkins be thanked for arranging the meeting of the Leader, the Cabinet Member for Housing and the Housing Manager with the Housing Minister.
- 3. That the recommendations to Cabinet made by the Steering Group for inclusion in the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan regarding Rents and Rent Recovery, Voids and Lettings and Repairs and Maintenance, be supported.
- 4. That any further comments or questions from members regarding the recommendation made by the steering group be directed to Councillor Perkins as the Scrutiny Committee's representative on the steering group.
- 5. That further progress reports on Housing Policy and the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan be brought to the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee as required.

39 <u>CABINET MEMBER FOR TOWN CENTRE AND VISITOR ECONOMY -</u> <u>PROGRESS REPORT ON THE CONSULTATION ON THE FUTURE</u> <u>OF THE OLD QUEEN'S PARK SPORTS CENTRE</u>

The Cabinet Member for Town Centre and Visitor Economy and Executive Director, Michael Rich, attended to provide a progress report on the consultation on the future use of the site of the former Queen's Park Sports Centre. The Executive Director advised that a contractor had been appointed for the demolition of the old sports centre and that work would begin in January, 2017 taking 12 weeks to complete.

The public consultation on the future use for the site of the former Queen's Park Sports Centre had taken place between 12 September and 23 October and had received 583 responses. A full report on the consultation responses had been produced and published on the council's website. The Executive Director provided an overview of the consultation process, the principles which had been used when considering potential uses for the site, and of the responses received to the consultation. The Executive Director advised that research had been carried out prior to the consultation on the potential demand for the council's preferred option of 3G sports pitches which had shown that there was a demand for such a facility in the area. The consultation process had shown that while respondents had suggested a wide and diverse range of other potential uses for the site, they had been broadly supportive of the principles that had informed the council's preferred option of 3G sports pitches.

The consultation had shown that an ice rink on the site was a popular alternative use; however advice sought in advance of the consultation process had shown that a standalone ice rink, even if it were to be delivered using a low-cost design solution, would struggle to be financially self-sustaining. This was due to amongst other factors, it having an overlapping catchment area for users with other local ice rinks in Sheffield, Doncaster and Sutton-in-Ashfield.

The Executive Director outlined the next steps of the process in the making of the decision on the new use of the former sports centre site and advised that a decision in principle for the use of the site would be made by Cabinet on 24 January, 2017. The Cabinet Member for Town Centre and Visitor Economy stressed the importance of stakeholder engagement in the planning and development processes for any future facilities on the site.

Members asked if consideration had been given to any spectator facilities for the 3G pitches. The Executive Director noted that any space for spectators could be limited, but did advise that this issue could be looked at further during consultation on any agreed proposals. Members also asked whether consideration would be given to implementing any of the other ideas received during the consultation as it appeared that the option to install 3G pitches was being heavily favoured by the council. The Executive Director advised that none of the other suggestions received met all of the criteria set out for the use of the site. However consideration would be given to see if some of the other ideas could be looked at for implementation elsewhere in the park. The Cabinet Member for Town Centre and Visitor Economy noted that the council's Playing Pitch Strategy had identified a shortfall of smaller playing pitches in the Borough, and that it was these types of pitches that were being considered for the site in order to meet the identified need. The Cabinet Member also noted that it was important that any solution proposed for the site was able to pay back the investment made quickly, which the 3G pitches were able to do.

Members noted that 52.7% of the responses received had been from women and asked whether in depth analysis of the data received from the consultation had been made to see if the option of 3G pitches was supported by all sections of the community. Members saw it as essential that any proposed development of the site must be based on evidence of a broad appeal to, and with the support of, the local community. The Executive Director advised that further analysis of the data could be made to look at how different genders and age groups had responded to the consultation. Members asked whether the "footprint" of the proposed 3G pitches would be the same as the old sports centre and also whether any consideration had been given to increasing or reducing the size of the car parks on the site. The Executive Director advised that the demand for any pitches would be further assessed and that nothing had been discounted at this stage.

Members thanked Cabinet Member for Town Centre and Visitor Economy and Executive Director, Michael Rich for attending to provide the progress report and for answering their questions. Councillors Sarvent and Catt were also thanked as proposed Scrutiny Project Group Leads for their comments, and members were also pleased to see the building demolition works moving forwards.

RESOLVED -

- **1.** That the progress report be noted.
- 2. That the Chair, Vice-Chair and Councillors Catt and Sarvent, meet with the Cabinet Member for Town Centre and Visitor Economy, and Executive Director Michael Rich in January, 2017 to further discuss the consultation.
- **3.** That members would like to see comments from external bodies in relation to the proposals early, such as from Historic England.
- **4.** That further progress reports on the consultation on, and the future use of the site of the former Queen's Park Sports Centre be brought to the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee as required.

40 CORPORATE WORKING GROUPS

Councillor Perkins provided an update from the meetings of the Housing Revenue Account Business Plan steering group.

Councillor Perkins noted that the group's main objective was to look at ways to address the revenue gaps in the HRA and to put forward a revised business plan. As a consequence of this priority task there had not yet been an opportunity to consider, possibly through the Survey of Tenants and Residents (STAR), the measuring of the impact of housing improvements on health. Councillor Perkins noted that the Health and Wellbeing Manager will be attending the February, 2017 meeting of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee to discuss his priorities for coordinating the council's approach to health and wellbeing and that this would provide an opportunity

RESOLVED –

That the progress report be noted and the matter of monitoring the impact of housing improvements on health be raised with the Health and Wellbeing Manager for discussion at the next meeting.

41 SCRUTINY MONITORING

The Committee considered an update on the implementation of approved Scrutiny recommendations.

Councillor Bellamy, Chair of the Appeals and Regulatory Committee and the Licensing Manager attended to provide a progress report on the Hackney Carriage Licence Unmet Demand Survey. In 2010, a survey had been carried out which had resulted in the Appeals and Regulatory Committee limiting the number of hackney carriages licensed by the Council. A further unmet demand survey took place in 2013 and in February 2014 where the Appeals and Regulatory decided to maintain the limit at 110 hackneys and asked that a further survey would be undertaken after a period of three years. The Licensing Manager provided an overview of the report's findings which had shown that there was currently no unmet demand for Hackney Carriages in the Borough. After considering the survey results the Appeals and Regulatory Committee had subsequently resolved at its meeting on 30 November, 2016 that the limit of 110 Hackney Carriage licences should be retained.

Members thanked Councillor Bellamy and the Licensing Manager for attending and for providing the progress updates on the committee's recommendations.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the monitoring report be approved.
- 2. That the Hackney Carriages Licence Limit item (EW4), be removed from the monitoring schedule as the committee was satisfied that its recommendation had now been fully implemented.

42 FORWARD PLAN

The Forward Plan was considered.

RESOLVED –

That the Forward Plan be noted.

43 SCRUTINY PROJECT GROUPS

Councillor Derbyshire, project group Lead Member for the Play Strategy Scrutiny Project Group, was unable to attend the meeting; the Councillor Gilby as Chair updated Members in her absence. The Principal Green Spaces Officer had been unavoidably off work recently so the production of the draft strategy had been delayed; it was however noted that the Principal Green Spaces Officer would be back at work soon. Councillor Gilby noted that documentation had been circulated to the project group members with regard to the development of the strategy which had asked for their comments and input.

Councillor Gilby, project group Lead Member for the Sport and Cultural Activities Scrutiny Project Group, provided members of the committee with a progress report on the group's work. The final task for the project group was to review and monitor the final sign-off with the contractor. Councillor Gilby advised that the last remaining aspects regarding the sign off with the contractor of the new Queen's Park Sports Centre had now been agreed with the council and that early in the new year project group members would be meeting with the both the new build project board as well as the contractor. Councillor Gilby advised that details regarding this meeting would be brought to the committee at the earliest opportunity.

RESOLVED –

That the progress reports on the Scrutiny Project Groups be noted.

44 WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee considered its Work Programme.

RESOLVED –

- 1. That the Work Programme be approved.
- 2. To confirm that the Health and Wellbeing Manager will be attending the February, 2017 meeting of the Enterprise and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee in order for the committee to receive further information about his role and his priorities for coordinating the council's approach to health and wellbeing.
- That the Committee and Scrutiny Coordinator pursues the possibility of members receiving the agendas and minutes from the HS2 Staveley Depot board to bring them up to date with current developments around HS2 and their impact on Chesterfield and surrounding areas.

45 <u>MINUTES</u>

The Minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on 4 October, 2016 were presented.

RESOLVED –

That the Minutes be accepted as a correct record and be signed by the Chair.