

# COMMUNITIES AND PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

## Committee Decisions Statement

Meeting: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2017

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Item	Topic	Decision
	<b><u>CONSTITUTIONAL MATTERS</u></b>	
1.	<b>Notification of Chairman/woman and Vice-Chairman/woman</b>	It was resolved to note that Council had appointed Councillor Criswell as the Chairman and Councillor Cuffley as the Vice-Chairman for the municipal year 2017-18.
2.	<b>Apologies for absence and Declarations of Interest</b>	Apologies were presented on behalf of Councillor Ian Manning.  There were no declarations of interest.
3.	<b>Petitions and Public Questions</b>	None received
4.	<b>Communities and Partnership Committee Terms of Reference</b>	It was resolved to:  a) To consider the Terms of Reference set out as Appendix One.  <b>b) Not recommend any changes at the current time.</b>
5.	<b>Innovation Fund Refresh</b>	It was resolved to:  a) To agree to the plans to refresh the Innovation Fund as set out in Paragraph 2.3 of the officers' report.

		<p>b) That the Committee Chairman and Vice Chairman be appointed to the Bid Assessment Panel.</p> <p>c) That recommendations on grants from the Bid Assessment Panel are reported to this Committee for final decision.</p>
6.	<b>Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Partnership</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>a) Agree to hold a Member Seminar on domestic abuse and sexual violence in order to further help raise awareness.</p> <p>b) Agree to receive a revised Joint Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Strategy with recommended commissioning priorities at one of the autumn meetings of the Committee.</p>
7.	<b>Community Resilience Strategy and Delivery Plan</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>a) note the achievements to date with the delivery of ‘Stronger Together’ Cambridgeshire County Council’s Strategy for Building Resilient Communities.</p> <p>b) agree the following priorities for the future delivery of this Strategy:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of locality networks</li> <li>• Undertake closer partnership working with Town and Parish councils</li> <li>• Investigate further ways of improving the communication of support information to local communities.</li> </ul>
8.	<b>Town and Parish Council Survey and Improvement Plan</b>	<p>It was resolved to:</p> <p>a) To consider and note the findings of the survey and the Implications for Cambridgeshire County Council</p>

		<p><b>b) Key actions to be part of the Improvement Plan to include:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Improving training to parish councillors regarding their powers and duties</li> <li>• Reviewing job descriptions of parish clerks to ensure their relevance with current requirements / expectations of the role</li> <li>• Improving the training provided to parish clerks regarding current requirements / expectations of the role</li> <li>• Considering how we support younger parish councillors to retain their enthusiasm and commitment.</li> <li>• Encouraging parishes to become involved with volunteer and service provider locality networks</li> </ul> <p><b>c) The proposed Improvement Plan to be received at the September Committee.</b></p>
9.	<b>Cambridgeshire County Council Approach to public consultation on the Business Plan and other key Decisions</b>	<p>Having provided initial consideration of the consultation options outlined</p> <p>It was resolved to:</p> <p><b>a) To note and endorse the consultation options approach for the 2018-19 Business Plan outlined in paragraph 6.3 of the report.</b></p> <p><b>b) For the longer term consideration being given:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To Members involvement in the review of the content / questions of proposed draft consultation documents.</li> <li>• To seek to develop more joint consultations/ surveys with the Council's partners.</li> <li>• To use Service surveys as an initial means of obtaining people's views on what they considered were the priorities before undertaking second stage, wider consultation on the Council's Business Plan.</li> </ul>
10.	<b>Suggestions for Additional Training</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To use the workshop in August (before the main Committee) to discuss developing the role of area champions.</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Investigating further holding a member seminar to help Members obtain a better understanding mental health issues</li> <li>• Information request for officers to investigate for one member whether any Lithuanian language classes were held in the County.</li> </ul>
11.	<b>Agenda Plan</b>	Noted
12.	<b>Date of Next Meeting 24<sup>th</sup> August</b>	Member only workshop 9.30 a.m. to 11a.m. Committee meeting to commence from 11a.m.

**Notes:**

(a) Statements in bold type indicate additional resolutions made at the meeting.

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