

PLACE POLICY DEVELOPMENT GROUP

MEETING, 28TH FEBRUARY, 2019

Present – Councillors Abdullah (Chairman), Haslam (Vice-Chairman), Adia, Chadwick, Cunningham (as deputy for Councillor Gibbon), Darvesh, Gillies (as deputy for Councillor Peel), Kirk-Robinson (as deputy for Councillor Hewitt), Pattison, J. Walsh and Wilkinson.

Officers

Mr. G. Brough	Interim Director of Place
Mr. J. Morrissey	Assistant Director Policy, Projects and Public Sector Reform
Mrs. V. Ridge	Democratic Services Manager

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors Gibbon, Hewitt and Peel.

Councillor Abdullah in the Chair

12. MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting held on 12th December, 2018 were submitted and signed as a correct record.

13. CORPORATE PROPERTY SERVICES – UPDATE

The Director of Place gave a presentation which provided an update in relation to the new arrangements for Corporate Property Services which was due to go live on or around 1st April, 2019.

Information was provided in relation to the following, viz:-

- the current status of Corporate Property Services;
- the work which had been already been completed/underway;
- the challenges which the service had faced over the past few years which had resulted in the service being almost entirely reactive rather than planned;
- issues around capacity and skills;
- the need to align finances;
- the need for a strategic approach;
- lack of information to support decisions;

- other issues;
- the new operating model which centred around a Planned Preventative Maintenance approach;
- the difference between the current provision and the new arrangements; and
- additional benefits from the new arrangements.

Following the presentation, members made the following comments/observations:-

- the rationale for outsourcing the service as opposed to continuing as an in house provider;
- the management and monitoring of social values;
- the maintenance of assets which had been leased to community groups;
- the position at the end of the contract.

It was agreed that the presentation be noted and a copy be circulated to members of the Policy Development Group.

(The meeting started at 6.00 p.m. and finished at 6.55 p.m.)