



Minutes of the Partnership for Urban South Hampshire (PUSH) Overview and Scrutiny Committee

*Minutes of a meeting held on 10 April 2018
in the Vannes and Pulheim Rooms, Civic Offices, Fareham*

Members:

Paul Buckley (Chairman)
Alan Glass (Vice-Chairman)
Diane Furlong
Bruce Tennent
Ian Ward
Linda Gemmell

Authority represented:

Havant BC
New Forest DC
Gosport BC
Eastleigh CC
Isle of Wight Council
Winchester CC

**Also in
attendance:**

Paddy May
Jo Knight

PUSH
Southampton City Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND CHANGES IN OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Apologies for absence were received from:

Councillor Malcolm Johnson, East Hants DC,
Councillor John Ferrett, Portsmouth CC;
Councillor Arthur Mandry, Fareham BC;
Councillor Ray Bolton, Hampshire County Council; and
Councillor Phil Bundy, Test Valley BC

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the meeting of the PUSH Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 19 December 2017, be confirmed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements made at this meeting.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no interests declared at the meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at the meeting.

6. PUSH CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a report from the PUSH co-ordinator on matters that are significant, but did not justify a full report in their own right.

RESOLVED that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee NOTES the matters for information outlined in Part B of this report.

7. CAPITAL AND REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2017/18 AND PROPOSED INTERIM REVENUE BUDGET 2018/19

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee received an overview from Jo Knight on the Capital and Revenue Budget Monitoring 2017/18 report which outlined progress to date against the revenue and capital programmes, including a forecast outturn for the current financial year. The report also noted the proposed interim revenue budget for 2018/19.

RESOLVED that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

1. NOTES the spend for the year to date against the capital and revenue budgets for 2017/18, as set out in the report at tabled 2 and 3;
2. NOTES that the Joint Committee approved the carry forward of £94,000 to 2018/19 for the following forecast revenue budget underspends in 2017/18:
 - Planning and Infrastructure: £50,000
 - Energy and Green Economy: £44,000
3. NOTES that the forecast underspend to be carried forward from the 2017/18 budgets into 2018/19 is provisional, and may be subject to change when the final outturn position for 2017/18 is known; and
4. NOTES that the Joint Committee approved the interim revenue budget for 2018/19, as set out in the report at table 4.

8. PROPOSAL FOR INNOVATIVE ENERGY PROJECTS

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee received a report which set out two projects which have recently come forward to seek the view of the Joint Committee as to whether they should be supported. Previously £44,000 of funding had been allocated to support energy feasibility across the PUSH region and this has now been superseded by the LEP work and this monetary allocation was unspent.

RESOLVED that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

1. NOTES the potential projects and their benefits;
2. NOTES that the Joint Committee, subject to compatibility with the LEP's Energy Strategy, approved £30,000 of the £44,000 funding allocation is to be carried forward to support these new work streams; and
3. NOTES that the Joint Committee approved that this amount is to be split between the two projects so that feasibility can be carried out to assess the business case to deliver schemes.

9. HAMPSHIRE COMMUNITY BANK

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee received an overview from Paddy May on the presentation which had been delivered to the Joint Committee by Professor Richard Werner from Local First in respect of the Hampshire Community Bank.

RESOLVED that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee NOTES that the Joint Committee received this presentation.

10. SOUTH HAMPSHIRE INTEGRATED WATER MANAGEMENT STUDY

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee received an overview from Paddy May of the report and presentation which was delivered to the Joint Committee at their last meeting.

This outlined the updated Integrated Water Management Study which has now been completed and the final version which incorporates amendments to address previous outstanding issues raised by Natural England and the Environment Agency. It provides a framework to guide future Local Plans and there is a need for a commitment to continued collective joint action to resolve outstanding issues.

The Committee were advised that the Joint Committee had deferred making a resolution on this item at their last meeting due to concerns in respect of the Action Plan. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee Members expressed concern with some of the findings of the study and asked that the Joint Committee be made aware of their concerns and that they welcome the Joint Committee asking for further assurances before making a decision.

RESOLVED that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee NOTES that the Joint Committee deferred this item until the 05 June 2018 Joint Committee meeting.

(The meeting started at 6:05pm and ended at 6.58pm)