



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

*Minutes of a meeting held on 19 November 2013
in the Vannes/Pulheim Room, Civic Offices, Fareham*

Members:

Authority represented:

Councillors David Goodall (Chairman)
Arthur Mandry (Vice-Chairman)

Eastleigh BC
Fareham BC

Councillors David Evans
Cllr L Gemmell
Cllr A Glass

East Hampshire DC
Winchester CC
New Forest DC

Also in

Attendance: Gloria Ighodaro

PUSH

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND CHANGES IN OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MEMBERSHIP (IF ANY)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor A Vinson (Southampton City Council), Councillor Robert Forder (Gosport Borough Council), Councillor Graham Burgess (Hampshire County Council), Councillor P Bundy (Test Valley Borough Council) and Councillor I Ward (Isle of Wight Council).

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the PUSH Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10 September 2013, be confirmed and signed as a correct record (copy of minutes circulated with the agenda).

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements given at the meeting.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no interests declared at the meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at the meeting.

6. INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Committee received a report from the PUSH Programme & Information Manager (acting up as Interim Executive Director), on matters that are not covered on the main agenda (copy of report 6 circulated with the agenda).

It was RECOMMENDED that the Committee:

1. NOTE the joint committee's approval in principle to identify a shared staffing resource between PUSH and the Solent LEP to help formulate the Solent Growth Strategy and on this basis note the delegated responsibility to the PUSH Chief Executive Lead following consultation with the PUSH Chairman and Vice Chairman to prepare a proposal agreeable to both parties for action accordingly.
2. NOTE the approval of PUSH's Solent LTB contribution for financial year 2013/14 as part of the PUSH Budget Monitoring report due to be considered at this meeting.
3. NOTE the matters for information, contained in Part B of the report.
4. Request that PUSH confirm the mechanism of how the Solent LEP is making themselves known to the business community of South Hampshire.

7. 2011 CENSUS FOR THE PUSH AREA

The Chairman agreed to bring this item forward on the agenda.

The Joint Committee received a presentation by Hampshire County Council Officers on the 2011 Census for the PUSH area and a summary report showcasing the headline findings. A copy of the presentation will be sent to all Committee members.

8. PUSH BUDGET MONITORING REPORT

The Committee received a report on the Capital & Revenue Financial Outturn for 2012/13 and the Capital & Revenue Budget for 2013/14 (copy of report 7 circulated with the agenda)

It was RECOMMENDED that the Committee:-

1. NOTE the revised capital and revenue budgets for 2013/14 as set out in the report, and NOTE the spend for the year to date.
2. NOTE the £10K contribution for financial year 2013/14 from PUSH to the Solent Local Transport Body (LTB).
3. NOTE the project status of the ARTches project and NOTE the delegated authority to the PUSH Chief Executives in consultation with the PUSH Chairman with a view to re allocating the total sum of £40,000 to an alternative project should this opportunity arise.

9. PUSH MEMBERSHIP OF SOUTHERN ENGLAND LOCAL PARTNERS (SELP) AND EUROPEAN FUNDING UPDATE

The Committee received a report on PUSH Membership of Southern England Local Partners (SELP) and European funding update (Copy of report 8 circulated with the agenda)

The Committee was asked to:

1. NOTE the intention for PUSH and Solent LEP to explore having a joint SELP Membership recognising the benefits of aligning the efforts, expertise and resources of both Partnerships.
2. NOTE the progress made to access European funding to develop economic development activities of PUSH partners.

(The meeting started at 6:00pm and ended at 7.50pm).