

## Council – 17 April 2023

### Decision note

Item	Decision
1. Elect Person to Preside	Not applicable as the Mayor was in attendance
2. Apologies	Councillors Ali, Clarke, Horton, A. Hussain, James, Johal, Underhill and Young.
3. Minutes	That the minutes of the meeting held on 23 February 2023 be deferred to the next meeting.
4. Declarations of interest	None
5. Local Government (Access to Information) Act, 1985	There were no items in private session
6. Mayor's announcements	Received
7. Petitions	None
8. Questions	Responded to by Councillor Andrew.
9. Scrutiny Annual Report	That Council noted the annual scrutiny report for 2021-22.
10. Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report	That Council noted the annual report of the Corporate Parenting Board.
11. Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education - Constitution	That Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Approved an amendment to the constitution of SACRE, to include two voting representatives for people with non-religious worldwide affiliation or beliefs not represented by any other membership Group so long as the non-religious belief is analogous (similar or equivalent) to a religious belief, within category A; and</li><li>2. That x1 vacancy be filled by a Humanist representative as an application has been made, on a permanent basis and x1 be available to another secular belief, subject to application.</li></ol>
12. Recommendations of Licensing and Safety Committee	That Council: <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Approved and adopted the revised Statement of Principles for the period 2023/26; and</li></ol>

	<p>2. Agree that the Licensing Service as part of its ongoing desire to protect the health of the communities of Walsall work with partners both internal and external to raise the profile of organisations, charities and services that can assist those who may suffer harm because of gambling.</p>
13. Annual Audit Report	That Council considered and noted the Annual Audit Report.
14.	
(a) Portfolio holder briefing – Customer	The Leader of the Council on behalf of the Portfolio Holder for Customer gave a presentation and answered questions from members thereon.
(b) Portfolio holder briefing – Clean and Green	The Portfolio Holder for Clean and Green, gave a presentation and answered questions from members thereon.
15. Notice of Motion – Councillors Perry, Bird and Andrew	<p>This Council recognises the importance of having defibrillators and bleed kits accessible, especially in public spaces, sports grounds and Government funded facilities.</p> <p>This Council understands the role that it has in facilitating the delivery of new defibrillators and bleed kits across our Borough in collaboration with the voluntary and community sector, businesses and partner organisations.</p> <p>This Council acknowledges the benefits of the rollout of defibrillators by the Government to all state-funded schools that currently don't have one, with over 20,000 expected to be delivered by the end of the academic year to 18,000 schools.</p> <p>This Council commits to working with the local community to find suitable places to place defibrillators, acknowledging that they are most effective within 3 minutes of a person collapsing.</p> <p>This Council, therefore, resolves to commission a report into the accessibility of defibrillators and bleed kits in Walsall and take any steps necessary to ensure that there is a defibrillator and bleed kit within a 3-minute radius of our local centres and high-streets including a campaign of improved public awareness of where these are and how to use them as well.</p>
<i>The below item was heard by the meeting sitting as a corporate trustee</i>	

16. Annual Report of Barr  
Beacon Trust Management  
Committee

That the work of the Management Committee be noted.