

Bristol City Council

Minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board



6 June 2023 at 1.30 pm

Members Present:-

Councillors: Tony Dyer (Chair), Geoff Gollop, Brenda Massey, David Wilcox, Martin Fodor, Steve Smith and Andrew Brown

1 Welcome, Introductions and Safety Information

The Chair welcomed the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board members and meeting attendees. New members of the Board were welcomed and introductions were made. Safety information was provided.

2 Apologies for absence.

Apologies were received from Cllr Mark Bradshaw and Cllr Christine Townsend.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest made.

4 Chair's Business

There was no Chair Business.

5 Public Forum

A Public Forum question regarding the relationship between Scrutiny and the Mayor's Forward Plan was submitted and presented by Suzanne Audrey. A written response was provided. As a supplementary question Suzanne Audrey asked whether the Mayor's Forward Plan could be more proactive, with greater



notice of upcoming items. The Chair responded by clarifying that whilst a more forward looking plan would be helpful, where some items were subject to external influence this was not always possible.

A Public Forum question regarding the low carbon advertising policy was submitted and presented by Nicola Round. A written response was provided. As a supplementary question Nicola Round requested a timescale for further action. It was agreed that Officers would provide this.

A Public Forum statement regarding the low carbon advertising policy was submitted and presented by Cllr Carla Denyer.

A Public Forum statement regarding the low carbon advertising policy was submitted and presented by Veronica Wignall.

A Public Forum statement regarding the low carbon advertising policy was submitted by Adblock Bristol and presented by a representative.

A Public Forum statement regarding the Climate Change Working Group was submitted and presented by Cllr Katy Grant.

A Public Forum statement regarding the scrutiny of WECA was submitted by David Redgewell, Brendon Taylor and Gordon Richardson and noted.

Resolved; that 1) OSMB note the Public Forum, and that 2) a response to the supplementary question requesting a timescale for action on the low carbon advertising policy be provided.

6 Annual Scrutiny Work Programme 2023-24

The Head of Democratic Engagement introduced the Scrutiny Work Programme for 2023-24 advising that a workshop with Scrutiny Members had been held on the morning of 6th June 2023 immediately prior to the OSMB meeting to discuss priorities, and a final work programme was produced as an outcome of that workshop. It was noted that the timings of meetings were to be considered indicative only and subject to confirmation.

The Chair added that some further items may be added later in the 2023-24 year as necessary once further information was provided. This would include the report from the Climate Change working group once available, as referenced in Public Forum, and expected to go to OSMB for consideration.

A Member raised a concern over the timing of Scrutiny for Bristol Waste. The Chair clarified that the OSMB committee would need to be flexible and responsive to matters arising through the 2023-24 year, and that it was anticipated that Bristol Waste would be added to the OSMB work programme in due course.



Members were asked to approve the Scrutiny Work Programme 2023-24. This was unanimously supported.

Resolved; that the Scrutiny Work Programme 2023-24 be approved.

The Chair thanked the attendees and closed the meeting.

