

## NORTH DEVON LOCALITY (COUNTY) COMMITTEE

10 November 2017

Present:-

Devon County Council:-

Councillors F Biederman, C Chugg, P Crabb, A Davis, R Edgell, B Greenslade, J Mathews and J Yabsley

North Devon District Council

Councillors J Chesters and G Lane

Devon Association of Local Councils

Councillor D Chalmers

\* **5**      **Minutes**

**RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 29 June 2017 be signed as a correct record.

\* **6**      **Items requiring urgent attention**

There was no item raised as a matter of urgency.

\* **7**      **Draft Devon Community Strategy**

The Committee received the draft Communities Strategy 2017 - 2020 which was being developed adopting four guiding principles that would influence the Council's work:

- Connection (connected, resilient and safe communities);
- Control (people and communities that are empowered);
- Equity (understanding and responding to our communities); and
- Working differently (doing things differently, efficiently and effectively).

Seven action areas had been identified that would support the vision of "flourishing people and communities that are strong, kind, compassionate and safe". These were: Volunteering; Community spaces; Communications and engagement; Role development; Data intelligence and evaluation; Commissioning; and Businesses and the economy.

The development of the Plan was currently underway in liaison with other local authorities and public bodies involving information sharing and joint arrangements where appropriate. When the Strategy was finalised, an Action Plan would be formulated.

Members referred to the need to work with the District Council in terms of their local and neighbourhood planning processes.

\* **8**      **South West Youth Games**

The Committee received a presentation from Mr C Broadbent covering:

- a history of the Games launched in 1999 as an Olympic-style county-wide competition;
- the establishment of a charitable Trust as a driving seat for this expanding annual event, raising financial donations and sponsorship;
- developments and progress during 2015 – 2017 including Cornwall joining the games and the first satellite event;
- ambitions for 2018 and future challenges;

- the adoption of a collaborative approach within local government and national governing bodies with a shared vision and purpose;
- request for support in-line with the Council's objectives;
- the objective to promote inclusion and participation irrespective of ability or gender and to inspire young people; and
- the challenging background relating to obesity, mental health/depression and general health and wellbeing and the transformative effects of regular physical fun exercise and sport.

Further information was available at [www.southwestyouthgames.co.uk](http://www.southwestyouthgames.co.uk)

Members' questions and comments related to the need to work with the District Council through the Leader and officers, possibly the District's Sports Development Officer who could assist with the recruitment of volunteers for example. Members also suggested that Mr Broadbent could give a presentation to the District Council and talk to FE Colleges and Schools in the District and Bicton College.

Members indicated that they would be willing to contribute through their locality funds if a team from North Devon was involved.

Mr Broadbent indicated that he was also working with the County Council through the Health and Wellbeing Board.

The Chair thanked Mr Broadbent for his presentation.

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### **Dates of Meetings**

17 April 2018 ; 28 June 2018, 13 November 2018 and 5 March 2019

Link below for County Council Calendar of Meetings:

<http://democracy.devon.gov.uk/mgCalendarMonthView.aspx?GL=1&bcr=111>

**\*DENOTES DELEGATED MATTER WITH POWER TO ACT**

The Meeting started at 11.00 am and finished at 11.42 am