

## **Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Monday 16th September 2019**

Present: Councillor Khonat (Chair) in the Chair, Councillors Khan, Z., Oates, Gunn Hardman, Marrow, McGurk, Batan, Rawat.

### **1. Welcome and Apologies**

The Chair welcomed members present to the meeting and submitted apologies from Councillor Sidat

### **2. Minutes of the Meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

The Minutes of the meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> June 2019 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

### **3. Waste Disposal Contract, Kerbside Recycling and Government Consultation on Waste Strategy.**

The Committee were reminded that they had agreed that the work programme for the year would be to look at the key corporate priorities. One of the key issues facing the Council had been identified as waste and the issues relating to collection and disposal.

The Committee were informed of the key issues facing the Waste disposal contract, Kerbside Recycling and Government consultation on Waste Strategy.

Members had agreed to focus on the Corporate Priorities as the work programme for the year with Members seeking to add value to the work of the Executive and work with them on the delivery of these. The Committee were received a report that set out progress on the Kerbside Recycling Project and the Waste Disposal Contract which as members felt was one of the key areas of service delivery to residents of the borough and contributed to the corporate priorities.

The Committee looked at the issues the service was facing particularly around the lack of companies willing to take on the contract for recycling collection and disposal of recyclates. The steps to ameliorate the situation were outlined and the progress so far was noted. Members also discussed the Household recycling centres which were not fit for purpose and the need to review how we provide these services to improve recycling rates.

**RESOLVED-** 1 That the Committee be kept informed of the progress of the recycling and kerbside collections with an updated position being reported to the next meeting of the in December.

2 That the Committee be kept informed of the progress of the Government's strategy for waste and the effects that this would have on the Council's services.

3. That the Council's monitoring of the amount sent to landfill be submitted to the Committee for information.

4. That the re-introduction of the education and advice role in to improve recycling rates be supported and that the rates of recycling be monitored at future meetings of the Committee.
5. That the discussions that have taken place with recycling operatives asking them to be more helpful and accepting of the difficulties residents face when recycling be supported.

#### **4. Work Programme for the Year**

The Committee were reminded that the key area of the work programme was to look at corporate performance and how portfolios were achieving corporate targets. A report on performance to date would be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee.

**RESOLVED-** That a report on the portfolio performance be submitted to the next meeting of the Committee and the Executive Members be invited to address performance identified in the report.

Signed.....

Date.....

Chair at the meeting where the minutes were confirmed.