



STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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COMMUNITY SERVICES AND LICENSING COMMITTEE

A meeting of the Community Services and Licensing Committee will be held on **THURSDAY, 14 MARCH 2024** in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud at **7.00 pm**

Kathy O'Leary
Chief Executive

Please Note: The meeting is being held in the Council Chamber at Stroud District Council and will be streamed live on the Council's [YouTube Channel](#). A recording of the meeting will be published onto the [Council's website](#). The whole of the meeting will be recorded except where there are confidential or exempt items, which may need to be considered in the absence of press and public.

If you wish to attend this meeting, please contact democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk. This is to ensure adequate seating is available in the Council Chamber.

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**
To receive apologies for absence.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**
To receive declarations of interest.
3. **MINUTES (Pages 5 - 10)**
To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2024.
4. **PUBLIC QUESTIONS**
The Chair of the Committee will answer questions from members of the public submitted in accordance with the Council's procedures.

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF QUESTIONS

Noon on Friday, 08 March 2024.

Questions must be submitted to the Chief Executive, Democratic Services, Ebley Mill, Ebley Wharf, Stroud and can be sent by email to

Democratic.services@stroud.gov.uk

5. **MEMBER QUESTIONS**
See Agenda Item 4 for deadlines for submission.
6. **PERFORMANCE MONITORING (Pages 11 - 44)**
To receive a verbal update on Performance Monitoring Q3.
7. **COMMUNITY SERVICES AND LICENSING BUDGET MONITORING REPORT Q3 2023/24 (Pages 45 - 52)**
To present the 2023/24 forecast outturn position against the revenue budgets and Capital Programme that the Committee is responsible for, in order to give an expectation of possible variances against budget.
8. **SAFEGUARDING POLICY AND PROCEDURES GUIDE (Pages 53 - 126)**
To approve the revised SDC Safeguarding Policy and Procedures Guide.
9. **STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL VCSE PRINCIPLES (Pages 127 - 160)**
The Voluntary, Community Social Enterprise Sector (VCSE) Principles seek to provide the council and its partners in the VCSE with a set of commonly understood good practice guidelines for communication and support. It is designed to strengthen working relationships with a transparent and consistent approach
10. **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT PRINCIPLES (Pages 161 - 176)**
This report is to present Stroud District Council's Community Engagement Principles to the Committee. It contains details of the consultation process to date and the themes identified from feedback and proposes an approach for implementation.
11. **CULTURAL STRATEGY UPDATE (Pages 177 - 206)**
This report is to provide an update on work to develop a cultural strategy for Stroud district. It presents details of consultation to date, identified core themes and opportunities. This work will provide the basis for the production of the strategy and delivery action plans later in the year.
12. **MEMBER/OFFICER REPORT (TO NOTE)**
 - (a) **Museum in the Park (Cowle Trust) (Pages 207 - 208)**
 - (b) **Police and Crime Panel (Pages 209 - 210)**
 - (c) **Citizens Advice (Pages 211 - 214)**
 - (d) **Mental Health Champions (verbal update)**
 - (e) **Cost of Living Information Sheet (Pages 215 - 216)**
 - (f) **Salix Carbonisation (Pages 217 - 220)**
 - (g) **Proposal to set up a Taxi Task and Finish Group (Pages 221 - 224)**
13. **WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 225 - 228)**
To consider the work programme.

Members of Community Services and Licensing Committee

Councillor Beki Aldam (Chair)

Councillor Paula Baker

Councillor Kate Crews

Councillor Katrina Davis

Councillor Jonathan Edmunds

Councillor Julie Job

Councillor Trevor Hall (Vice-Chair)

Councillor John Jones

Councillor Gill Oxley

Councillor Nigel Prenter

Councillor Steve Robinson

Councillor Ken Tucker