



# STROUD DISTRICT COUNCIL

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## COMMUNITY SERVICES & LICENSING COMMITTEE

24 June 2021

7.00 pm – 8.24pm

Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, Stroud

### Minutes

#### Membership

<b>Councillor Chris Brine (Chair)</b>	P	Councillor Julie Job	P
<b>Councillor Jonathan Edmunds (Vice-Chair)</b>	P	Councillor John Jones	P
Councillor Beki Aldam	P	Councillor Gill Oxley	P
Councillor Gordon Craig	P	Councillor Nigel Prenter	P
Councillor Kate Crews	P	Councillor Steve Robinson	P
Councillor Jessie Hoskin	P	Councillor Ken Tucker	P

P = Present                      A = Absent

#### Officers in Attendance

Strategic Director of Communities  
Senior Youth Officer

Head of Community Services  
Democratic Services & Elections Officer

#### CSL.001                      APOLOGIES

There were none.

#### CSL.002                      DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were none.

#### CSL.003                      MINUTES

**RESOLVED**      That the Minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2021 are approved as a correct record.

#### CSL.004                      PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were none.

The Chair expressed his best wishes and condolences on behalf of the Committee to the family and individual following the tragic circumstances at Tricorn House and

reassured Members that the Council is working with the owners and relevant organisation to ensure the building is secured.

The Chair also welcomed the new Members to the Committee and invited Officers and Members to introduce themselves and state one thing they are passionate about.

### **CSL.005      HEAR BY RIGHT AWARD PROGRAMME**

The Chair proposed an amendment to section 2 of the decision box which Committee agreed to accept as a friendly amendment to change section 2 to 'make the Hear by Right Participation Pledge; and commence the award programme process'.

The Senior Youth Officer presented the report and outlined its purpose, framework, next steps and the Council's strong history on youth participation since the late 1990's, which has recently achieved its 21-year milestone.

The Youth Work Strategy (Appendix A) was agreed until 2024 and features 7 objectives, one of which is the Hear by Right standards which focuses on continuing to develop practices within the Council for the national Hear by Right Standards, support culture of change in youth participation and undertake the national pledge. Appendix D (page 15) outlines the Hear by Right framework which contains 7 standards and 20 indicators across two levels of achievement for the award programme, 'active' requiring 7-17 indicators to be met and 'flagship' requiring 18-20 indicators.

Councillor Aldam asked a question on how youth participation is encouraged in vulnerable groups, different ethnic and cultural backgrounds and low income families. The Senior Youth Officer advised there is a comprehensive model in place and there are 9 'open access' youth forum groups based around the main market towns and their surrounding areas which encourage youth participation from the aforementioned diversities. The Senior Youth Officer highlighted that as a result, the youth voice membership was representative, socially and culturally and that there are some groups and organisations set up across the county to work using a more targeted approach to meet the specific needs of those concerned. The Council's youth service does foster partnership working with such groups and organisations.

On being put to the vote, the Motion was carried unanimously.

- RESOLVED**
- a. **create a cross Council officer and member group to support the development of an application to the award programme; and**
  - b. **make the Hear by Right Participation Pledge; and commence the award programme process**

### **CSL.006      APPOINTMENTS**

- a) Performance Monitoring Representatives for Civic Year 2021-22

Councillor Job and Councillor Prenter were appointed as Performance Monitors for the Civic Year 2021-22

b) Outside bodies

<b>Organisation</b>	<b>Representatives 2021/22</b>
Cowle Trust (Museum in the Park)	Cllr Nigel Prenter
Kingshill House Charitable Trust	Cllr Trevor Hall
Stroud & Rodborough Educational Charity	Cllr Nigel Prenter & Cllr Steve Robinson
Stroud Citizens Advice	Cllr Jessie Hoskin & Substitute Cllr Jonathan Edmunds
Stroud Festival Limited	Cllr Beki Aldam
Stroud Road Safety Liaison Group	TBC
Woodchester Park Mansion	Cllr Steve Robinson & second representative TBC
Community Safety Partnership	Cllr Chris Brine
Older Peoples Forum	Cllr Steve Robinson
Youth Council	Cllr Nigel Prenter
Stroud District Council Know Your Patch	Cllr Julie Job & Substitute Cllr Kate Crews
Homestart	TBC
Gfirst LEP – Visitor Economy/Tourism Business Group	No member representation is required as Brendan Cleere (Strategic Director of Place) and Amy Beckett (Senior Economic Development specialist) represent SDC

Stroud Road Safety Liaison Group – Cllr Tucker advised Committee that discussions at Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) and with the Police and Crime Commissioner are taking place to decide whether Road Safety Groups would be re-established as part of the Road Safety Strategy. Cllr Tucker advised he was happy to liaise with GCC Cabinet Member Dave Norman and would bring an update to Committee in September regarding the status of the Group and appoint the representatives. Councillors Tucker and Jones both put their names forward as interested representatives.

**CSL.007**      **MEMBER/OFFICER REPORTS**a) Performance Monitoring (Officer Report)

An Officer Report was circulated prior to Committee.

Cllr Robinson asked a question in relation to the grants allocation and if Committee will make a decision later in the year and when would Committee expect to receive feedback following the allocations on how money has been spent. The Chair advised that the Health and Wellbeing Apprentice has been working with the organisations who received the grants to produce short videos explaining what they have spent the allocations on and they would be available to Committee at a later date.

Councillor Jones advised of the fantastic work the Revenue & Benefits Manager and his team have undertaken to distribute the Government Grants to organisations.

**CSL.008**      **WORK PROGRAMME**

The Chair reminded Members that an all Community Services and Licensing Member Work Programme meeting was being held on 30 June at 5.30pm via Zoom.

The Chair informed Committee that a Task and Finish Group would be formed to support the implementation of the Leisure and Wellbeing Strategy, which a third party has been undertaking and he would be in contact with Committee Members over the coming weeks. The details of the Task and Finish Group are:

**Name of Task and Finish Group:** Leisure and Wellbeing Strategy Working Group

**Political Membership:** It will be politically balanced. Details to be confirmed over the next two or three weeks.

**Remit of the group:** To support and advise on the implantation of the Strategy and consider any key or emerging issues. Terms of Reference confirmed over the next three week

**Task:** The Group will report back to Committee on a regular basis.

**CSL.009**      **MEMBERS' QUESTIONS**

There were none.

The meeting ended at 8:24pm.

Chair