

## STATUS OF OUTSTANDING ACTIONS ARISING FROM SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2015

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Status</b>	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Leader of the Council: Annual Report</b>		
	Councillor Watts referred to paragraph 3.7 of the report and anecdotal information he had about intake and retention at the UTC, specifically around the “Churn” rate. He said he works with schools and understands “people have gone in and come straight back out again”, for whatever reason, and asked if that was something that might be looked into.	An interim response has been received from the Leader of The Council (03/07/2015) that he had yet to receive the information requested but would reply to the committee as soon as practicable.	On-going  Interim response received (03/07/2015)

**Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2015**

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Subject</b>		
20	<b>Cabinet Member Question and Answer Session - Cabinet Member for Communities and Strategic Planning</b>		
	<p>With regard to members' discussion about the potential for the delivery of current council services via alternative providers, Councillor Brian Ford agreed to provide a written response with particular regard to the Streetsmart Service.</p>	<p>The Head of Streetsmart is unaware of any services provided by Parish Councils that are failing and has asked for specific examples. He has indicated that if the Parish Council has agreed to deliver a service then it is down to them to resolve any service delivery issues, and they will be accountable to their parish electorate should they continue to fail. They are asked to deliver to a minimum standard and can do this by operating an in-house workforce, volunteers or third party contractor. I've not been made aware any Parish Council is not delivering the minimum standard, so I'm unable to provide any specific response at this time.</p> <p>It is in the interests of all parties for the Parish Councils to succeed in service delivery so if any Parish Council is</p>	<p>Completed</p>

		struggling with a particular issue then Streetsmart will be happy to offer support and guidance.	
	With regard to members' concerns about the ability of GP's to meet existing demand in Swindon, and the potential impact of new developments on future demand, Councillor Toby Elliott agreed that he would arrange for the matter to be considered by Councillor Perkins, Cabinet Member for the Economy, Regeneration and Skills.	The CCG has replied direct to the Chair of the Scrutiny Committee. The contents of this letter will be forwarded to Scrutiny members shortly.	Completed.

**Meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> October 2015**

<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Subject</b>		
23	<b>Minutes</b>		
	The Director of Law and Democratic Services to consult with the Cabinet Member for Communities and Strategic Planning on the matter of insurance cover for council-supervised community "Clean-Up" days in order to finalise guidance for issue to members.	An updated version of the available guidance document "Litter Picking – Guidance for Volunteers" was forwarded to all members of the Council on 11 November.	Completed.
24	<b>Cabinet Member Question and Answer Session - Cabinet Member for Economy Regeneration and Skills</b>		
	Responding to a question put by Councillor Des Moffatt regarding the delivery of the North Star development, the Cabinet Member agreed to look into the particular concern raised by Councillor Moffatt and provide a written response to the Committee.	A response on the outcome of the Cabinet Member's investigations into this matter was sent to members on 19 October 2015.	Completed.
	Councillor Steve Weisinger referred to the surplus funds generated by Penalty Charge Notices (after the costs of managing the service had been accounted for) and asked that the Cabinet Member provide a break	This matter was referred to the Highways and Parking services Team to prepare a response. On behalf of the Cabinet Member, the Council's Council's Service Manager - Parking Management & Enforcement has	Completed.

	down, by ward, of the use of the surplus funds. Councillor Maureen Penny added that the Cabinet Member might also provide details of the various restricted parking areas that had “contributed” to the accrued revenue figure.	advised that there was no surplus on PCNs in 2014/15. PCNs were issued but the primary aim of enforcement for on-street and residential zones relates to network management – keeping the roads clear to help traffic. There are no targets for tickets to be issued.	
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Meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> October 2015			
<b>Minute No.</b>	<b>Subject</b>		
28	<b>Consideration of Cabinet Decisions</b>		
	The Head of Revenues and Benefits to respond to questions put by members regarding: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• overpaid housing benefits</li> <li>• the breakdown of miscellaneous debts</li> <li>• the council tax write off amounts in 2014/15</li> </ul>	The response received from the Head of Revenues and benefits was sent to members on 11 November.	Completed.