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Community & Environment Committee

Minutes of a Community & Environment Committee meeting held at 6.00 pm on Thursday, 8th September, 2022 in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Matlock, DE4 3NN.

PRESENT

Councillor Helen Froggatt - In the Chair

Councillors: Chris Furness, Tony Morley, Dermot Murphy, Garry Purdy, Janet Rose, Andrew Statham, Alasdair Sutton, Susan Hobson, Martin Burfoot, David Hughes, Matt Buckler, Neil Buttle and Mike Ratcliffe

Present as substitute – Councillor(s): Robert Archer

Tim Braund (Director of Regulatory Services), David Cowley (Principal Environmental Health Officer), Amanda Goodwill (Environmental Health Manager), Mike Hase (Planning Policy Manager) and Tommy Shaw (Democratic Services Team Leader)

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APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor(s): Sue Bull, Steve Wain and Peter O'Brien

116/22 - PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In accordance with the procedure for public participation, Mr Peter Dobbs made a statement and asked questions regarding the air quality management action plan (AQMA) for Ashbourne. A full response was published to the District Council website.

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117/22 - APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was moved by Councillor Susan Hobson, seconded by Councillor Tony Morley and

RESOLVED (Unanimously)

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community and Environment Committee held on 29 June 2022 be approved as a correct record.

The Chairman declared the motion **CARRIED**.

118/22 - INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest.

119/22 - ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH COMMERCIAL TEAM SERVICE PLAN - FOOD HYGIENE AND HEALTH AND SAFETY AT WORK

The Director of Regulatory Services introduced a report informing Members of the official interventions for food hygiene and health and safety at work undertaken by the Council’s Environmental Health service during 2021/22 and predictions of service demands for 2022/23.

The Environmental Health Manager informed Members that the Council is required under the Food Law Code of Practice to submit a Service Plan to cover all areas of food law the Competent Authority has a duty to enforce. It was also noted that the plan must set out how the Competent Authority intends to deliver and resource official food controls and other official activities in its area.

Service plans are an important part of the process to ensure that national priorities and standards are addressed and delivered locally. It was addressed that the service plan was required to review the qualitative and quantitative performance of delivery against the plan, at least once a year. However, in line with the Food Standards Agency recovery plan, it was noted that no service plan was published for 2021/22, taking into account the impacts that the Covid 19 pandemic had on service delivery in this area.

Appendix one detailed the Commercial Team Service Plan for 2022/23. The plan confirmed the key activities of the Authority during the Covid 19 pandemic and its plans for the future in line with Food Standards Agency criteria.

During consideration of this item, the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II was sadly announced. The Committee adjourned at 6:31pm, the Committee reconvened at 6:38pm to complete consideration of this item before ending the meeting.

It was moved by Councillor Mike Ratcliffe, seconded by Councillor Susan Hobson and

RESOLVED (Unanimously)

1. That the service plan for the delivery of official controls detailed at Appendix 1 to this report be approved.
2. That the operational sampling procedure contained within the service plan be approved.

The Chairman declared the motion **CARRIED**.

Meeting Closed: 6.40 pm

Chairman