A meeting of the Economic and Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Panel was held at the Town Hall, Nuneaton on Thursday, 23rd July, 2015.

Present

Councillor J. Glass, Chair

Apologies were received from Councillor W.J. Hancox and Mr G. Sonola.

EC9 Minutes
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 18th June, 2015 be confirmed and signed by the Chair.

EC10 Declarations of Interest

Councillors S. Doughty, K.A. Kondakor and C.S. Phillips declared an Other Interest in any item by reason of them being members of Warwickshire County Council.

Councillor C.M. Watkins declared an Other Interest in any item by reason of him being a Community Safety Ambassador for Arbury and Stockingford.

EC11 Coventry and Warwickshire Growth Hub – Report of Activities
The Panel considered a report from the Managing Director on the activities of the Growth Hub (formally referred to as the Clearing House) up to 31st March, 2015. Rachael Delich, Accounts Manager, Clearing House of Business, attended the meeting and answered questions from members of the Panel.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

EC12 FOI’s and Complaints Update
A report from the Director – Business Improvement was submitted which requested this Panel to scrutinise Complaints and Freedom of Information requests reporting and monitoring.

RESOLVED that

(1) the report be noted;
(2) information on costs to the Council for collating FOI information be made available to the OSP; and
(3) information be provided on the types of complaints received.

EC13 Integrated Performance Report – First Quarter 2015-16

The Panel received the integrated performance report which provided the appropriate performance measures, financial budget information and risk data for service areas within the scope of the Panel, and was designed to provide it with sufficient information to monitor results in order to address issues arising.

RESOLVED that

(1) the report be noted; and
(2) information be provided as to whether it would be practicable for a CCTV system to be included as part of the general ITC refurbishment as it maybe an opportunity to save the Council money.

EC14 Work Programme

The updated work programme for 2015/16 was presented to the Panel.

RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved and the item referred by Housing, Health & Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel, on the impact of a 1% rent reduction of Council House rents, be included in the Work Programme.

Chair