

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
SOCIAL WELL-BEING

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 2 NOVEMBER 2006

Present: Councillors J Jackson, (Deputy Chairman, in the chair); Mrs A Faichney; G Garrity; F Gleaves; F Heathcote; S Meteer; Mrs W Metherell.

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Mrs M Woodburn; J Close

Officers: C Coombs, Cultural Services Manager; C Davidson, Leisure Partnership Officer; P Robson, Accountant; T Capper, Democratic Services Manager; J Murray, Scrutiny Support Officer; L Taylor, Member Services Technical Support Officer.

Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2006 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

OSC-SOC133 Sports and Leisure

(Note: Councillor J Jackson declared a personal interest due to being a member of the Leisure Copeland Board)

Members received a presentation, updating them on the development of the leisure trust contract. This included details of the work undertaken by the new Customer Services Team, progress made and future developments

The introduction of Membership Cards, offering discounts for local residents, was discussed along with what the criteria and cost would be for these cards. It was explained that as the development of the new pricing system was still in its initial stages any feedback from members would be welcomed. Members were assured that no shock price rises would take place.

It was **AGREED** that an update should be brought back to the Committee at their meeting in March

OSC-SOC134 Concessionary Travel

The Committee received an update on concessionary travel. Members were informed that there were concerns that the grant allocated for 2007/08 would not cover railcards as these were more costly. It was noted that there was a slight underspend on the overall budget. It was felt by Members that subject to resources a choice of railcard, bus pass or voucher should be offered in 2007/08.

It was **AGREED** that a report, to be circulated to members, recommending a one year trial of a railcard, subject to a similar regional grants settlement being received for 2007/08, should be sent to Executive

OSC-SOC135 Work Plan

The Work Plan of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees was received and noted.

Members were informed that a Special meeting had been arranged for 13 November to review the education statistics.

The meeting closed at 3.20pm

Chairman