

HINCKLEY AND BOSWORTH BOROUGH COUNCIL

SCRUTINY COMMISSION

13 MARCH 2025 AT 6.30 PM

PRESENT: Cllr C Lambert - Chair
Cllr MJ Surtees and Cllr P Williams – Vice-Chair
Cllr MJ Crooks, Cllr C Gibbens, Cllr J Moore, Cllr A Pendlebury, Cllr M Simmons
and Cllr A Weightman

Also in attendance: Councillor MT Mullaney and Councillor R Webber-Jones

Officers in attendance: Rachel Burgess, Amie Carroll, Amy Casey, Julie Kenny,
Rebecca Owen, Paul Scragg and Sharon Stacey

399. **Apologies and substitutions**

Apologies for absence were submitted on behalf of Councillors Cope and Harris.

401. **Declarations of interest**

Councillor Pendlebury declared a registrable interest in the cost of living update as owner of a property which would soon be for let within the private sector but as the content of the report did not directly relate to her disclosable pecuniary interest, she would remain in the meeting.

Councillor Crooks declared an other registrable interest in the parish & community initiative fund as a member of Newbold Verdon Parish Council which was an applicant for funding.

Councillor Surtees stated that she neighboured the site in Desford that was recommended for funding from the parish & community initiative fund.

403. **Voluntary and community sector partnership and commissioning update**

Members received an update on achievements arising from the voluntary and community sector partnership arrangements. A representative from the Pierce Perspective, a recipient of funding under the arrangements, attended to inform members of the work that had been achieved as a result of the funding.

Members suggested it would be helpful to hear how many hours of work had been put into the voluntary and community sector in comparison to the number of people who had benefitted from the work.

Councillor Webber-Jones entered the meeting at 6.45pm.

In response to a member's question, it was noted that the voluntary sector in Hinckley & Bosworth was thriving, but there were challenges such as obtaining funding, for which support was provided.

It was moved by Councillor Pendlebury, seconded by Councillor Gibbens and

RESOLVED – the impact, outcomes and contribution of the voluntary and community sector be acknowledged and endorsed.