

SERVICE REVIEW WORKING GROUP

WEDNESDAY 25th SEPTEMBER 2019

Notes of the meeting of the **SERVICE REVIEW WORKING GROUP**, held in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, School Aycliffe Lane, Newton Aycliffe, on **WEDNESDAY, 25th SEPTEMBER 2019 at 6.00 p.m.**

PRESENT

Councillors R.S. Fleming (Chairman) and Councillors:
M. Ashcroft, Arun M. Chandran, B. Hall, Jed Hillary, Wendy Hillary, M. Iveson, Mrs S.J. Iveson and Ken Robson.

OFFICERS

Mr A. Bailey (Town Clerk)
Mr S. Cooper (Works and Environment Manager)
Miss A. Donald (Town Clerk's PA)
Mr E. Birkett (Park Patrol Supervisor)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was submitted by Councillor Dave Hardaker.

2. MEMBERS' DISPENSATIONS

No applications for dispensations had been received.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

It was proposed by Councillor Jed Hillary, seconded by Councillor M. Ashcroft, and agreed that the notes of the meeting of the Service Review Working Group, held on the 11th July 2019, be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

5. ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Councillor Fleming explained that the meeting had been called in response to issues of anti-social behaviour in Council-owned parks and open spaces, raised by a member of the public at the Recreation Committee on 4th September 2019.

Discussion took place regarding a number of issues and options. It was acknowledged that the Town Council had limited options available to deal with anti-social behaviour, which was a much wider problem and primarily a matter for the police.

Councillor Fleming would be attending a meeting of the local multi-agency anti-social behaviour panel the next day and it was agreed that Councillor Ken Robson would also attend.

6. RECOMMENDATIONS

It was recommended that:

- i) Increased Town Council representation be requested on the local multi-agency anti-social behaviour panel.
- ii) A senior police officer be requested to attend a meeting of the Council to allow members to raise questions and express their concerns.

CHAIRMAN