Coventry City Council Minutes of the Meeting of Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) held at 2.00 pm on Wednesday, 18 January 2017

Present:

Members: Councillor N Akhtar (Chair)

Councillor R Bailey Councillor K Mulhall

Councillor Ridley (Substitute for Councillor Skinner)

Councillor R Singh Councillor R Thay

Other Members: Councillor L Bigham, Cabinet Member for Community

Development

Councillor G Duggins, Cabinet Member for Policy and

Leadership

Employees (by Directorate):-

Place: K Fawcett

Resources: S Bennett, G Holmes

Others Present:- N Slinn, V Ross, Salvation Army

Apologies: Councillor B Kaur

Councillor B Singh

Public Business

24. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

25. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 November, 2016 were signed as a true record. There were no matters arising.

26. Exclusion of the Press and Public

RESOLVED that, under Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the item relating to the private report in Minute 31 below headed "Supported Accommodation and Floating Support for Homeless Service Users and Ex-Offenders, two-year implementation report", on the grounds that this item involves the likely disclosure of exempt information and that there would be no public interest in disclosing that information, as defined in Schedule 12A of that Act, in particular paragraph 3 of Part 1 of the Schedule.

27. Supported Accommodation and Floating Support for Homeless Service Users and Ex Offenders - 2 Year Implementation Report

The Scrutiny Board considered a report of the Executive Director of Place which provided an update on progress and outcomes at the end of the second year of the support accommodation and floating support for homeless service users and ex-offenders programme.

A corresponding private report detailing confidential aspects of the contract was also submitted to the meeting for consideration (Minute 31 below refers).

The Salvation Army contract to manage the supported accommodation and floating support service for homeless service users (aged 25+) and ex-offenders (aged 18+) commenced on 1 April 2014. The total contract value for 5 years (from 1 April to 2014 to 31 March 2019) was £9,192,485.

Contract review meetings were held quarterly to monitor progress against the outcomes detailed in the contract specification against spend. Monthly implementation meetings were also held and included representatives from three Council directorates.

The Scrutiny Board questioned officers on aspects of the report, including:-

- •The definition of rough sleepers and the number of estimate rough sleepers in the City
- •Relationships between partners delivering services in the City
- •The possibility of providing in house provision
- •The Salvation Army's internal inspection regime

RESOLVED that the Community and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) note the contents of the report

28. Outstanding Issues

The Scrutiny Board noted that all outstanding issues had been picked up in the Work Programme.

29. Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) Work Programme 2016/17

The Scrutiny Board considered their Work Programme for 2016/17.

RESOLVED that information in relation to missed bin collections, particularly over the Christmas period, be included for consideration at a future meeting.

30. Any Other Items of Public Business

There were no other items of public business.

31. Supported Accommodation and Floating Support for Homeless Service Users and Ex-Offenders - 2 Year Implementation Report

Further to Minute 27 above, the Scrutiny Board considered a corresponding private report which provided confidential aspects of the supported accommodation and floating support for homeless service users and ex-offenders two year implementation report.

RESOLVED that the Communities and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Board (4) note the contents of the report.

32. Any Other Items of Private Business

There were no other items of private business.

(Meeting closed at 2.40 pm)