

Meeting: **Overview and Scrutiny Committee**  
Date: **17 March 2020**  
Time: **7.00 pm**  
Place: **Council Chamber - Civic Centre, Folkestone**

To: **All members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

The committee will consider the matters, listed below, at the date, time and place shown above. The meeting will be open to the press and public.

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1. **Apologies for Absence**
2. **Declarations of Interest (Pages 3 - 4)**

Members of the committee should declare any interests which fall under the following categories:

- a) disclosable pecuniary interests (DPI);
- b) other significant interests (OSI);
- c) voluntary announcements of other interests.

3. **Minutes (Pages 5 - 8)**

To consider and approve, as a correct record, the minutes of the meeting held on 18 February 2020.

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4. **How the profile of Tourism is promoted and managed, and the resources used for this purpose**

This item was requested by New Romney Town Council and included as part of the 2019/20 Annual Scrutiny Programme. A presentation will be provided and members will be asked for their views on the matter.

5. **Hackney Carriage and Private Hire (Taxi) Draft Licensing Policy (Pages 9 - 86)**

Report OS/19/08 sets out proposed revisions to the Council's Hackney Carriage and Private Hire (Taxi) Licensing Policy. The policy was last reviewed in 2012 and whilst not time limited it is good opportunity to refresh the policy. The new policy will be sent for public consultation and then to Planning and Licensing Committee for approval. The purpose of this report is to give the Overview & Scrutiny Committee the opportunity to review the proposed changes and give feedback that can be incorporated in the development of the final policy.

6. **Play Area Strategy 2020 - 2030 Consultation Responses and Outcome (Pages 87 - 216)**

Report No. C/19/48 considered the draft Play Area Strategy 2020-2030 as presented to Cabinet on 11/12/2019. The report detailed how high quality play areas will be provided and maintained throughout the District over the next ten years. Cabinet resolved:

1. That report C/19/48 be received and noted
2. That the suggestion of sites to be sold in respect of non-strategic play areas be removed
3. That the principles of the draft Play Area Strategy 2020-2030 and associated action plan be approved
4. To proceed to formal consultation
5. That a report be brought back to Cabinet following formal consultation with a view to approving the Strategy from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2020

These resolutions have been actioned with the formal consultation beginning 20/12/2019 and concluding on 31/01/2020. Report C/19/75 summarises the consultation responses and minor amendments to the strategy.