

Minutes

Community Development Scrutiny Committee

15th February 2023



Present

Councillors	Present	Councillors	Present
Mrs C Dervish	No	Mrs J Pell	Yes
Mrs D Garrod (Chairman)	Yes	Miss M Weeks	Apologies
A Hensman	Yes	Mrs S Wilson	Yes
Mrs A Kilmartin	No	B Wright	Yes
W Korsinah (from 7.18pm)	Yes		

18 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

INFORMATION: There were no Interests declared.

19 **MINUTES**

DECISION: The Minutes of the meeting of the Community Development Scrutiny Committee held on 19th October 2022 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

20 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

INFORMATION: There were no statements made, or questions asked.

21 **SCRUTINY REVIEW INTO MARKETS AND ASSOCIATED EVENTS WITHIN THE BRAINTREE DISTRICT**

INFORMATION: The Chairman reminded Members that they had previously considered the draft report and been invited to comment on it. The purpose of the evening was to review and approve the final draft prior to its submission to Cabinet who would receive and respond to the recommendations contained therein.

Members were reminded that they were not looking to add any additional content at this stage, but if Members had any concerns, then some revisions could be considered.

Members noted their concerns about the decreasing number of traders and customers at the Wednesday markets.

The Chairman said that a proactive response to the review could attract new traders. She encouraged people to use the Braintree markets or risk losing them.

DECISION: That Members approved the report and recommendations and confirmed its submission to be considered by Cabinet.

REASON FOR DECISION: To conclude the Community Development Scrutiny Committee Review into markets and Associated Events within the Braintree District.

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm and closed at 7.26pm.

Councillor Mrs D Garrod
(Chairman)