



SOCIETY AND CULTURE COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE

By virtue of sections 101 and 102 of the Local Government Act 1972 the Council may arrange for the discharge of any of its functions by one or more Committees, a Sub-Committee to be appointed by the Council for the purpose, or by an Officer of the Council.

Subject to the above, the Terms of Reference of, and delegation arrangements to, the duly appointed Society & Culture Committee of the Council shall be as set out below.

Broad areas of competence

- Health and wellbeing of the community
- Cultural and community development

Membership

- 1 There shall be a core membership of no fewer than five and no more than seven members of the Council.
- 2 Members of the Council who are not members of the Committee may substitute for a core member and have the same rights as that member as provided for in Standing Orders 15a and 15c.

Responsibilities and delegated powers

The Committee shall have delegated spending powers in line with the budget established at the Annual Budget meeting of the Full Council.

On behalf of the Council, the committee shall have delegated powers and authority to:

Partnerships and Engagement

- 1 ensure links and communication networks are made with voluntary and other community organisations within the local area;
- 2 develop, promote and maintain links with providers of facilities for the use of community groups;
- 3 assist groups working with vulnerable sections of the community to build capacity and coordination;
- 4 develop and promote activities that support local democracy and citizenship in the area
- 5 make proposals in relation to the local visitor economy;

Grants

- 6 recommend to the Council policies relating to the granting of financial support to organisations operating within the Council's area;
- 7 determine and maintain systems by which organisations operating in the Council's area may apply to the Council for financial assistance in accordance with the Council's policies;

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- 8 grant financial assistance to organisations operating in the Council's area in accordance with the Council's policies;
- 9 monitor the compliance and performance of beneficiaries of the grants system and report to full council quarterly on the impact of the grants programme;

Health, wellbeing and recreation

- 10 develop and implement council initiatives that improve the health and wellbeing of the community, including sport and exercise, leisure facilities, recreation, public service and community learning;
- 11 monitor the use and condition of public rights of way other than highways within the Council's area and make appropriate recommendations for improvements to appropriate bodies;
- 12 support where appropriate the actions of other bodies that are working to enhance the wellbeing of residents in the Council's area;
- 13 work with others in the provision of festival activities and decorations, including but not exclusively, those relating to Christmas, Village Fair and Ladies Day;
- 14 undertake periodic reviews of the Council's Statement of Community Engagement and make any recommendations for amendment to the Council;
- 15 develop a strategy for the promotion of tourism in the Council's area and engage with appropriate partners in its delivery;
- 16 consider all applications made in relation to premises licensing and make representations to the licensing authority as appropriate.

Budgets

The Committee shall monitor its actual and planned expenditure and its use of earmarked reserves, and make estimates of proposed income and expenditure for each financial year in respect of all of the services of the Committee in accordance with the Council's agreed budget setting procedures.