

DEVON BUILDING CONTROL PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE

FRIDAY, 26 JANUARY 2018

Present:

Councillors Hicks (Chairman), Pearce (Vice-Chairman), Bastone, Kimber, Clemens and Smith

Members Attendance:

Councillors

Apologies:

Councillors

Officers in Attendance:

Andrew Carpenter, Business Manager - Head of Building Control Partnership

Darren Arulvasagam, Business Development Group Manager

Clare Moors, Accounting Technician

Nicola Denton, Partnership Support Manager

1. MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 October 2017 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

2. MATTERS OF URGENCY/MATTERS OF REPORT ESPECIALLY BROUGHT FORWARD WITH THE PERMISSION OF THE CHAIRMAN.

There were no matters of urgency.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

There were no declarations of interest.

4. OPERATIONAL REPORT

The Head of the Partnership presented the report and updated Members:

- Performance information is now in line with PI's listed in the Partnership agreement.
- Implementation dates for the building control mobile (BCM) app and iApply are expected very soon from Idox and Strata.

- Both the BCM app and iApply are needed to be in place at the time of the launch of the new website. This will result in a more efficient and effective service for customers, which will be marketed and promoted during the launch.
- A temporary part time post for the Technical Support team commenced at the beginning of January. This post will provide support for the launch of the new website and mobile apps.
- Public Access has successfully gone live, and improving the service for customers.
- The SW LABC Awards will be taking place earlier than in recent years, on 20th April. The DBCP Awards have provisionally been arranged to take place between 3.30pm and 6.30pm on Thursday 15th March at Old Forde house.
- Dame Judith Hackitt's Interim Report of the Independent Review of Building Regulations and Fire Safety was published in December, following the tragic events at Grenfell Tower. The findings are generally supported by LABC, and are summarised in the report circulated with the agenda, which will be taken on board with the publication of the final report.
- LABC is setting up a National Quality Management System, and is discussed further below.

Resolved

That the report be noted.

5. EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

That under Section 100(A)(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Act.

6. OPERATION REPORT

The Partnership referred to the confidential report circulated, which advised on the LABC Quality Management System, business statistical analyses of the Partnership, and quarterly monitoring and performance information.

The Head of the Partnership and the Chairman referred to the successful LABC information sharing events hosted in partnership with another Devon Authority. The Chairman thanked all staff involved.

Resolved

That the report be noted.

7. FINANCIAL MONITORING REPORT

The Finance report was presented by the Head of the Partnership which provided financial information updates.

Resolved

That the report be noted.

MICHAEL HICKS
Chairman