

Wellbeing Panel

Agenda

Date

Wednesday 3 February 2021

Time

6pm

Place

To be hosted remotely

Members of the Wellbeing Panel

Cllr M L Murrell
(Chairman)

Cllr S M Prutton
(Vice Chairman)

Cllr A D Crotch
Cllr R R Foulger
Cllr N J Harpley
Cllr S Lawn

Cllr J A Neesam
Cllr N C Shaw
Cllr L A Starling
Cllr F Whymark

Conservative Substitutes

Cllr A D Adams
Cllr S C Gurney
Cllr D King
Cllr G F Peck
Cllr C E Ryman-Tubb
Cllr S C Walker
Cllr J M Ward

Liberal Democrat Substitutes

Cllr C Karimi-Ghovanlou
Cllr D M Thomas

Labour Substitute

Cllr B Cook

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Trevor Holden
Managing Director

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AT MEETINGS

When declaring an interest at a meeting Members are asked to indicate whether their interest in the matter is pecuniary, or if the matter relates to, or affects a pecuniary interest they have, or if it is another type of interest. Members are required to identify the nature of the interest and the agenda item to which it relates. In the case of other interests, the member may speak and vote. If it is a pecuniary interest, the member must withdraw from the meeting when it is discussed. If it affects or relates to a pecuniary interest the member has, they have the right to make representations to the meeting as a member of the public but must then withdraw from the meeting. Members are also requested when appropriate to make any declarations under the Code of Practice on Planning and Judicial matters.

Have you declared the interest in the register of interests as a pecuniary interest? If Yes, you will need to withdraw from the room when it is discussed.

Does the interest directly:

1. Affect yours, or your spouse / partner's financial position?
2. Relate to the determining of any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration in relation to you or your spouse / partner?
3. Relate to a contract you, or your spouse / partner have with the Council
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If the answer is "yes" to any of the above, it is likely to be pecuniary.

Please refer to the guidance given on declaring pecuniary interests in the register of interest forms. If you have a pecuniary interest, you will need to inform the meeting and then withdraw from the room when it is discussed. If it has not been previously declared, you will also need to notify the Monitoring Officer within 28 days.

Does the interest indirectly affect or relate any pecuniary interest you have already declared, or an interest you have identified at 1-5 above?

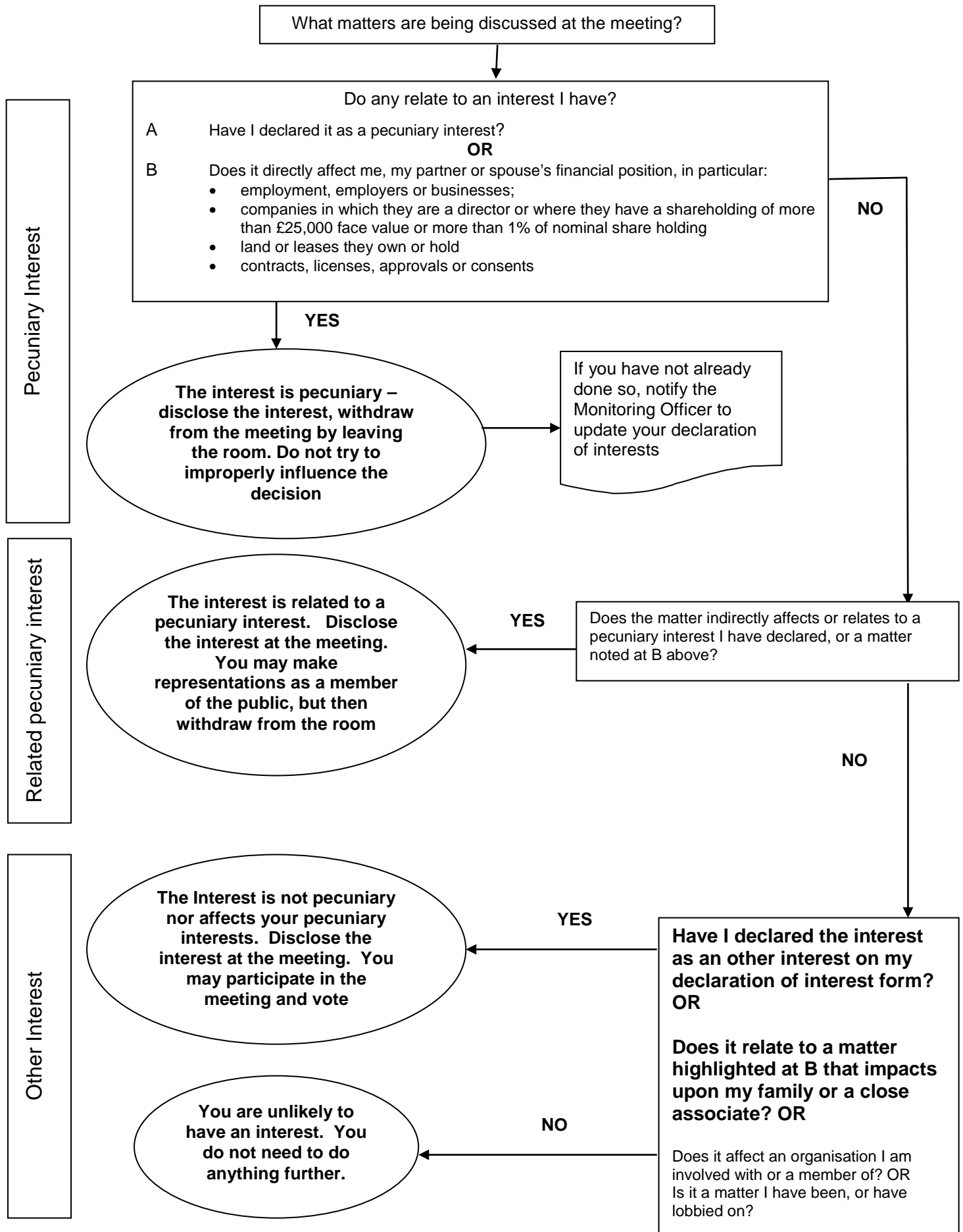
If yes, you need to inform the meeting. When it is discussed, you will have the right to make representations to the meeting as a member of the public, but must then withdraw from the meeting.

Is the interest not related to any of the above? If so, it is likely to be another interest. You will need to declare the interest, but may participate in discussion and voting on the item.

Have you made any statements or undertaken any actions that would indicate that you have a closed mind on a matter under discussion? If so, you may be predetermined on the issue; you will need to inform the meeting, and when it is discussed, you will have the right to make representations to the meeting as a member of the public, but must then withdraw from the meeting.

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IN THE FIRST INSTANCE**

DECLARING INTERESTS FLOWCHART – QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF



Minutes of a meeting of the **Wellbeing Panel** held via video link on **Wednesday 9 December 2020** at **6pm**.

A roll call was taken, and the following members were present:

Cllr F Whymark – Chairman

Cllr A D Crotch

Cllr M Murrell

Cllr N C Shaw

Cllr R R Foulger

Cllr S M Prutton

Cllr L A Starling

Cllr C Karimi-Ghovanlou

In attendance were the Director of People and Communities, the Assistant Director Individuals and Families, the Evaluation and Data Analyst and the Committee Officers (LA and JH).

30 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST UNDER PROCEDURAL RULE NO 8

Member	Minute No & Heading	Nature of Interest
Cllr Crotch	34 – Health and Wellbeing Strategy Update 2020	A member of the Young Enterprise Norfolk Board and until recently, Chairman of Young Enterprise

31 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr N J Harpley and Cllr J A Neesam.

32 MINUTES

The minutes of the Wellbeing Panel meeting held on 7 October 2020 were confirmed as a correct record.

33 MATTERS ARISING

The Chairman, Cllr Whymark, advised Members that the Youth Advisory Board would be invited to speak at the next Wellbeing Panel meeting in February 2021.

34 HEALTH AND WELLBEING STRATEGY UPDATE 2020

The Panel considered the report of the Evaluation and Data Analyst, which highlighted the activities undertaken by Broadland Council, to support the delivery of the Health and Wellbeing Strategy, adopted by both Broadland and South Norfolk Councils, back in Autumn 2019.

The Evaluation and Data Analyst presented his report, referring to the progress made in support of the four themes within the Strategy, and also the impact of Covid-19 on the health and wellbeing of communities.

The Chairman thanked the Evaluation and Data Analyst for his report and commented on how well he thought the Council had adapted to new ways of working, that had arisen as a result of the pandemic.

During discussion, one Member asked whether the Council had plans to relaunch the Tots2Teens holiday scheme in the near future. The Assistant Director Individuals and Families explained that there were plans to start running the scheme in the February 2021 half term holidays, acknowledging the importance of the scheme for both children, and parents.

One Member queried how residents were referred to the Falls Prevention Scheme, as she was aware of a resident who would benefit from the scheme. The Assistant Director agreed to forward the relevant information on to the Panel, after the meeting.

One Member advised the Panel that he had received the Covid-19 vaccine that very morning, and he stressed the importance of encouraging everyone to get vaccinated, when invited to do so. The Panel discussed the potential barriers that might prevent or discourage people from receiving the vaccine, and the Assistant Director advised that officers were working closely with the Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to try to overcome some of the barriers, such as transport. He agreed that the District Council had an important role to play in encouraging residents, as it already worked closely with communities and hard to reach groups.

Members commented on the effect of the Covid-19 pandemic on mental health and noted how this was exasperated by social isolation and loneliness. The Assistant Director referred to the stigma attached to mental health, explaining that his team were working closely with the marketing team to ensure that national campaigns reached local levels, and that the local community felt empowered to support those in need. He suggested that this was an item for future consideration and debate.

Members felt that the pandemic had highlighted a number of community groups that could provide support on a whole range of issues and stressed the importance of supporting and signposting these groups. Members discussed the use of leafletting, social media and local and parish magazines as ways of promotion.

The Assistant Director confirmed that officers were looking to replicate a scheme in Manchester, through the use of Community Connectors, whereby support was provided out of the normal office hours, to people needing to talk to someone about a whole range of issues. This was similar to work provided by other charities, but the advantage was that the Council had direct access to other services.

The Panel discussed the increase in domestic violence cases, and redundancy, as a result of the pandemic. The Assistant Director advised that officers were working closely with the police to examine how best the Council could support victims of domestic violence and also how it could help to prevent cases occurring. Members also noted that staff were working with Economic Development and the Department for Work and Pensions (DWP), to examine ways of supporting people to get back into work, through for example, training on interview skills or improving confidence. He added that returning to work quickly would positively impact on other issues, such as debt, mental health, and rates of domestic violence cases and homelessness. He added that this work would be a strong focus moving into 2021 and would be the subject of future reports to the Panel.

It was unanimously, by a show of hands

RESOLVED to

- (1) Note the report and the success of the Council's actions with regards to Health and Wellbeing and to further note the intention of officers to:
 - (a) Produce a further update for the panel to consider the ongoing impacts of coronavirus on resident health and wellbeing, by Summer 2021.
 - (b) Review and produce a Joint Health and Wellbeing Framework to take account of the long-term impacts of the coronavirus pandemic and to align to the 2020-2024 Joint Strategic Plan, for consideration of the Council for adoption from April 2022.

The meeting closed at 6.41pm

Future Policy Discussion for Covid Recovery

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Portfolio: Housing and Wellbeing

Ward(s) Affected: All

Purpose of the Report:

The purpose of this update is to provide information to members about the current operational work being completed to support the pandemic, to inform future policy discussion around emerging issues to our residents and communities.

Recommendations:

1. The Panel is asked to note the information presented, to inform discussion and future policy development.

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 The information presented will update members on the current work that is being completed to support residents during the pandemic and the issues and opportunities that raises for the future.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council is working closely with our partners and community on a range of issues around Covid and the impact it has on residents, including building up community capacity, supporting the Covid response, improving hospital discharge, changes to DFG delivery.
- 2.2 The Covid pandemic has highlighted an increasing number of new vulnerabilities linked to lockdown, furlough and unemployment. This has caused wellbeing issues and will have longer term impacts on our communities and residents.

3 CURRENT POSITION/FINDINGS

- 3.1 This will be provided via PowerPoint at the meeting to ensure up to date information is presented.

4 PROPOSED ACTION

- 4.1 Based on the information and findings presented, the Panel is asked to identify areas of policy development they would like to explore in the future.

5 ISSUES AND RISKS

- 5.1 No specific risks or issues are identified as this is a discussion document.
- 5.2 **Resource Implications** – none
- 5.3 **Legal Implications** – none.
- 5.4 **Equality Implications** – Early indications are that those in lower paid job, young people and older people are being adversely affected by the pandemic in terms of jobs, isolation and accessing services.
- 5.5 **Environmental Impact** – none.
- 5.6 **Crime and Disorder** – community capacity building and cohesion contributes to safer communities.
- 5.7 **Risks** – none.

6 CONCLUSION

- 6.1 When the Council moves forward to the recovery phase of the pandemic, we will need to ensure the Council's response to wellbeing is focused on reducing the

long-term impact of the pandemic. Ensuring that our communities are supported through our own resource and working closely with our partners and communities.

7 RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The Panel is asked to note the information presented, to inform discussion and future policy development