



Updates for Outside Bodies – Reports from Councillors

The following updates have been received from Councillors in relation to the outside bodies to which they have been appointed by Full Council.

1	Team East Sussex (TES) (South East LEP)	Councillor Nicholson
	<p><i>Date of meeting:</i> 27/01/2020</p> <p><i>Business discussed:</i> Progress on Local Industrial Strategy and update from ESCC on strategic infrastructure projects.</p> <p><i>Decisions made:</i> Focus on ensuring East Sussex needs are fully represented in the Local Industrial Strategy.</p>	
2	Community Safety Partnership	Councillor Denis
	<p><i>Date of meeting:</i> 20th January</p> <p><i>Business discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget • Annual Report – to go to scrutiny • Review Priorities 	
3	Sussex Police and Crime Panel	Councillor Denis
	<p><i>Date of meeting:</i> 31st January, 2020 at County Hall, St Anne's Crescent, Lewes</p> <p><i>Business discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget for the Police and Crime Commissioner/Sussex Police • Questions for the Commissioner • Estates Strategy <p><i>Decisions made:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To support the proposed increase of £10. Band D precept will now be £199.91pa. 	
4	Safer Communities Partnership Board	Councillor Denis
	<p><i>Date of meeting:</i> 29th January, 2020 at Eastbourne Town Hall</p> <p><i>Business discussed:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Violent crime strategy • Safer Communities Plan <p>East Sussex County Council has unilaterally removed reference to safer roads from the Partnership plan.</p> <p><i>Decisions made:</i> Non- decision making</p>	

5	Wave Leisure Trust Ltd	Councillor Saunders
	<p>Purpose: <i>“Inspiring Active Lifestyles”</i></p> <p>Vision: <i>“To be at the heart of the improvement of health and wellbeing in the community”</i></p> <p>Values: <i>“Respect, Communication, Pride, Teamwork, Honesty, Enthusiasm.”</i></p> <p>Introduction Formed in 2006, Wave was born out of Lewes District Council (LDC) Leisure Services and was then responsible for operating 6 leisure facilities within the Lewes District, turning over £3,495,247 and receiving a service fee from LDC of £1,108,175 per annum.</p> <p>Today, Wave is recognised as an award-winning Trust, managing sixteen leisure facilities, along with Newhaven Fort - across Lewes District, Eastbourne Borough and East Grinstead. Wave now generates circa £8,000,000 annually, with a significantly reduced service fee of £100,000 which is set to decrease to zero on 31st March 2020.</p> <p>Wave should rightly be commended for this feat, faced by the financial pressures both the private and public sectors have endured in recent years.</p> <p>Challenge In recent years, the principal challenge for Wave has been supporting the Council with the ambition to drive the Service Fee down to zero by 1st April 2020. This, along with the pressures of cost increases, through materials, wages and utility cost rises, whilst remaining true to their Purpose, Vision and Charitable Objectives.</p> <p>Recognising the need to meet those challenges head on, Wave has taken opportunities to expand the range of facilities and geographical reach which has meant scaling up the business by investing in people, systems and software.</p> <p>The Chief Executive, Duncan Kerr and his team, have been proactive in their approach to the expansion of the business. They continue to actively explore further opportunities within and outside the District, as well as innovative arrangements with other organisations locally, to maximise their influence and provision of healthy living, to as many residents and organisations as possible.</p> <p>New facilities include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • East Grinstead Sports Club In 2017/18 Wave successfully procured the contract to operate East Grinstead Sports Club, the first contract outside of the Lewes District. • Sky High Trampoline Park In February 2019 Wave welcomed Sky High Trampoline Park to the portfolio. Located on Meridian Industrial Estate in Peacehaven, comprising trampoline arena, a café, viewing gallery and two themed party rooms. • Eastbourne Borough Council Wave was delighted when, in 2019, Eastbourne Borough Council (EBC) offered Wave a grant to operate seven facilities to support a long-term (10 years) project to provide improved leisure, sports and community services and support 	

healthcare and wellbeing in Eastbourne.

Community and Health Improvement

Whilst maintaining a commitment to mainstream membership activities, e.g. gym, swim and classes, Wave continues to expand the range of health focused activities including their first NHS Procured Contract called ESCAPE Pain, a lower limb pain management programme, along with other projects such as Strength and Balance (Falls Prevention), Postural Stability Exercise (PSI), Carers' Respite Sessions, Weight Management Programmes and Satellite Clubs for those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). Wave has also expanded walking sports to include Netball, a welcome addition to our Health Walks and Walking Football, both of which remain very popular across a number of sites. Wave also continues to host the annual Para Games, which grows in popularity every year.

Recognition

During the 2018/19 period, Wave was delighted to secure entry into "The Parliamentary Review" - a Westminster Publication which aims to raise standards through showcasing best practice to numerous government-related industries, highlighting excellence and providing examples of best practise to fellow peers. The publication combines political content with stories from a wide range of organisations we're proud to be included within the 2019 copy.

Wave's story was presented within the "Highlighting Best Practice" Section and focuses on their approach and activities aligned to the primary care sector.

In addition, Wave was thrilled to be invited by Baroness Tanni Grey-Thomson to be included in this year's NHS England National Expo for Health and Care Innovation for work aligned to Public Health. The Expo was held on 4th Sept 2019 and Wave presented on a project as a case study and leading example of how others in the leisure sector should be working to support the NHS.

Wave was also finalists in the Not For Profit category, of the 2019 Sussex Business Awards.

Way Forward Beyond 2021

Wave is proud of its successful partnership with LDC, but the contract is due to end on 31st March 2021. As such, during 2020/21, there is a requirement to define and secure a new long-term agreement with LDC.

Wave has grown out of the District Council's commitment to the residents of the community and it is looking to take that ethos to new heights, with a bold and positive vision for the future. The investment made by LDC in Wave has been put to good use by the Trust and returned a lasting legacy of healthy living and access for a large cross section of the community, to sport and exercise. There is recognition by the current Management and Board, that there is still more that is possible to achieve for our district and its surrounding communities.