

Minutes of the **General Purposes Committee**
of the **Test Valley Borough Council**
held in Conference Room 1, Beech Hurst
on 2 November 2016 at 4.00pm

Attendance:

Councillor I Carr (Chairman)	(P)	Councillor M Hatley (Vice Chairman)	(P)
Councillor N Adams-King	(A)	Councillor A Dowden	(P)
Councillor P Giddings	(P)	Councillor I Hibberd	(A)
Councillor A Hope	(P)	Councillor I Jeffrey	(P)
Councillor P Hurst	(P)	Councillor P North	(P)
Councillor G Stallard	(P)		

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Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2016 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

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Annual Corporate Health and Safety Report 2015/16

Consideration was given to a report by the Corporate Portfolio Holder which demonstrated the Council's compliance with its statutory responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 for 2015-16.

The Council was required to fulfil its statutory obligations under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974. In addition, it was suggested by the Health and Safety Executive (HSE) that it was good health and safety management practice to produce an annual report of the organisation's health and safety performance. This in turn should be approved by senior management and Members before being publicised to show a commitment to accountability and transparency.

Compliance with health and safety legislation together with a high standard of safety management and performance, effectively maximises an organisation's ability to meet its obligations as specified in the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007.

The approval of the Corporate Annual Health and Safety Report 2015/16 would show the Council's adherence to HSE guidance and its commitment to fulfilling its obligations under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and the Corporate Manslaughter and Corporate Homicide Act 2007.

Resolved:

That the Annual Corporate Health and Safety Report 2015/16 as shown in the annex to the report be approved.

(Meeting terminated at 4.15pm)