Minutes of the **General Purposes Committee** of the **Test Valley Borough Council** held in Conference Room 1, Beech Hurst, Weyhill Road, Andover on Wednesday 7 November 2018 at 4.00 pm

Attendance: **Councillor G Bailey (Chairman)** Councillor A Dowden Councillor M Flood Councillor P Giddings

Councillor P Hurst Councillor I Jeffrey Councillor P North

Also in attendance Councillor C Dowden

Apologies for absence Councillor K Hamilton, N Adams-King and J Cockaday

177 Minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2018

Resolved:

That the minutes of the meeting held on 30 July 2018 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

178 Annual Health and Safety Performance Report 2017 - 2018

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Environmental Services. Test Valley Borough Council's Corporate Health and Safety Policy required an annual report on health and safety performance and planning. The report covered the year 2017/18 and demonstrated the Council's compliance with its statutory responsibilities under the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 and subsequent regulations.

The objectives of the report were to demonstrate Test Valley Borough Council's commitment to:

- Making public the Council's performance on health and safety by publishing health and safety performance data;
- The ongoing effective implementation of the Council's health and safety policy, organisation and its associated arrangements;
- Monitor and measure health and safety performance, with a view to highlighting areas where the Council performed well and also areas for improvement;
- Openness and accountability in all of the Council services; and
- Test Valley Borough Council's responsibility for ensuring a safe and healthy environment for service users, members of the public, employees and contractors.

The approval of the Annual Health and Safety Report 2017-2018 would fulfil the Council's obligation to health and safety legislation and would reinforce its commitment to following HSE best practice guidance.

Resolved:

That the Annual Health and Safety Report 2017-2018 be approved.

(The meeting terminated at 4.15 pm)