

Proposed pilot changes to Consultative Committee - Appendix 3

SAC/CC – 30 November 2021

Feedback on Changes to Stakeholder Committees (Open Forum) report (*informal notes*)

Consultative Committee (CC)

- Forums have worked well in the past, when consulting on proposals
- The objectives of the open forum should be set out and agreed
- Agendas should be published and forums advertised in public/ community noticeboards, as well as online
- Online participation in the forum should be allowed
- AP should continue to provide routine written reports for the forum
- Risk of becoming a staged Q&A session – needs to encourage debate - could be facilitated by consultative committee members
- Strong opinion that the CC should not be abolished and should continue to meet twice annually in addition to the two open forums. Being a Council constituted committee gives the CC legitimacy CC meeting seeks views and includes Board members)
- Open forums should include online options.
- It was generally agreed that action was needed to increase representation from the community

SAC's comments:

- The open forum would give more weight to the SAC
- Future SAC - Residents' Associations still had a role to play – some are experiencing difficulties in increasing diversity and engagement and getting support/ information from the local authority.
- Local people do not understand AP Governance
- During the pilot, two Consultative Committee meetings each year should take place (interspersed with the two open forums) to enable the CC to review
- The SAC would continue to meet during the pilots to input and review after each open forum
- Trustee board members should be in attendances