

STRONG AND SUPPORTIVE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	Agenda Item No. 5
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Report of the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee Task and Finish Group

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CITIZENS POWER PROGRAMME – FINAL REPORT OF THE TASK AND FINISH GROUP

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To provide the final report of the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee Citizen Power Task and Finish Group to the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To note the conclusions and recommendations contained within the report and make any agreed recommendations available to the Council for any consideration in any future planned schemes.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY

- 3.1 The Citizen Power Peterborough Programme contained six distinct strands of work stretching across the range of Sustainable Community Strategy priorities:
- Creating Strong and Supportive Communities
 - Creating the UK's Environment Capital
 - Creating Opportunities – Tackling Inequalities
 - Delivering Strong and Sustainable Growth

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Citizen Power was a two year collaboration between the City Council, the Arts Council and the Royal Society for the Arts. The project reflected the philosophy of the localism agenda, intending to encourage stronger, more engaged communities that not only shape and influence decisions that directly affect them, but be supported to become actively involved to make a positive difference in Peterborough.

The programme was delivered through six distinct strands of work:

- The Peterborough Curriculum
- Recovery Capital
- Sustainable Citizenship
- Changemakers
- Civic Commons

- Arts and Social Change

During 2011 a full review of the Citizen Power Programme was undertaken and reported to the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee in September 2011. The report and its recommendations were agreed in full. A Task and Finish Group was established as a result of the review and attached is the final report of that group.

5. KEY ISSUES

- 5.1 This committee is asked to note the conclusions within the Task and Finish Group report and in particular the recommendation.

6. IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 This programme was a City-wide programme and has no on-going financial commitment to the Council

7. CONSULTATION

- 7.1 There is no on-going consultation.

8. NEXT STEPS

- 8.1 Recommendations to be passed to Cabinet for formal response.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

- 9.1 *Strong and Supportive Community Scrutiny Committee Citizen Power Task and Finish Report 2013.*

10. APPENDICES

- 10.1 *List any appendices to the report.*