

# Minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Tuesday, 21 March 2017

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs P M Bryant (Chairman)

Councillor T M Cartwright, MBE (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs S M Bayford, Miss S M Bell, F Birkett, Mrs T L Ellis,

Mrs C Heneghan, L Keeble, A Mandry, Mrs K Mandry,

R H Price, JP, Mrs K K Trott and K D Evans (deputising for M J

Ford, JP)

Also Present:



## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor M J Ford, JP and Councillor Ms S Pankhurst.

#### 2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the Licensing and Regulatory Affairs Committee held on 24 January 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

#### 3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements.

#### 4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

#### 5. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

# 6. UPDATE ON FAREHAM AND GOSPORT ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH PARTNERSHIP

The Committee received a presentation by the Head of Environmental Health which provided Members with an update on the Fareham and Gosport Environmental Health Partnership.

The presentation outlined the Partnership milestones achieved since December 2010, the management and scope of the Partnership, staffing restructures that have taken place across the two offices, financial information, current performance and current issues, particularly the need to reconsider the future provision and cost effectiveness of the Pest Control Service.

RESOLVED that the Committee note the significant progress and considerable cost saving that has been achieved since the Partnership commenced.

## 7. UPDATE ON THE ALIGNMENT OF FEES AND CHARGES

The Committee received an update from the Head of Environmental Health on the alignment of Fees and Charges across the Boroughs of Fareham and Gosport.

Members were advised that Fees and Charges are different between Fareham and Gosport. Recently, Portsmouth City Council has taken over the management of Gosport Borough Council, so little progress has been in this area, although it has been raised by the Partnership Member Panel. Portsmouth City Council has demonstrated a very positive attitude towards this partnership.

RESOLVED that the Head of Environmental Health be thanked for providing the verbal update.

# 8. FINAL REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17 AND DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

The Committee considered a report by the Head of Environmental Health on the Committee's Work Programme for 2016/17 and a proposed draft Work Programme for 2017/18.

Members were invited to put forward suggestions for the 2017/18 Work Programme. It was suggested that the Update on Taxis and Wheelchair Accessibility scheduled to take place at the June meeting should include an opportunity to view the content of the disability video that is shown as part of the application procedure for new Hackney Carriage/Private Vehicle Hire driving licenses.

## RESOLVED that the Committee:-

- (a) note the Work Programme for the current year 2016/17;
- (b) agree the proposed Work Programme for 2017/18; and
- (c) submit the proposed Work Programme for 2017/18 to Council for endorsement.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm and ended at 6.55 pm).