

AGENDA
SCRUTINY BOARD

Date: Thursday, 18 May 2017

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

Members: Members to be appointed at the Annual Council meeting held on 11 May 2017.



1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes (Pages 5 - 10)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the Scrutiny Board meeting held on 16 March 2017.

3. Chairman's Announcements

4. Declarations of Interest and Disclosures of Advice or Directions

To receive any declarations of interest from members in accordance with Standing Orders and the Council's Code of Conduct and disclosures of advice or directions received from Group Leaders or Political Groups, in accordance with the Council's Constitution.

5. Deputations

To receive any deputations of which notice has been lodged.

6. Review of Work Programme 2017/18 (Pages 11 - 22)

To consider a report by the Director of Finance and Resources which invites members to review the Board's work programme for 2017/18.

7. Presentation by Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich on the Review of Police Performance in Hampshire

To receive a presentation and ask questions of Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich, from Hampshire Police, on a recent review of the Police Performance in Hampshire.

8. Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels

To receive the minutes of the Policy Development and Review Panels held since 1 March 2017.

(1) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 7 March 2017 of Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel (Pages 23 - 26)

(2) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 9 March 2017 of Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel (Pages 27 - 30)

9. Executive Business

If requested by a member, to consider any item of business dealt with by the Executive, since the last meeting of the Board. The relevant Executive meeting is 3 April 2017. (This will also include any decisions taken by individual Executive members during the same time period.)



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BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Scrutiny Board

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Thursday, 16 March 2017

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs S M Bayford (Chairman)

Councillor S D Martin (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: B Bayford, S Cunningham, M J Ford, JP, L Keeble, A Mandry,
Ms S Pankhurst and C J Wood

Also Present: Councillors T M Cartwright, MBE (Item 8), K D Evans (Item 7)
and Mrs K Mandry (Item 6)



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies of absence.

2. MINUTES

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Scrutiny Board meeting held on 31 January 2017, be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OF ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. REVIEW OF THE BOARD'S WORK PROGRAMME

The Board considered a report by the Director of Finance and Resources which gave a final review of the Board's work programme for 2016/17 and the draft work programme for 2017/18.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Mrs K Mandry, Executive Member for Health and Housing addressed the Panel on this item.

The Director of Finance and Resources addressed the Board on this item regarding a scoping report on Two Saints which had been tabled at the meeting, (Attached as Appendix A).

The report was a result of the request made by Councillor Cunningham at the meeting of the Board held on 31 January 2017, asking for Two Saints to come to a future meeting of the Board to give a presentation. The report outlined Councillor Cunningham's questions and provided some background information of organisation. Members' agreed that they would like to invite Two Saints to give a presentation to the Board at its meeting on 18 May 2017.

The Director of Planning and Regulation also addressed the Board and informed them that he had been in discussion with Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich regarding the review of Police Force in Hampshire, and that she had indicated she would be willing to give a presentation to the Board on the outcome of the performance review of Hampshire Police.

It was AGREED that Members:-

- (a) reviewed the outcome of the work programme of the Scrutiny Board for 2016/17;

- (b) inform the Council of the Board's view on the outcome of the call-in arrangement for 2016/17;
- (c) include a presentation by Two Saints to the Board's meeting on 18 May 2017;
- (d) include a presentation from Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich on the Review of Police Performance in Hampshire, at a date to be confirmed;
- (e) subject to the inclusion of (c) and (d) above, approve the provisional work programme of the Board for 2017/18; and
- (f) submit the provisional work programme of the Board for 2017/18 to the Council.

7. PRESENTATION BY, AND QUESTIONING OF, THE EXECUTIVE MEMBER FOR PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

The Board received a presentation by the Executive Member for Planning and Development which reviewed the services within the portfolio over the past 2 years. The presentation included details on:-

- Planning Strategy
- Review of the Local Plan
- Neighbourhood Planning
- Regeneration projects for Fareham and Portchester
- Regeneration Funding Bids
- Parking Strategy & Transport Liaison
- Delivery of Welborne Garden Village
- Tree Strategy
- Conservation Strategy
- Building Control Partnership
- Coastal Management Partnership

The Executive Member for Planning and Development answered members' questions concerning the presentation.

It was AGREED that the Executive Member for Planning and Development be thanked for his very informative presentation.

8. RECEIVE MINUTES OF MEETING OF POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANELS

The Board was asked to receive the minutes of the Policy Development and Review Panels held since 1 January 2017.

(1) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 10 January 2017 of Planning and Development Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Planning and Development Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor A Mandry was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

(2) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 28 February 2017 of Planning and Development Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Planning and Development Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor A Mandry was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 28 February 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

(3) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 17 January 2017 of Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor M J Ford, JP was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

The Chairman then invited Councillor Cartwright to join the meeting. He gave the Board a brief update on the Police and Crime Commissioner's Council Tax Precept for 2017/18.

The key points noted were:

- Government funding is decreasing;
- The National Funding Formula leaves a shortfall of £13m;
- Hampshire is a low cost/value for money constabulary;
- The public were consulted on the proposed precept and were generally supportive of the £5 per annum increase (Band D property); and
- Robust review and scrutiny undertaken by Finance Working Group and endorsed by the Police and Crime Panel.

It was AGREED Councillor Cartwright was thanked for his informative update.

(4) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 18 January 2017 of Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor Ms S Pankhurst was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 18 January 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

(5) Minutes of meeting Wednesday, 1 March 2017 of Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor Ms S Pankhurst was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 1 March 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

(6) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 19 January 2017 of Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor B Bayford was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 19 January 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

(7) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 26 January 2017 of Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel

The Chairman of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor L Keeble was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2017.

It was AGREED the minutes be received.

9. EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

The Chairman invited members to indicate if they wished to consider any other item of business dealt with by the Executive since the last meeting of the Board.

There were no other items of Executive Business considered.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 7.50 pm).

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BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to Scrutiny Board

Date **18 May 2017**

Report of: **Director of Finance and Resources**

Subject: **REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18**

SUMMARY

Items for the draft work programme of the Board for the year were agreed by the Board as its meeting on 16 March 2017 and endorsed by the council at its meeting on 27 April 2017.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board is now invited to further review the work programme for 2017/18.

INTRODUCTION

1. At the meeting of the Board on 16 March 2017, members agreed items for the draft work programme of the Board for the current year, 2017/18. The work programme was subsequently confirmed by the Council at its meeting on 27 April 2017. The Board's work programme is set out in Appendix A to this report.

REVISIONS TO THE WORK PROGRAMME

2. Members are asked to note the following revisions to the work programme;
 - (i) The presentation by Two Saints that was scheduled for the 18 May 2017 meeting has now been moved to the 29 June 2017 meeting;
 - (ii) A presentation by Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich on the Review of Police Performance in Hampshire has been added to the 18 May 2017 meeting; and
 - (iii) The presentation by the Executive Member for Policy and Resources has been moved from the 29 June 2017 meeting to the 14 September 2017 meeting.

RISK ASSESSMENT

3. There are no significant risk considerations in relation to this report.

CONCLUSION

4. The Board is now invited to further review its work programme for 2017/18.

Appendices:

Appendix A – Progress on actions since last meeting

Appendix B – Scrutiny Board Work Programme 2017/18

Background Papers:

Reference Papers:

Enquiries:

For further information on this report please contact Andrew Wannell. (Ext 4620)

SCRUTINY BOARD WORK PROGRAMME - PROGRESS SINCE LAST MEETING**APPENDIX A**

Date of Meeting	Subject	Type of Item	Action by Board	Outcome	Link Officer
16 March 2017	Final Review of Work Programme 2016/17 and Draft Work Programme for 2017/18	Programming	<p>The Board considered a report by the Director of Finance and Resources which gave a final review of the Board's work programme for 2016/17 and the draft work programme for 2017/18.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Mrs K Mandry, Executive Member for Health and Housing addressed the Panel on this item.</p> <p>The Director of Finance and Resources addressed the Board on this item regarding a scoping report on Two Saints which had been tabled at the meeting, (attached as Appendix A).</p> <p>The report was a result of the request made by Councillor Cunningham at the meeting of the Board held on 31 January 2017, asking for Two Saints to come to a future meeting of the Board to give a presentation to the Board at its meeting on 18 May 2017.</p> <p>The Director of Planning and Regulation also addressed the Board and informed them that he had been in discussion with</p>		Andrew Wannell

			<p>Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich regarding the review of the Police Force in Hampshire, and that she had indicated she would be willing to give a presentation to the Board on the outcome of the performance review of Hampshire Police.</p> <p>It was AGREED that Members:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) reviewed the outcome of the work programme of the Scrutiny Board for 2016/17; (b) inform the Council of the Board's view on the outcome of the call-in arrangement for 2016/17; (c) include a presentation by Two Saints to the Board's meeting on 18 May 2017; (d) include a presentation from Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich on the Review of Police Performance in Hampshire, at a date to be confirmed; (e) subject to the inclusion of (c) and (d) above, approve the provisional work programme of the Board for 2017/18; and (f) submit the provisional work programme of the Board for 2017/18 to the Council. 	<p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p> <p>Added to the work programme for 18 May 2017 meeting</p> <p>Added to work programme as an unallocated item</p> <p>Completed</p> <p>Work programme endorsed by full Council at its meeting held on 27 April 2017.</p>	
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	Presentation by, and Questioning of, the Executive Member for Planning and Development	Presentation	<p>The Board received a presentation by the Executive Member for Planning and Development which reviewed the services within the portfolio over the past 2 years. The presentation included details on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Strategy • Review of the Local Plan • Neighbourhood Planning • Regeneration projects for Fareham and Portchester • Regeneration Funding Bids • Parking Strategy & Transport Liaison • Delivery of Welborne Garden Village • Tree Strategy • Conservation Strategy • Building Control Partnership • Coastal Management Partnership <p>The Executive Member for Planning and Development answered members' questions concerning the presentation.</p> <p>It was AGREED that the Executive Member for Planning and Development be thanked for this very informative presentation.</p>		Andrew Wannell
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			<p>meeting held on 28 February 2017.</p> <p>It was AGREED the minutes be received.</p> <p>(3) Minutes of meeting Tuesday, 17 January 2017 of Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel</p> <p>The Chairman of the Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor M J Ford, JP was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 17 January 2017.</p> <p>It was AGREED the minutes be received.</p> <p>The Chairman then invited Councillor Cartwright to join the meeting. He gave the Board a brief update on the Police and Crime Commissioner's Council Tax Precept for 2017/18.</p> <p>The key points noted were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Government funding is decreasing; • The National Funding Formula leaves a shortfall of £13m; • Hampshire is a low cost/value for money constabulary; • The public were consulted on the proposed precept and were generally supportive of the £5 per annum increase (Band D 	Completed	
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			<p>It was AGREED the minutes be received.</p> <p>(6) Minutes of meeting, Thursday 19 January 2017 of Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel</p> <p>The Chairman of the Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor B Bayford was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 19 January 2017.</p> <p>It was AGREED the minutes be received.</p> <p>(7) Minutes of meeting Thursday, 26 January 2017 of Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel</p> <p>The Chairman of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel, Councillor L Keeble was invited to present the minutes of the meeting held on 26 January 2017.</p> <p>It was AGREED the minutes be received.</p>	<p>Completed</p> <p>Completed</p>	
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SCRUTINY BOARD – CURRENT WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

DATE	SCRUTINY BOARD ITEM
18 May 2017	Review of Work Programme 2017/18 Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels Presentation by Chief Inspector Sharon Woolrich on the Review of Police Performance in Hampshire
29 June 2017	Review of Work Programme 2017/18 Presentation by, and Questioning of Two Saints Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels
14 September 2017	Review of Work Programme 2017/18 Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive Member for Policy and Resources Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels
23 November 2017	Review of Work Programme 2017/18 Presentation by, and questioning of, an Executive Member for Public Protection Review of the Medium Term Finance Strategy Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels
11 January 2018	Preliminary Review of Work Programme 2017/18 and Draft Work Programme 2018/19 Finance Strategy, Capital Programme, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2018/19 Housing Revenue Account Budget and Capital Plans 2018/19 Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels
22 March 2018	Final Review of Work Programme 2017/18 and Draft Work Programme 2018/19 Presentation by, and questioning of, an Executive Member for Streetscene Receive Minutes of Meetings of Policy Development and Review Panels

Items to be assigned:

Review of Corporate Strategy and Corporate Priorities

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Tuesday, 7 March 2017

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor M J Ford, JP (Chairman)

Councillor Mrs T L Ellis (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: K A Barton, F Birkett, J M Englefield and Mrs K K Trott

Also Present: Councillor T M Cartwright, MBE (for items 6 and 7)



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor Mrs P M Bryant.

2. MINUTES

It was AGREED that the minutes of the meeting of the Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel held on 17 January 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OF ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS

There were no declarations of interest or disclosures of advice or directions made at this meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. AIR QUALITY ACTION PLAN UPDATE

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Planning and Regulation on Air Quality in the Borough which gave an update on the Air Quality Action Plan.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Cartwright, the Executive Member for Public Protection, addressed the Panel on this item.

In addition to the information provided in the report, Members were advised that whilst District Councils have responsibilities in respect of Air Quality, they have no control over the local road network that is the pre-dominant cause of exceedances of Air Quality targets. It was discussed and agreed that once the government has published the new Air Quality Action Plan for the UK and it is clearer what action Fareham needs to take in respect of Air Quality, it may be worth considering the possibility of re-establishing the Air Quality Steering Group to enable multi agency collaboration in tackling air quality issues in the Borough.

Members commented that the report provided was extremely informative and, given that Air Quality is such a topical issue at the moment, it would be useful to make the report available to all Members of the Council.

Members enquired whether the extended Air Quality Management Area outlined in Appendix C of the report encompasses Redlands Lane school. The Head of Environmental Health agreed to check whether this is the case and report back.

The Panel requested that information be made available regarding usage rates of the two electric vehicle charging points that have been installed in the Borough. The Head of Environmental Health agreed to provide a verbal update on this at the next meeting.

It was AGREED that the Panel notes:

- (a) the content of the report and the progress that has been made to date in respect of Local Air Quality Management; and
- (b) that a report will be presented to the Executive regarding the new UK Air Quality Action Plan and its implications to Fareham when more detail about it is known.

7. ANNUAL UPDATE ON FAREHAM COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP & POLICE CRIME PANEL

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Planning and Regulation which gave an overview of the work undertaken by Fareham's Community Safety Partnership and provided an update on the Partnership's performance to date.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Council T M Cartwright addressed the Panel on this item.

Members commented on the very successful Community Safety initiatives that take place across the Borough and commended the excellent work of the Partnership Action Group.

Councillor Cartwright reported on Hampshire Constabulary's HMIC Inspection. It is part three of their 2016 PEEL Inspection process. For the previous two (efficiency and legitimacy) Hampshire Constabulary was graded as 'good'. This one focuses on effectiveness and was conducted in Autumn 2016, just prior to the Joint Inspection (JTAI) conducted in Hampshire on Domestic Abuse. The report talks a lot about the positive work Hampshire Constabulary is doing in terms of its commitment to neighbourhood policing, taking on organised criminals, and a good response to tackling anti-social behaviour. Hampshire Constabulary are also pleased that their officers are listening to the views of victims and that 'without exception' their staff and officers have good knowledge of vulnerability including child sexual exploitation, modern slavery and domestic abuse. Areas for improvement focus on the Force's response to domestic abuse. Councillor Cartwright advised that the Chief Inspector is already taking steps to improve performance in this area.

Councillor Cartwright also provided a brief update on the Police Crime Panel, advising that the Delivery Plan has now been received by the Panel but, disappointingly, it does not provide any clarity on how achievements will be measured. The Police Crime Commissioner has now agreed the precept for this year which has been increased due to a reduction in government funding. The Finance Working Group will probe what the additional money will be spent on.

It was AGREED that the Panel note the performance and progress made by Fareham's Community Safety Partnership and the risks and challenges it faces in the future.

8. FINAL REVIEW OF ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016/17 AND FINAL CONSIDERATION OF DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2017/18

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Planning and Regulation which gave a final review of the Work Programme for 2016/17 and the draft Work Programme for 2017/18.

The Director of Planning and Regulation drew the Panel's attention to Appendix C of the report which sets out details of the proposed items for consideration during 2017/18. Members requested that an update regarding the recently implemented Public Spaces Protection Order be added to the July meeting of the Work Programme.

It was AGREED that Members:-

- (a) reviewed the Panel's Work Programme for the current year 2016/17;
- (b) agreed a proposed Work Programme for 2017/18, subject to the inclusion of an update on the recently implemented Public Spaces Protection Order at the July 2017 meeting; and
- (c) submit the proposed Work Programme for 2017/18 to the Council for endorsement.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 7.15 pm).

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Thursday, 9 March 2017

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor B Bayford (Chairman)

Councillor F Birkett (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs M Brady, Mrs C Heneghan, S D Martin, Ms S Pankhurst
and Mrs C L A Hockley (deputising for D L Steadman)

Also Present: Councillor Mrs K Mandry (for item 8) and T M Cartwright, MBE
(for items 7 and 8)



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

An apology for absence was received from Councillor D L Steadman.

2. MINUTES

Members enquired whether there has been any progress with the sites identified for parking improvements in 2017/18 as outlined in item 8 of the minutes. The Tenancy Services Manager reported that the sites are still at the design stage. A further three sites are being considered at Simpson Close, Melvin Jones House and Gaza House.

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel held on 19 January 2017 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no Chairman's announcements.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OF ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS

There were no declarations of interest or disclosures of advice or directions made at this meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. HEALTH UPDATE

The Chairman provided a copy of the recent Friends of Fareham Community Hospital's newsletter as an update on local health issues.

Members noted that a Business Support Manager has now been appointed at Fareham Community Hospital.

Councillor Mrs Hockley commended the Council's "Fareham in Bloom" team for the excellent work that has been done in improving the flower beds at the Hospital entrance.

7. HOMELESSNESS UPDATE

The Chairman reminded Members that at the meeting of the Council's Executive on 06 February 2017, a proposal was put forward that provision be made within the budget to fund an outreach worker to support the increasing number of rough sleepers in the Town Centre. The Executive Leader indicated that the Health and Housing and the Public Protection Development and Review Panels would be the appropriate forum to discuss the need for this resourcing and that if it were considered necessary, provision could be made

from within the existing spending reserve. Following discussions with the Executive Member for Public Protection and the Chairman of the Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel, it has been agreed that it would be appropriate to discuss this issue at the Health and Housing Panel.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor T M Cartwright MBE, Executive Member for Public Protection addressed the Panel on this item.

The Panel received a verbal update and presentation from the Housing Options Manager on Homelessness within the Borough. The presentation provided Members with an overview of the Housing Advice and Homeless Service in Fareham, highlighting the costs involved in providing this mandatory service, the advice and assistance provided, the role of the Two Saints Organisation and the Severe Weather Emergency Protocol.

Members also received a detailed update on the numbers and circumstances of the rough sleepers in the Borough who were identified from the annual 'single night snapshot' that is taken across the country using street counts and intelligence driven estimates. Of the 18 people identified, 7 were found to be engaging with local services, 2 have subsequently been sent to prison, 1 has a room at a hostel, 1 has been assisted into private rented accommodation and 1 has been supported to return to their original area. The remaining 6 people are not engaging with any interventions or assistance that is offered and there is a need to find new ways of working so that solutions can be found to secure successful outcomes for these vulnerable people. This will involve greater collaboration with partnership agencies.

Following discussion and debate it was concluded that it is clear that the issue appears to be that there is a small group of rough sleepers who, for a variety of reasons, will not engage with the appropriate agencies that could assist them.

It was AGREED that no additional budget provision for an outreach worker be made available, but that officers in the housing department be asked to review, in conjunction with other agencies, how this problem can best be tackled and to report back to the Panel at a time to be agreed. Councillor Mrs M Brady requested that it be noted in the minutes that she did not agree that additional budget provision should not be made.

The Housing Options Manager was thanked for providing an excellent presentation which was very informative.

8. TENANCY MANAGEMENT REPORT

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations on Tenancy Management Performance.

At the invitation of the Chairman Councillors T M Cartwright, MBE and Mrs K Mandry addressed the Panel on this item.

Members enquired whether the Vanguard intervention carried out recently has resulted in easier ways for residents to make payments. The Tenancy

Services Manger advised that a system is currently being implemented that will provide residents with greater flexibility and choice in respect of the direct debit payment scheme. This will enable residents to make weekly payments as an alternative to monthly payments and will make it easier for them to manage their finances.

It was AGREED that the Panel notes the information contained within the report.

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

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations on the final review of the Work Programme 2016/17 and the draft Work Programme for 2017/18.

Members requested that an update on Homelessness be added to the Work Programme 2017/18 at a meeting that Officers consider most appropriate.

It was AGREED that Members:-

- (a) reviewed the Panel's Work Programme for the current year 2016/17;
- (b) agreed a proposed Work Programme for 2017/18, subject to the inclusion of an Update on Homelessness at the meeting considered most appropriate by Officers; and
- (c) submits the proposed Work Programme for 2017/18 to Council for endorsement.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 7.15 pm).