

Minutes of the Streetscene Scrutiny Panel

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Thursday, 21 March 2024

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Miss T G Harper (Chairman)

Councillor Mrs P Hayre (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Ms C Bainbridge, Mrs L E Clubley, J M Englefield,

Mrs C L A Hockley and Mrs K Mandry

Also Councillors Mrs K K Trott (for item 7) and I Bastable (for item 9)

Present:



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 January 2024 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

Councillor J M Englefield declared a pecuniary interest in item 8 on the agenda as he leases an allotment in Locks Heath. He remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion of the item as the report was for noting only and no decisions were taken by the Panel.

5. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

(1) Introducing Simpler Recycling in Fareham

There were no comments or questions for clarification in respect of this item.

7. MOTION: PROSTRATE CANCER UK'S 'BINS FOR BOYS' CAMPAIGN

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Mrs K K Trott addressed the Panel on this item.

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Neighbourhoods which outlined the Council's current provision of sanitary waste bins in male public toilets across the Council's own buildings. The report also set out the implications of supporting the Motion presented to Council by Councillor Mrs K K Trott on 14 December 2023 in respect of Prostate Cancer UK's 'Bins for Boys' campaign.

Members were supportive of the current trial that is being undertaken and discussed the need to ensure that the publicity surrounding the Council's position is timely and appropriate.

RESOLVED that the Streetscene Scrutiny Panel:

(a) notes that the current trial, as detailed at paragraph 10 of the report, will be continued for a period of 12 months;

- (b) notes that a further report will be brought forward for consideration once the results of the trial are known; and
- (c) recommends that points 2, 3 and 4 of the motion, as detailed at paragraph 1 of the report, be taken forward.

8. ALLOTMENTS UPDATE

Councillor J M Englefield declared a pecuniary interest in this item as he leases an allotment in Locks Heath. He remained in the meeting and took part in the discussion of this item as the report was for noting only and no decisions were taken by the Panel.

The Panel received a presentation by the Public Spaces Operations Manager which provided information for members on the current allotment provision within Fareham, site management arrangements and updated waiting list numbers. A copy of the presentation slides is attached at Appendix A to these minutes.

RESOLVED that the Streetscene Scrutiny Panel notes the content of the presentation.

9. STREETSCENE SCRUTINY PANEL PRIORITIES

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor I J Bastable, Executive Member for Streetscene, addressed the Panel on this item.

In discussing the scrutiny priorities for the Panel, it was agreed that a comprehensive update on the provision of facilities and enforcement performance in respect of dog fouling and graffiti be added to the scrutiny priorities for a future meeting of the Panel.

RESOLVED that the Streetscene Scrutiny Panel reviewed the priorities for the Panel.

(The meeting started at 6.01 pm and ended at 6.55 pm).

 	 Chairman
	Date