

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

AGENDA

EXECUTIVE LEADER DELEGATED DECISION

Date: Wednesday, 16 April 2014

Time: 11:00 am

Venue: Executive Meeting Area - Civic Offices

Members: Councillor S D T Woodward



1. Report Published

Non-Key Decision(s)

- (1) Attendance at South and South East in Bloom (Pages 1 - 2)**
- (2) Attendance at Local Government Association Coastal Issues Special Interest Group AGM and Field Trip (Pages 3 - 4)**

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Report to the Executive Leader

Portfolio:	Policy and Resources
Subject:	Attendance at South and South East in Bloom Awards Day
Report of:	Director of Finance and Resources
Strategy/Policy:	
Corporate Objective:	

Purpose:

This report seeks approval for the Executive Member for Leisure and Community to attend the South and South East in Bloom Awards Day to be held in Brighton on 17th September 2014.

Executive summary:

The South & South East in Bloom campaign is the largest horticultural campaign in the region involving hundreds of communities each year. Participating communities create lasting improvements to their local environment for the benefit of those who live, work and visit there today, and in the future.

South & South East in Bloom is an inclusive campaign and any community, no matter how small or large, can get involved. Often communities first participate in their local "in Bloom" before getting involved in the regional campaign

South & South East in Bloom is a unique campaign that enables participating communities to work across different areas and address a number of issues. It is the only campaign which takes this more integrated approach to community improvement and which uses gardening & horticulture as its foundation.

Participating communities are asked to focus their initiatives on three main areas:

- Horticultural Achievement
- Environmental Responsibility
- Community Participation

This means "in Bloom" communities tackle everything from litter, graffiti and anti-social behaviour through to conservation, sustainability and improving horticultural standards, and that's not to mention the positive impact on sense of place, community spirit and pride.

Recommendation:

That approval is given for the Executive Member for Leisure and Community to attend the South and South East in Bloom Awards Day to be held in Brighton on 17th September 2014.

Reason:

To represent Fareham Borough Council at an awards ceremony for a unique campaign which can benefit Fareham Borough in a variety of ways including the following:

- Cleaner and greener surroundings
- Creating a sense of community through improvement of public spaces and positive interaction between community members
- An increase in civic pride and sense of community empowerment by engaging people in the improvement of their own community
- Safer environments for the enjoyment of local people
- Long term improvement for the environment by addressing issues such as sustainability, resource management, conservation, litter, graffiti etc.
- Reduction in anti-social behaviour
- Positive effect on the local economy such as increased commercial enterprise and increased tourism
- Regeneration of run down and/or disadvantaged areas

Cost of Proposals:

The cost for attending this event is £25.00. Travel expenses will be claimable, as will relevant subsistence costs.

The costs can be met from within existing budgets.

Risk Assessment:

There are no significant risks in relation to attendance at this event.

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Report to the Executive Leader

Portfolio:	Policy and Resources
Subject:	Attendance at the Local Government Association Coastal Issues – Special Interest Group AGM and Field Trip
Report of:	Director of Finance and Resources
Strategy/Policy:	
Corporate Objective:	

Purpose:

This report seeks approval for Fareham Borough Council's representative on the Local Government Association Coastal Issues Special Interest Group to attend the Special Interest Group AGM and Field Trip to be held within Scarborough Borough, on 10th – 12th June 2014.

Executive summary:

Scarborough Borough Council is hosting the 2014 LGA Coastal SIG AGM on 10th, 11th and 12th June in the splendour of the Mount Hotel, Scarborough. From the hotel base, the field trip will take in the delightful coastline of the borough and will give a snap shot of the innovative work, addressing a series of issues affecting the coastal zone. .

Recommendation:

That approval is given for Fareham Borough Council's representative on the Local Government Association Coastal Issues Special Interest Group to attend the Special Interest Group AGM and Field Trip to be held within Scarborough Borough, on 10th – 12th June 2014.

Reason:

To build the member's capacity and knowledge of coastal issues and enable them to meet with Councillors/representatives from other coastal boroughs and learn from their experiences.

Cost of Proposals:

The cost for attending both the field trip and the AGM is £50 in total. Expenses would also be paid for travel and any relevant subsistence.

The costs can be met from within existing budgets.

Risk Assessment:

There are no significant risks in relation to attendance at this event.