

AGENDA
LEISURE AND COMMUNITY POLICY
DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANEL

Date: Wednesday, 2 March 2016

Time: 6.00 pm

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

Members:

Councillor Mrs C L A Hockley (Chairman)

Councillor Ms S Pankhurst (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors Mrs P M Bryant

M J Ford, JP

T G Knight

R H Price, JP

D L Steadman

Deputies: Councillor G Fazackarley

Councillor Mrs K K Trott



1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel held on 20 January 2016.

3. Chairman's Announcements

4. Declarations of Interest and Disclosures or 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. Cams Alders Vision - Presentation

To receive a presentation by the Director of Operations on the Cams Alders Recreation Ground Vision.

7. Presentation by One Community

To receive a presentation by One Community on the services they provide in the Borough.

8. Fareham Leisure Centre Performance Review - Presentation

To receive a presentation by the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services on a review of Fareham Leisure Centre Performance.

9. Final Review of Work Programme 2015/16 and Draft Work Programme 2016/17 (Pages 7 - 28)

To consider a report by the Director of Operations which gives a final review to the work programme 2015/16 and the draft work programme 2016/17.

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FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel (to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Wednesday, 20 January 2016

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs C L A Hockley (Chairman)

(Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs P M Bryant, T G Knight, R H Price, JP and D L Steadman

Also Present: Councillor Miss S M Bell



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies of absence were received from Councillors Mrs S Pankhurst and M J Ford JP.

2. MINUTES

It was AGREED that the minutes of the Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel held on 4 November 2015 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman welcomed Andy and Maria Kennedy of Y-Services to the meeting.

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISCLOSURES OR ADVICE OR DIRECTIONS

There were no declarations of interest made at this meeting.

5. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations made at this meeting.

6. PRESENTATION FROM Y-SERVICES

The Panel received a presentation from Andy Kennedy of Y-Services on the current delivery of Youth Services they provide within the Borough.

The presentation began with a video that had been made by volunteers and Fareham young people promoting some of the activities they are involved with.

The remaining presentation outlined details of the evening and daytime activities currently provided by Y-Services across the Borough.

This included:-

- (a) the Y-Cat meeting in November where over 65 young people from across the Borough attended a question and answer session with Councillor Woodward;
- (b) Play Ranger sessions and the challenge of securing funding when the contract funding arrangements expire in March 2016; and
- (c) Y-Services new venture at Frosthole Close where they are seeking to lease the building from the Council to set up a scrap store.

Andy Kennedy confirmed that the charity had reached a crossroads with the funding they receive due to the imminent cuts to Youth Services by Hampshire County Council. It is believed that Y-Services funding would be secure until

September 2016. Councillor Price enquired as to how much funding Y-Services currently receive from Hampshire County Council and what they're expecting the funding cuts to be. Andy Kennedy was not able to confirm figures at this time as Y-Service don't know the extent of the cuts. Councillor Price enquired as to whether any assistance could be provided from the Community Safety Partnership as the Panel agreed there is great concern over how these cuts will affect young people in Fareham. The Head of Leisure and Environmental Services agreed to make the Community Safety Partnership aware of the need for funding and to advise on any opportunities that may arise.

Councillor G Fazackarley left the meeting during this item at 6.35pm.

It was AGREED that:

- (a) Andy Kennedy from Y-Services be thanked for his informative presentation;
- (b) the Council look into the possibility of sourcing additional funding for youth services; and
- (c) the content of the presentation be noted.

7. PLAY AND RECREATIONAL FACILITIES - PRESENTATION

The Panel received a presentation from the Leisure Events Manager on the Play and Recreational Facilities in the Borough.

The presentation gave details of the 62 items of equipment which make up the Councils Play and Recreational Facilities for ages 13 and above; including:-

- Skate Parks
- Football Goals
- Teen Shelters
- Multi-Use Games Areas
- Outdoor Gyms
- Basketball Hoops
- Football/Basketball Combos

The Leisure Events Manager outlined the work that had been undertaken to assess the equipment, including how it had been categorised as; good, average or poor and then how these results are used to identify the improvement works that are required. The Panel were shown examples of existing equipment to highlight the challenges faced with undertaking the improvements and examples of that work has already been carried out.

The improvement programme will be reported to the 11 April Executive with implementation in autumn 2016.

The Chairman invited Councillor D L Steadman to address the Panel on this item.

Councillor D L Steadman expressed his concerns relating the Crossfell Walk Play area to the Panel and how there was only one play area in the whole of the Fareham South Ward and that this had not been refurbished since 2012. He explained that the feedback that the Council had received from residents is that Crossfell Walk Play Area does not provide enough equipment for the number of children and young people using it and that residents would like to see additional items installed.

The Chairman agreed that Councillor D L Steadman's comments be considered by the Panel and that they would see what could be done to assist with this project going forward.

It was AGREED that:

- (a) the Leisure Events Manager be thanked for their informative presentation; and
- (b) the content of the presentation be noted.

8. WESTERN WARDS LEISURE CENTRE PROGRESS UPDATE - PRESENTATION

The Panel received a presentation from the Leisure Development Manager updating them on the progress on the construction of the Holly Hill Leisure Centre, which has now passed the half way stage. The project is on target to complete in early July 2016.

It was AGREED that:

- (a) the Leisure Development Manager be thanked for his informative presentation; and
- (b) the content of the presentation be noted.

9. PRELIMINARY OVERALL REVIEW OF WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16 AND DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations which reviewed the Work Programme for 2015/16 and the draft work programme for 2016/17.

At the invitation of the Chairman, the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services addressed the Panel and suggested a list of items for them to consider before the March meeting where they will need to agree the final work programme for 2016/17, the Chairman then invited members to bring any suggestions forward for next year's work programme. Councillor T G Knight requested an item outlining facilities for the older population. Councillor R H Price also suggested that the new Holly Leisure Centre updates be included into the Fareham Leisure Centre as they will both be managed by Everyone Active. The Chairman proposed that a presentation by One Community be added along with a Members Tour.

At the suggestion of the Chairman members also agreed to move the Open Spaces Improvement Programme item from the March meeting into 2016/17 programme and requested that the Cams Alders Vision Presentation be brought to the March meeting instead.

It was AGREED that, subject to the amendments above and items suggested by members for the 2016/17, the work programme for 2015/16, as set in Appendix A to the report be approved.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 7.24 pm).

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel

Date **02 March 2016**

Report of: **Director of Operations**

Subject: **FINAL REVIEW OF THE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2015/16 AND
DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2016/17**

SUMMARY

At the last meeting the Panel on the 20 January 2016, members reviewed the existing work programme for 2015/16, and also considered a draft work programme for 2016/17. The Panel is now invited to assess the overall progress for the current year and finalise a draft work programme for 2016/17.

RECOMMENDATION

The Panel is now requested to:-

- (a) review the outcomes of the Panel's work programme for 2015/16.
- (b) agree a proposed work programme for 2016/17; and
- (c) submit the proposed work programme for 2016/17 to the Council for endorsement.

INTRODUCTION

1. This is the final meeting for the year and the Panel is invited to finalise its review of this year's work programme and confirm the draft for 2016/17.

WORK PROGRAMME CURRENT YEAR 2015/16

2. Appendix A to this report contains details of the current year's work programme for review by the Panel.
3. Appendix B contains details of the outcomes from matters considered at Panel meetings from May 2015 up until January 2016, for members' information.

4. REVISIONS TO THE CURRENT WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16

The Panel suggested two changes to this year's work programme for the 02 March meeting and confirmed that:-

- (a) the Open Spaces Improvement Programme item be moved onto next year's work programme for 2016/17; and
- (b) that a presentation on the Cams Alders Vision be brought to the March meeting instead.

WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016/17

5. Appendix D sets out details of the proposed items for consideration during 2016/17. As members are aware, the Panel's focus is on 'policy development', and it is suggested that members may want to consider setting up smaller working groups to work with officers on specific subjects. The Panel is also likely to consider reports on a specific subject on more than one occasion during the course of the year, as the policy is developed and before final recommendations are made to the Executive.
6. It is also for the Panel to consider whether any review of items under the Councils policy framework will be included in the 2016/17 programme.
7. Appendix C contains a list of the plans and strategies currently contained in the Council's policy framework. This list may however be subject to amendment arising from any future changes to the Constitution.

RISK ASSESSMENT

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

CONCLUSION

9. To summarise, the Panel is now invited to:-
 - (a) review the outcome of its work programme for the current year 2015/16;
 - (b) give further consideration to a draft work programme for 2016/17. Taking account of the proposed draft set out in the Appendix D and, at the same time, add to the Panel's draft programme for 2016/17 and proposed strategy or policy reviews and also any additional items agreed generally by the Panel or put forward by individual members.

(c) arrange to submit the agreed work programme for 2016/17 to the Council.

Appendices:

Appendix A – Current Work Programme for 2015/16

Appendix B – Work Programme 2015/16 – Outcomes (including March 2015)

Appendix C – Policy Framework

Appendix D – Draft Work Programme for 2016/17

Background Papers:

None

Reference Papers:

Leisure & Community Policy Development Review Panel 20 January 2016 (Minute 9).

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WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2015/16 – LEISURE AND COMMUNITY POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANEL

MEETING DATES FOR 2015/16	ITEMS
03 June 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2015/16 • Overview of Leisure & Community Portfolio - Presentation
29 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2015/16 • Open discussion about other potential leisure and community projects and policies
09 September 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2015/16 • Park Lane Vision – Update – Presentation • Western Wards Leisure Centre Progress Update – Presentation
04 November 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2015/16 • Review of Youth Provision – Presentation
20 January 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Preliminary overall review of work programme 2015/16 and draft 2016/17 • Presentation by Y-Services • Western Wards Leisure Centre Progress Update - Presentation • Play & Recreational Facilities - Presentation
02 March 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final review of work programme for 2015/16 and draft 2016/17 • Fareham Leisure Centre Performance Review - Presentation • Cams Alders Vision • Presentation by One Community

**Leisure and Community Policy Development and Review Panel –
Progress on Actions from March 2015 to January 2016**

MEETING DATE	04 March 2015
<u>Subject</u>	Presentation – Fareham Leisure Centre Performance Review
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a presentation from Ian Cook and Ryan Grant from SLM at Fareham Leisure Centre, on a performance review of the Leisure Centre management contract.</p> <p>The presentation provided information on the performance of Fareham Leisure Centre over the last year and looked forward at some of the up and coming events and initiatives the management of the Western Wards Leisure Centre.</p> <p>It was AGREED that:-</p> <p>(a) Ian Cook and Ryan Grant from SLM Ltd be thanked for their presentation; and</p> <p>(b) the Panel note the content of the report.</p>
Outcome	Contents of presentation noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler
<u>Subject</u>	Cams Alders recreation Ground Vision
Type of Item	Information

Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a presentation by Robin Thompson from RPT Consulting on the vision for Cams alders Recreation Ground.</p> <p>The presentation outlined the Council's vision and project outcomes, the facility needs, development options, the financial implication, key recommendations and the next steps that need to be taken.</p> <p>It was AGREED that:-</p> <p>(a) Robin Thompson be thanked for his presentation; and (b) the Panel note the content of the presentation.</p>
Outcome	Contents of presentation noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler
<u>Subject</u>	Presentation on Progress regarding Hampshire Cultural Trust
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a presentation by Janet Owens, Chief Executive of the Hampshire Solent Cultural Trust on the progress of newly formed Cultural Trust that has been taken on the management of the arts and museum service in Hampshire.</p> <p>The presentation provided information on the Trust since it began on 1 November 2014. It provided key facts and figures, details of the founding agreement, provided information on the first 3 months of operation, looked at the Trusts' strategic ambitions and future development opportunities.</p> <p>It was AGREED that:-</p> <p>(a) Janet Owen be thanked for her presentation; and (b) the Panel note the content of the report.</p>
Outcome	Contents of presentation noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler

<u>Subject</u>	Final Review of Work Programme 2014/15 and Draft Work Programme 2015/16
Type of Item	Report
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel considered a report by the Director of Community which gave a final review of the Panels' work programme for 2014/15 and the draft work programme for 2015/16.</p> <p>It was AGREED that the Panel:-</p> <p>(a) reviewed the outcomes of the Panel's work programme for 2014/15;</p> <p>(b) agreed a proposed work programme for 2015/16; and</p> <p>(c) submits the proposed work programme for 2015/16 to the Council for endorsement.</p>
Outcome	Report Noted
Link Officer	Paul Doran
MEETING DATE	03 June 2015
<u>Subject</u>	Overview of Leisure & Community Portfolio - Presentation
Type of item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a presentation by the Head of Leisure and Community on an overview of the Leisure and Community portfolio.</p> <p>The presentation gave an update on the projects completed in 2014/15 and the projects that are planned for 2015/16. The priority projects for 2015/16 are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Construction of the new Holly Hill Leisure Centre • Review of youth facilities in the Borough

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of outdoor play facilities for young people • Feasibility study to deliver the vision for community sports facilities at Cams Alders Recreation Ground • Review and re-branding for SNAP • Award of contact for the provision of community services for the voluntary and community groups in the Borough • Feasibility study for the vision to transform cultural facilities in Fareham • Access All Areas summer activities for young people • Play area refurbishments at Park Lane, King George V and Birchen Road • Mini makeovers for 20 play areas • Implementation of phase 2 of the Park Lane Vision • Coordination of the Town Centre events programme and Christmas Lights switch on • Conclusion of the Fareham Park Project • Laying out of parkland and woodland on the new land at Coldeast <p>The Chairman expressed her thanks to all of the Leisure and Community team for their continued hard work and dedication.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor's Miss Bell, Executive Member for Leisure and Community and Mrs Trott addressed the Panel on this item.</p> <p>The Head of Leisure and Community was thanked for his presentation.</p>
Outcome	Contents of Presentation noted
Link Officer	Martyn George
<u>Subject</u>	Review of Work Programme 2015/16
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	The Panel received a presentation by the Head of Leisure and Community which covered the following matters:-

Members were informed that the role of the Panel included assisting the Executive in the development of policies and submitting recommendations to the Executive and reviewing service performance at eg. Fareham Leisure Centre and Ferneham Hall;

Promotion of the corporate priorities of Leisure for Health and Fun and Strong and Inclusive Communities. This to be achieved by developing community facilities in the Western Wards, implementing the findings from the review of community buildings and sports facilities and the development of new and improved play areas;

- Details were provided of recent achievements which included the refurbishment of Fareham Leisure Centre, borough-wide review of community buildings, success in obtaining external funding for the Fareham Park Project and the Play Area Improvement programme.
- The priorities for 2014/15 were listed as:-
 - Development of the new Western Wards swimming pool including associated community facilities at Coldeast;
 - The Fareham Park Project;
 - Progress with the Fareham Park Lane Recreation Ground Vision;
 - Visioning exercise for improved sports facilities at Cams Alders Recreation Ground;
 - Bath Lane Pavilion refurbishment;
 - Fareham Cultural Facilities Integration; and
 - Hook Recreation Ground drainage.

The Head of Leisure and Community answered members' questions on various matters covered in the presentation. In particular, concerns were expressed about the future of Westbury Manor Museum in light of the recent establishment of the Hampshire Solent Cultural Trust and proposals for the integration of cultural facilities in Fareham. It was reported that officers of both Hampshire County Council (HCC) and Fareham Borough Council (FBC) were in discussion about these matters. It was suggested that at a later date when the Trust was more established HCC officers be invited to a future Panel meeting to update members on progress.

A question was also raised about the range of sports facilities provided and whether more pitches could be made available for hockey players. The Head of Leisure and Community advised that a review of the playing pitch

	<p>strategy is carried out on a 5 yearly basis. Recent studies indicate that there remains a shortfall in the number of junior football and cricket pitches needed but does not indicate a need for additional pitches for hockey.</p> <p>It was AGREED that the Head of Leisure and Community be thanked for the information provided in his presentation.</p>
Outcome	Report Noted
Link Officer	Martyn George
Meeting Date	29 July 2015
<u>Subject</u>	Open Discussion About Other Potential Leisure and Community Projects and Policies
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel took part in an open discussion regarding the current leisure and community projects and priorities and other potential ones that the Panel could include in the work programme.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Miss Bell Executive Member for Leisure and Community and Councillor Mandry addressed the Panel on this item.</p> <p>The Head of Leisure and Community started the discussion by outlining all the areas that come under the Leisure and Community portfolio, the available budget, current priorities and capital projects. The service areas included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sports and Recreation • Community Development • Play Provision • Community Buildings • Cultural Facilities • Town Centre Events • Countryside and Foreshore

	<p>The Panel acknowledged that the Leisure team is one of the smallest sections in the Council and yet deliver a large scope of services. The Panel expressed their praise for all officers whose hard work ensures that the Council can continue to deliver such a wide range of Leisure & Community provision.</p> <p>Members discussed what provision they considered were the most important to residents and whether there were any provision that could be withdrawn. Members were informed that the only statutory service the Council has to provide is the allotments service.</p> <p>Members felt that all the current leisure & community provision provided by the Council were important and that there was no service that could be withdrawn that wouldn't affect the residents of the Borough.</p> <p>Members then discussed what gaps they considered there were in the current leisure and community provision in the Borough, and what items they would like to tackle in the future, whilst taking into account the financial pressures on the Council and other services that provide support for leisure and community facilities. The Panel agreed on a list of future priorities that they felt needed to be addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revenue funding for Youth Provision • Sponsorship to help reduce budget pressures • External funding to provide new activities and facilities • Volunteers to assist with the delivery of the service • Additional Countryside Ranger • Future budget for maintenance of leisure and community facilities <p>The Panel was thanked for all of its efforts and input.</p>
Outcome	Information noted
Link Officer	Martyn George
Meeting date	9 September 2015

<u>Subject</u>	Review of the New Priorities
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a verbal update from the Head of Leisure and Community on the progress made on reviewing the new priorities that we identified at the previous meeting. These priorities were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Revenue funding for Youth Provisions • Sponsorship to help reduce budget pressures • External funding to provide new activities and facilities • Volunteers to assist with the delivery of the service • Additional Countryside Ranger • Future budget for maintenance of leisure and community facilities <p>Members were informed that the Panel will be discussing these issues at a future meeting. Members were also informed that the biggest challenge will be funding for the on-going maintenance and provision of the leisure facilities that are currently available to the Borough; and that new ways to provide some of these services will need to be explored.</p> <p>The Head of Leisure and Community was thanked for his update.</p>
Outcome	Information noted
Link Officer	Martyn George
<u>Subject</u>	Titchfield Country Park - Presentation
Type of Item	Information

Action by Panel

The Panel received a presentation by the Countryside Officer on the Titchfield Country Park.

The presentation gave an outline of the proposed facilities which include; a natural play area, footpath with guided walks, a car park and zoned ecological area.

The presentation also provided information on the other potential facilities that could be provided on this site, these included an outdoor education facility and a visitor centre. Other opportunities that will be explored include a dedicated volunteer group, external grant funding and a management partnership with HIOW Wildlife Trust.

The Panel were informed the plans for the first 6 months are to install the play area and car park as well as guided walks for people to get them familiar with the site. The first year targets include collating breeding bird data, soil preparations for the first meadow grasslands and to develop the volunteer group.

Councillor Price raised concern over the lack of fencing surrounding the children's play area and how people will be prevented from allowing their dogs in the play area. The Countryside Officer explained that they feel that the more open plan look to the play area will help it to fit into its surroundings and therefore they are not keen to fence it off. In regards to the issue of dogs, he suggested that signs will be erected stating that dogs will not be allowed in the play area, and that dogs must remain on leads whilst in that area. The Chairman also expressed her concern over dogs being able to access the child's play area and suggested that natural ways be investigated to tackle these concerns. The Head of Leisure and Community addressed the Panel and explained that they are looking at providing these facilities in a different way from other similar facilities within the Borough, but assured members that their concerns would be taken on board and considered in the design of the facilities.

Councillor Knight enquired as to whether there was going to be any provision for toilets on the site as he felt that it was an essential facility to have. The Countryside Officer explained that the toilets would be incorporated into the proposed visitor centre.

The Head of Leisure and Community addressed the Panel further regarding the Panels request to employ an additional ranger. He explained that two of the ranger posts are currently being funded from developer contributions. Going forward the preference is not to employ another full time Countryside Ranger. Instead they are looking to better use the resources they have and employ temporary Rangers when needed to enable the available funding to last longer.

	<p>Lastly several members requested that a more natural material be used when designing the car park, no tarmac, as so as to be in keeping with the natural surroundings.</p> <p>It was AGREED that the Countryside Officer be thanked for his presentation.</p>
Outcome	Contents of presentation noted
Link Officer	Martyn George
<u>Subject</u>	Western Wards Leisure Centre Progress Update - Presentation
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Committee received a verbal update from the Leisure Development Manager on the progress made on the Western Wards Leisure Centre.</p> <p>The Panel was informed that construction on the site commenced in June 2015 and that works to the swimming pool and new junction are the first to be done.</p> <p>All works are progressing well, with the pool being constructed and soon to be tested for water retention.</p> <p>Councillor Trott enquired as to whether local schools would be consulted with regards to the development of the new play area. The Leisure Projects Officer confirmed that 3 local schools have been involved with the consultations on the naming of this facility and will be consulted, on the design of the new play area.</p> <p>The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, passed on her thanks to all Officers that have been involved with this project, and stated that she was delighted with its progress.</p> <p>The Leisure Development Manager was thanked for his verbal update.</p>

Outcome	Contents of presentation noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler
Meeting Date	4 November 2015
<u>Subject</u>	Review of Youth Provision - Presentation
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>At the agreement of the Chairman, this item was taken before the Work Programme report.</p> <p>The Panel received a presentation by the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services on the provision of Youth Services in the Borough.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Miss Bell Executive Member for Leisure and Community addressed the Panel on this item.</p> <p>The presentation gave an overview of the Youth Services within the Borough and how these services may be affected following pending funding cuts from Hampshire County Council. The presentation outlined the current activities and organised youth groups that are currently available to young people in the Borough, and how possible funding cuts may affect these. The only assurance provided by Hampshire County Council is that funding for vulnerable young people will continue to be provided.</p> <p>The Panel were shown a visual summary of the consultation with young people in the Borough who use these services. This highlighted the fact that young people mainly like to 'hang out' in outside areas, which in turn can create other issues with Anti-Social Behaviour.</p> <p>The presentation also outlined four possible options that the Panel could consider in relation to ways of tackling potential funding cuts. These were:</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Do Nothing • Create a Youth Activities Fund • Undertake a Review of the Community Grants Criteria • Consider potential for Mobile Youth Resource <p>Councillor Price addressed the Panel and stated that although the cuts would be a challenge the Council could not sit back and do nothing. He also expressed the importance of involving young people in deciding which services are important to them moving forward.</p> <p>The Chairman and other members expressed the importance of Outreach Workers and noted how these are an invaluable part of Youth Provision in the Borough. There could be a devastating effect on vulnerable young people if these services were cut.</p> <p>Councillor Knight expressed his desire for the Council owned building to be better used in order to provide more income which can be used to provide additional funding for youth services.</p> <p>Councillor Price raised concerns on ‘one off’ funding options and the Panel agreed that revenue would need to be reviewed on a yearly basis with the emphasis on the fact that it could not be used as a continuing source of funding.</p> <p>It was AGREED that:</p> <p>(a) the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services be thanked for his informative presentation;</p> <p>(b) the content of the presentation be noted.</p>
Outcome	Contents of presentation be noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler
Meeting date	20 January 2016
<u>Subject</u>	Presentation from Y-Services

Type of Item	Information
<p>Action by Panel</p>	<p>The Panel received a presentation from Andy Kennedy of Y-Services on the current delivery of Youth Services they provide within the Borough.</p> <p>The presentation began with a video that had been made by volunteers and Fareham young people promoting some of the activities they are involved with.</p> <p>The remaining presentation outlined details of the evening and daytime activities currently provided by Y-Services across the Borough.</p> <p>This included:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the Y-Cat meeting in November where over 65 young people from across the Borough attended a question and answer session with Councillor Woodward; (b) Play Ranger sessions and the challenge of securing funding when the contract funding arrangements expire in March 2016; and (c) Y-Services new venture at Frosthole Close where they are seeking to lease the building from the Council to set up a scrap store. <p>Andy Kennedy confirmed that the charity had reached a crossroads with the funding they receive due to the imminent cuts to Youth Services by Hampshire County Council. It is believed that Y-Services funding would be secure until September 2016. Councillor Price enquired as to how much funding Y-Services currently receive from Hampshire County Council and what they're expecting the funding cuts to be. Andy Kennedy was not able to confirm figures at this time as Y-Service don't know the extent of the cuts. Councillor Price enquired as to whether any assistance could be provided from the Community Safety Partnership as the Panel agreed there is great concern over how these cuts will affect young people in Fareham. The Head of Leisure and Environmental Services agreed to make the Community Safety Partnership aware of the need for funding and to advise on any opportunities that may arise.</p> <p>Councillor G Fazackarley left the meeting during this item at 6.35pm.</p>

	<p>It was AGREED that:</p> <p>(a) Andy Kennedy from Y-Services be thanked for his informative presentation;</p> <p>(b) the Council look into the possibility of sourcing additional funding for youth services; and</p> <p>(c) the content of the presentation be noted.</p>
Outcome	Content of presentation noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler
<u>Subject</u>	Play and Recreational Facilities – Presentation
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a presentation from the Leisure Events Manager on the Play and Recreational Facilities in the Borough.</p> <p>The presentation gave details of the 62 items of equipment which make up the Councils Play and Recreational Facilities for ages 13 and above; including:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skate Parks • Football Goals • Teen Shelters • Multi-Use Games Areas • Outdoor Gyms • Basketball Hoops • Football/Basketball Combos <p>The Leisure Events Manager outlined the work that had been undertaken to assess the equipment, including how it had been categorised as; good, average or poor and then how these results are used to identify the improvement works that are required. The Panel were shown examples of existing equipment to highlight the challenges faced with undertaking the improvements and examples of that work has already been carried out.</p>

	<p>The improvement programme will be reported to the 11 April Executive with implementation in autumn 2016.</p> <p>The Chairman invited Councillor D L Steadman to address the Panel on this item.</p> <p>Councillor D L Steadman expressed his concerns relating the Crossfell Walk Play area to the Panel and how there was only one play area in the whole of the Fareham South Ward and that this had not been refurbished since 2012. He explained that the feedback that the Council had received from residents is that Crossfell Walk Play Area does not provide enough equipment for the number of children and young people using it and that residents would like to see additional items installed.</p> <p>The Chairman agreed that Councillor D L Steadman's comments be considered by the Panel and that they would see what could be done to assist with this project going forward.</p> <p>It was AGREED that:</p> <p>(a) the Leisure Events Manager be thanked for their informative presentation; and</p> <p>(b) the content of the presentation be noted.</p>
Outcome	Content of presentation noted
Link Officer	Emma Watts
<u>Subject</u>	Western Wards Leisure Centre Progress Update
Type of Item	Information
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel received a presentation from the Leisure Development Manager updating them on the progress on the construction of the Holly Hill Leisure Centre, which has now passed the half way stage. The project is on target to complete in early July 2016.</p> <p>It was AGREED that:</p> <p>(a) the Leisure Development Manager be thanked for his informative presentation; and</p> <p>(b) the content of the presentation be noted.</p>

Outcome	Information Noted
Link Officer	Mark Bowler
<u>Subject</u>	Preliminary Overall Review of Work Programme 2015/16 and Draft Work Programme 2016/17
Type of Item	Report
Action by Panel	<p>The Panel considered a report by the Director of Operations which reviewed the Work Programme for 2015/16 and the draft work programme for 2016/17.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chairman, the Head of Leisure and Environmental Services addressed the Panel and suggested a list of items for them to consider before the March meeting where they will need to agree the final work programme for 2016/17, the Chairman then invited members to bring any suggestions forward for next year's work programme. Councillor T G Knight requested an item outlining facilities for the older population. Councillor R H Price also suggested that the new Holly Leisure Centre updates be included into the Fareham Leisure Centre as they will both be managed by Everyone Active. The Chairman proposed that a presentation by One Community be added along with a Members Tour.</p> <p>At the suggestion of the Chairman members also agreed to move the Open Spaces Improvement Programme item from the March meeting into 2016/17 programme and requested that the Cams Alders Vision Presentation be brought to the March meeting instead.</p> <p>It was AGREED that, subject to the amendments above and items suggested by members for the 2016/17, the work programme for 2015/16, as set in Appendix A to the report be approved.</p>
Outcome	Report Noted
Link Officer	Paul Doran

**FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL
POLICY FRAMEWORK**

Under the Constitution, the plans and strategies to be adopted or approved by the full Council are:-

- (a) Sustainable Community Strategy;
- (b) Housing Strategy;
- (c) Food Safety Service Plan;
- (d) Licensing Policy;
- (e) Plans and Alterations comprising the Development Plan;
- (f) Development Plan Documents;
- (g) Community Safety Strategy;
- (h) Corporate Vision, Values, Objectives and Priority Actions.

**LEISURE & COMMUNITY POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANEL -
PROPOSED WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016/17**

<u>MEETING DATES FOR 2016/17</u>	
01 June 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2016/17 • Overview of Leisure and Community Portfolio - Presentation
27 July 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2016/17 • Fareham Leisure Centre (including Holly Hill) Progress Report - Presentation
7 September 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2016/17 • Open Spaces Improvement Programme
09 November 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2016/17 • Cams Alders Vision – Presentation
18 January 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2016/17 • Y-Services
01 March 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review of Work Programme 2016/17 • Fareham Leisure Centre Performance Review • Presentation by One Community

UNALLOCATED ITEMS –

- Members Tour - Community and Youth Centres
- Leisure Centre Events
- Play Area Improvement
- Citizens Advice Bureau Presentation