

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Streetscene Scrutiny Panel (to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Thursday, 30 January 2020

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Councillor Miss T G Harper (Chairman)

Councillor G Fazackarley (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: J E Butts, Mrs L E Clubley, L Keeble, Mrs K Mandry and
R H Price, JP

Also Present: Mrs K K Trott (Item 6)



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies of absence received at this meeting.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Streetscene Scrutiny Panel meeting held on the 17 October 2019 be confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

There were no announcements made at this meeting.

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. CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOODS AND ENVIRONMENT

The Panel received a report from Mick Gore, Public Spaces Operations Manager on the performance of the Council's street cleansing operation.

At the invitation of the Chairman Councillor K K Trott joined in discussions during this item.

Members discussed the report in detail focussing on each heading in turn. The figures within the report across the cleansing service largely showed a positive outlook.

Members did raise concerns that the changes in how residents access the Hampshire County Council, Household Waste Recycling Centres from the 01 April 2020 could potentially lead to an increase in fly-tipping across the borough.

The Panel asked several questions about enforcement and discussed how enforcement directly effects the cleansing service. Officers advised that enforcement is the responsibility of the Health and Public Protection Scrutiny Panel.

Potential future topics for consideration by Health and Public Protection Scrutiny Panel were identified as: -

- Litter and fly-tipping on private land and how this can be enforced;
- Whether legislation which governs the Council's powers to issue Fixed Penalty Notices to people that allow their dogs to foul in public areas is fit for purpose; and

- Litter bins not being used appropriately with larger deposits, particularly around coastal areas which can become an eyesore during peak summer season. What enforcement powers does the Council have to deal with this matter?

Members also enquired about the action taken by the DVLA regarding untaxed vehicles on the highway. Officers advised they would investigate this further and circulate the information to members.

RESOLVED that the Panel: -

- (a) scrutinised the information set out in the report; and
- (b) ensure the Chairman of the Health and Public Protection Scrutiny Panel is advised about the queries relating to enforcement powers.

7. EXECUTIVE BUSINESS

There were no items of Executive business for the Panel to consider at this meeting.

8. STREETSCENE SCRUTINY PANEL PRIORITIES

The Chairman asked Members of the Panel to consider the Scrutiny Priorities for the Streetscene Portfolio.

RESOLVED that the Panel considered the Scrutiny Priorities for Streetscene.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 7.20 pm).