

FAREHAM

BOROUGH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel

(to be confirmed at the next meeting)

Date: Thursday, 11 July 2013

Venue: Collingwood Room - Civic Offices

PRESENT:

Miss T G Harper (Chairman)

Mrs S Pankhurst (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: J V Bryant, G Fazackarley, M J Ford, JP, D J Norris and
D C S Swanbrow

Also Present: Councillor L Keeble, Executive Member for Streetscene (items
6&8)



1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

2. MINUTES

It was AGREED that the minutes of the meeting of the Streetscene Policy Development and Review Panel held on 16 May 2013 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. STREETSCENE POLICY AND DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANEL WORK PROGRAMME

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Streetscene which reviewed the Work Programme for 2013/14. Members attention were drawn to item two of the report, revisions to the work programme, which highlighted the changes agreed at the previous meeting and proposed a change of date for the October meeting from 31 October 2013 to 24 October 2013.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Keeble addressed the Panel on this item.

It was AGREED that:-

(a) the proposed change of date be submitted to Council for approval; and

(b) the proposed work programme for 2013/14, as set out in Appendix A of the report, be endorsed.

7. REVIEW OF CORPORATE CLEANING CONTRACT

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Streetscene which gave an update on the performance of the Corporate Cleaning Contract that was awarded to Fountains Environmental Limited (now OCS) on 10 January 2011.

Members noted that the complaints regarding the Corporate Cleaning have decreased since last year, and were reassured that the Council is working

closely with the contractors to ensure that the terms and conditions of the contract are met.

It was AGREED that the content of the report be noted.

8. STREET CLEANSING SERVICES

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Streetscene on the Council's Street Cleansing Service.

The report gave an update of the Street Cleansing Service over the year, and highlighted challenges for the future.

It was AGREED that:-

(a) the Operations Manager and his team were thanked for their hard work and efforts on keeping the Borough well maintained; and

(b) the content of the report be noted.

9. FEASIBILITY OF KERBSIDE FOOD AND VEGETABLE WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE

Following a motion presented to Council on 24 April 2013, the Panel considered a report by the Director of Streetscene which investigated the feasibility of introducing a kerbside domestic food and vegetable waste collection service in the Borough.

The report was presented by the Director of Streetscene who took questions from members after each option in the report.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Keeble addressed the Panel on this item.

At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Norris addressed the Panel on this item, and thanked the Streetscene team for their efforts in looking into the feasibility of this service.

The Panel AGREED that a kerbside food and vegetable waste collection service should not be introduced at this time due to the significant capital and revenue costs that would be incurred; the detrimental effect on the environment; little evidence of resident demand and the low take-up rates in other authorities.

(The meeting started at 6.00 pm
and ended at 7.05 pm).