

Report to Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel

Date 10 September 2013

Report of: Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services

Subject: PUBLIC PROTECTION POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW

PANEL WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14

SUMMARY

The Work Programme for the year agreed by the Panel at its meeting on 12 March 2013, submitted to the Council on 25 April 2013 and subsequently reviewed by the Panel at its last meeting on 23 July 2013 is attached as Appendix A.

Members are now invited to further review this Work Programme for the year 2013/2014.

RECOMMENDATION

- (a) that the programme items as set out in Appendix A be confirmed; and
- (b) that the progress on actions since the last meeting as set out in Appendix B be noted.

INTRODUCTION

- 1. At the last meeting of the Panel, on 12 March 2013, members agreed a Work Programme for 2013/14 which was submitted to the Council at its meeting on 25 April 2013. The Work Programme is attached as Appendix A to this report.
- 2. The progress on actions since the last meeting of the Panel is attached at Appendix B, for information.
- 3. There are no significant risks associated with this report.

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- 4. The Panel is now invited to:-
 - (i) confirm the programme items as set out in Appendix A; and
 - (ii) note the progress on actions since the last meeting as set out in Appendix B.

Enquiries:

For further information on this report please contact Garry White (Ext 4395).

Appendices:-

APPENDIX A - Work Programme 2013/14

APPENDIX B - Progress on actions since the last meeting

APPENDIX A

PUBLIC PROTECTION POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND REVIEW PANEL - WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14

Date	Subject	Type of Item	Training Session/Workshop
21 May 2013	Work Programme 2013/14	Information/Consultation	
	Services Falling Within the Public Protection Remit	Presentation	
	Parking Enforcement Policy		
23 July 2013	Work Programme 2013/14	Information/Consultation	
	Annual Report on Fareham Parking Enforcement Service		
	Annual Health and Safety Performance 2012/13		
	Emergency Planning - Annual Report Report on FSA		
	Audit		
10 September 2013	Work Programme 2013/14	Information/Consultation	
	Scoping Report on Police and Crime Commissioner and Community Safety Update		
	Air Quality Action Plan Update		
12 November 2013	Work Programme 2013/14	Information/Consultation	
	Traffic Management		

Date	Subject	Type of Item	Training Session/Workshop
	Programme		
14 January 2014	Preliminary review of work programme for 2013/14 and preliminary draft work programme for 2014/15 Community	Monitoring/Programming	
	Safety Update		
11 March 2014	Review of annual work programme for 2013/14 and final consideration of draft work programme for 2014/15	Monitoring/Programming	
	Food Standards Agency Food Safety Service Plan	Consultation	

To be assigned/possible items for 2014/15:

Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel – 21 May 2013 Progress on Actions Since Last Meeting

Date of	12 March 2013		
Meeting			
Subject	Review of 2012/13 Work Programme and Draft 2013/14 Work Programme		
Type of Item	Monitoring/Programming		
Action by Panel	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services reviewing the outcome of the current 2012/13 work programme and seeking to agree a proposed draft work programme for 2013/14 (copy of report ppp-130312-r01-gwh circulated with agenda).		
	At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Cartwright addressed the Panel during the consideration of this item.		
	It was AGREED that:-		
	(a) the outcome of the work programme for 2012/13, as shown in Appendix A to the report, be noted;		
	(b) the draft work programme for 2013/14, as shown in Appendix B to the report, be amended as follows:		
	(i) the meeting on 21 May 2013 as far as possible be allocated for one specific item, a presentation covering the Services Falling Within the Public Protection Remit;		
	(ii) the Annual Health and Safety Performance 2012/13 and Emergency Planning - Annual Report items be moved to 23 July 2013;		
	(iii) the Unauthorised Encampment Policy item be removed from 21 May 2013, as this policy had now been considered and agreed by the Executive;		
	(iv) an item be added to the work programme to enable the Panel to receive an update on the Air Quality Action Plan;		
	(v) the Community Safety Update item on 14 January 2014 include reference to the Police and Crime Commissioner;		
	(vi) with reference to (v) above, the officers prepare a scoping report for the meeting on 10 September 2013 to enable members to agree which points should be covered at the meeting on 14 January;		
	(vii) the report of the Food Standards Agency audit be added to the work programme for 23 July 2013;		

	(c) the proposed work programme for 2013/14, as set out in Appendix A to these minutes, be approved; and
	(d) the proposed work programme for 2013/14 be submitted to the Council for approval.
	(u) the proposed work programme for 2013/14 be submitted to the Council for approval.
Outcome	Work programme amended as agreed and confirmed by Council on 25 April 2013.
Link Officer	Garry White
Subject	Food Standards Agency Food Safety Service Plan
Type of Item	Consultation
Action by Panel	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Food Standards Agency Food Safety Service Plan (copy of report pp-1300312-r02-jtr circulated with agenda). The report was the annual review required by the Food Standards Agency (FSA), looking back on what had been achieved in 2012/13 and setting out the aims and objectives for 2013/14.
	The Team Leader, Food, Health & Safety, and Licensing Team presented the report, drawing the Panel's attention to the changes to the plan and answering members' questions thereon.
	At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Cartwright addressed the Panel during the consideration of this item.
	It was AGREED that the Food Safety Service Plan, as shown in Appendix A to the report, be commended to the Executive.
Outcome	A report on the matter to be considered by the Executive at its meeting on 13 May 2013.
Link Officer	Juli Treacy
Subject	Contaminated Land Strategy Update
Type of Item	Monitoring
Action by	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Council's Contaminated Land
Panel	Inspection Strategy (copy of report ppp-130312-r03-wsh circulated with agenda). The report gave details of revisions to the
	Council's inspection strategy in light of recent changes to the Government's Statutory Guidance. It was noted that the Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy would be reported to the Executive.

	The Panel received a presentation from the Contaminated Land Officer illustrating various aspects of the revised strategy.
	It was AGREED that the revised Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy 2013-2018, as shown in Appendix A to the report, be commended to the Executive.
Outcome	The Executive considered the matter at its meeting on 15 April 2013 and RESOLVED that:
	 (a) the Executive notes the progress that has been made in respect of the identification and data capture of areas of potential contamination, the investigation and remediation of land through the planning regime and via voluntary means; and (b) the Executive approves the fifth revision of the Contaminated Land Inspection Strategy, attached at Appendix A to the report (xpp-130415-r11-wsh refers).
Link Officer	Wendy Shakespeare
Date of	21 May 2013
meeting	
Subject	Presentation on Services Falling Within the Public Protection Remit
Type of Item	presentation
Action by Panel	The Panel received a presentation from the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services and the Head of Community Safety and Enforcement about the services falling within the Public Protection Remit. The presentation made reference to the functions of the Panel and the areas of work undertaken within the Public Protection Portfolio, including: Environmental Health and the Fareham and Gosport Environmental Health Partnership, incorporating Air Quality, Contaminated Land, Pollution, Out of Hours Service, Dog Control, Pest Control and Food Safety; Community Safety and Enforcement, incorporating Fareham's Community Safety Partnership and CCTV, including the BRT route; Parking and Traffic Management; other Enforcement Functions including Abandoned Vehicles, Fly-Tipping, Litter/Dog Fouling, Travellers; Emergency Planning; and the Fareham and Gosport Building Control Partnership.
	At the invitation of the Chairman Councillor Cartwright addressed the Panel during the consideration of this item.
	It was AGREED that:-
	(a) the officers be thanked for their presentation;

	(b) the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services be requested to provide members with a list of services and responsible officers for them;
	(c) members wishing to attend a SNAP event as an observer, or to act as a volunteer helper for the events, be requested to contact the Head of Community Safety and Enforcement; and
	(d) members wishing to visit the CCTV Control Room be requested to contact the Head of Community Safety and Enforcement
Outcome	Complete.
Lead Officer	Garry White
Subject	Fareham Parking Enforcement Policy
Type of Item	Policy review
Action by Panel	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Fareham Parking Enforcement Policy.
	Appendix B to the report, showing the top five offences for which PCNs (Penalty Charge Notices) were issued, together with the reasons for the cancellation of some PCNs, was circulated at the meeting.
	It was AGREED that:-
	(a) the revised Parking Enforcement Policy, as shown in Appendix A to the report, be commended to the Executive for approval; and
	(b) all members be reminded to inform the officers of any hot spots or other parking problems occurring within their wards.
Outcome	Updated Fareham Parking Enforcement Policy submitted to the Executive on 10 June 2013 and approved.
Lead Officer	Kevin Wright
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Subject	Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel Work Programme 2013/14
Type of Item	programming
Action by Panel	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Panel's work programme for 2013/14.
	It was AGREED that:-
	(a) the programme items as set out in Appendix A to the report be confirmed; and
	(b) the progress on actions since the last meeting, as set out in Appendix B to the report, be noted.
Outcome	Complete.
Lead Officer	Garry White
Date of	23 July 2013
meeting	
Subject	Public Protection Policy Development and Review Panel Work Programme 2013/14
Type of Item	programming
Action by Panel	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Panel's work programme for 2013/14.
	It was AGREED that:-
	(a) the programme items as set out in Appendix A to the report be confirmed; and
	(b) the progress on actions since the last meeting, as set out in Appendix B to the report, be noted.
Outcome	Complete.
Lead Officer	Garry White
Subject	Annual Health and Safety Performance 2012/13

Type of Item	Monitoring		
Action by	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Council's health and safety		
Panel	performance in 2012/13.		
	At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Cartwright addressed the Panel during the consideration of this item.		
	It was AGREED that:-		
	(a) the work undertaken by all employees to maintain health and safety standards and, where necessary, improve health and safety performance for the benefit of all concerned during 2012/13 be noted;		
	(b) it be noted that the Council, as an employer, continues to achieve a standard of health and safety management within its activities that meets statutory requirements and demonstrates competence in health and safety management;		
	(c) the officers be congratulated on the overall performance in relation to health and safety and the Health and Safety Officer be thanked for the report; and		
	(d) subject to the inclusion of a statement concerning health and safety training for members, the report be commended to the Executive.		
Outcome	Report to go to the Executive on 2 September 2013.		
Lead Officer	Tom Rodgers		
Subject	Report on Food Standards Agency Audit		
Type of Item	Monitoring		
Action by Panel	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the Food Standards Agency Audit of the Council's Food Law Enforcement arrangements.		
	It was AGREED that:-		
	(a) it be noted that the audit had taken place and that the recommendations made, as set out in the Audit Action Plan (Appendix A to the report), also be noted;		

	(b) an update report showing progress against the plan be submitted to the Panel when it considers the Food Safety Service Plan, on 11 March 2014; and
	(c) the officers concerned be commended on the outcome of the Food Standards Agency Audit.
Outcome	Progress report to be submitted on 11 March 2014.
Lead Officer	Ian Rickman
Subject	Annual Report on Fareham Parking Enforcement Service
Type of Item	Monitoring
Action by	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on the operation of the Fareham
Panel	Parking Enforcement Service during the last twelve months.
Qutaama	Members received a presentation from the Head of Community Safety and Enforcement illustrating various aspects of the report. The presentation included an overview of the service and details of on/off-street enforcement, correspondence dealt with during 2012/13, PCNs issued and performance summary by year and reason for issue and challenges received, enforcement budget details, off-street issues, on-street issues and issues by ward. At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Cartwright addressed the Panel during the consideration of this item. It was AGREED that the report be commended to the Executive.
Outcome	Report to go to the Executive on 2 September 2013.
Lead Officer	Kevin Wright
Subject	Emergency Planning - Annual Report
Type of Item	Monitoring
Action by	The Panel considered a report by the Director of Regulatory and Democratic Services on work undertaken by the Council to

Panel	enable it to effectively respond to emergencies.
	It was AGREED that the work undertaken to enhance the Council's emergency response capability be noted and commended to the Executive.
Outcome	Report to go to the Executive on 2 September 2013.
Lead Officer	Kevin Wright