

Fareham & Gosport Environmental Health Partnership Update

Presentation Plan

1. Management arrangements and Scope
2. Current structure
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EH Partnership 2011 -

- Agreement sets out Scope*
- Head of EH – day to day management
- Partnership Panel – One Director & One elected member each Council & Head of EH (Finance/Legal as necessary)
- Councillors Pepper, Burton & Stephanie Lucking, Sarah Ward
- Finance reps as required
- Panel to meet twice a year

EH Partnership so far

- 2011 – January started to share Head of EH (Gosport EH managers retired x5)
- 2011-2013 Mini restructures of each Councils EH staffing structures
- 2012 – MOU between Council signed
- 2014 – All staff TUPE to Fareham plus single IT platform– Single structure
- 2014 – System thinking review - customer focus/savings/removal of red tape
- 2015 – Restructure – Neighbour liaison officers
- 2015 – IESE Silver award for Efficiency and innovation
- 2015 – Agreement (5 years signed)
- 2016 & 2018 Mini Restructures – a lot of changes
- 2023 – Agreement renewed

Scope

- **Licensing**
- **Health & Safety**
- Private Sector Housing
- Disabled Facilities Grants
- Environmental Protection
- Food Safety
- Animal Welfare
- Corporate H&S
- Dog Control
- Pest Control
- 24/7 OOH Service EH
- Air Quality
- Contaminated Land

Fareham only:-

- Community Safety and Safeguarding/Prevent
- Safety Advisory Group
- Car Parking and Enforcement
- General duty out of hours
- Emergency Planning
- Open Markets

Gosport Only:-

- Car Parking and Enforcement

Health & Safety at Work (Borough wide)

- Sits within Commercial Team in Environmental Health
- Officers mainly carry out Food Premises inspections (Exec Function)

- Accident investigations – RIDDOR
- Workplace complaints
- Occasionally project work

- Last year 3 x high profile issues:-
 - Scaffold collapse West Street Fareham
 - Fatality at Garden Nursery
 - Issue with an undertaker (Gosport)

Licensing

- Alcohol and Entertainment
- Hackney Carriages and Private Hire
- Gambling Premises
- Lotteries
- Skin Piercing – premises and persons
- Animal Licensing

Current Licences and registrations

	Fareham	Gosport		Fareham	Gosport
Premises Licences	246	233	Home Boarding	36	35
Club Premises Licences	26	30	Dog Boarding	16	5
Gambling Premises	8	11	Dog Breeding	8	1
Personal Licences	1835	1513	Selling Animals	5	3
Hackney Drivers	98	37	Riding Establishmen	6	0
Dual Drivers	45	40			
Private Hire Drivers	153	57	Acupuncture	41	8
Private Hire Operators	23	19	Ear Piercing	69	12
Hackney Vehicles	123	55	Electrolysis	21	2
Private Hire Vehicles	158	66	Tattooing	89	71
			Tables and Chairs	8	17
			Pavement	12	8

Current Organisation within Environmental Health

- Lots of restructures to realise savings currently 28* staff members and much wider scope
- 5 Teams - Head of EH, 1 Principal EHO Pollution/Housing and Pest Control, 1 Support Team Leader
- Reception in both councils
- ICT, mainly one system - Fareham, remote into it at Gosport/home
- Two Organisations, two sets of members and senior management – two organisational cultures / Council administration's / systems
- Each Council has different rules, different fees and charges
- Travel time

Food Safety team

4.4 FTE

**Pollution & Private Sector
Housing & Neighbour Liaison**
8.4 FTE

**Pest Control &
Dog Control**
3 FTE

**Support & Taxi
Licensing**
5 FTE

Licensing
2.7 FTE

**Corporate
H&S**
1 FTE

FAREHAM
BOROUGH COUNCIL

Financial Information

- Kept simple
- Costs split 50/50
- Agreed by each Accountant start of year and each quarter
- Income retained by Council that generate it.
- Own Licensing Panels/sub-board
- Own Legal Services

Financial Information 22/23

In recent cost of the Environmental Health Partnership are as follows:

2022/23 - £1,479,027 (£812,219 was attributable to Fareham)

2023/24 - £1,657,500

2024/25 - £1,654,900