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## EXECUTIVE MEMBER REPORT TO COUNCIL 7 SEPTEMBER 2016

## **Environment Services**

- Agreement has been reached with Bellway Homes for maintenance works to be carried out to the Bellway site off Springfield Road, Whinney Banks. This involved a one off tidy in July involving a tractor and side arm flail work, strimming and weed spraying to bring the site up to standard and would be followed by regular maintenance until March 2017.
- 2. We are carrying out works on behalf of Regeneration involving the removal of fly tipping and objects which could potentially have been used for ASB in the Diamond Road/Gresham Ward area. Operatives will continue to remove fly tipping etc as appropriate.
- 3. An inspection by DEFRA has identified a disease in the fishing lake at Albert Park. Signage has been erected informing members of the public that the lake is closed and Should reopen on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

## **Waste Policy**

4. Over the last month the Council has completed the changeover in the way recycling is collected from town centre properties – the change has been a move away from the large communal bins in the rear alleys to a front street sack collection. All the communal recycling bins in the rear alleys have now been converted to refuse bins, increasing the refuse capacity in these areas, and all properties have received their clear sacks for recycling. Along with the sacks residents also received an information leaflet which provided information on what items should be placed in the clear sacks for recycling and they were also delivered a collection calendar indicating when they should place their recycling out for collection.