

AGENDA ITEM: 10 b

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

16th November 2010

<p>COMMUNITY SAFETY and LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL</p> <p>PROGRESS REPORT</p>

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1 To inform Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board of the progress made to date by the Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel.

RECOMMENDATION

- 2 It is recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny Board approves the actions of the Community Safety and Leisure Scrutiny Panel since the last update, which was presented to this Board at its meeting of 19th October 2010.

PROGRESS OF THE PANEL

- 3 **Designated Public Place Order (DPPO).** The panel was scheduled to consider their draft report on Designated Public Place Orders at their panel meeting of 27th October. However, due to a heavy agenda the panel determined that consideration of the report be deferred until their meeting of 17th November.
- 4 **Licensing Policy.** The panel received the Review of the Licensing Act 2003 Policy Statement to their meeting in September. The panel scheduled an update on this draft, following consultation, for their meeting of 27th October. This was provided by the Environmental Health Manager during which the panel raised an number of enquiries.

- 5 **Diverting young people away from crime and ASB.** The panel's statutory duty to hold the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership to account resulted in the panel paying specific attention to one strategic priority.
- 6 Consequently the panel met in March 2010 and made enquiries into the Strategic Priority of - "Diverting young people away from crime and ASB" and enquired how this was going to be achieved etc. The panel asked for this information to be presented in 3 months, which was on then conveyed to the panel on 14th July. From the meeting it was expressed that a number of initiatives are being introduced to divert young people away from crime and anti social behaviour and that the panel would benefit from an update on this. Consequently, it was agreed that this update would be presented to the panel on the 17th November 2010.
- 7 **Dog Control.** The next subject on the Scrutiny panels work programme is Dog Control (Policies and restraint in public areas). The panel received evidence from the Environment Department (Environmental Protection manager) re Legislation, Dog Control and Enforcement and also examples of practical experiences. *The information the panel received was comprehensive and addressed the policies and practices associated with Dog Control. This included the present regulations associated with Dangerous Dogs. From the information received and the depth of enquiries undertaken the panel concluded that it would not pursue this subject and the areas being considered for its Terms of Reference had been appropriately covered. The panel was satisfied with the actions taken by the Environment department.*
- 8 **Food Star Ratings.** The next subject for panel consideration is Food Star Ratings (Controls, how applied, benefits achieved etc). Consequently, the panel is to discuss this area and determine its Terms of Reference at its meeting scheduled for 17th November.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 9 No background paper was used in the preparation of this report: -

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