Special CAT Meeting Town Centre Drug Misuse 12 June 2019

Welcome



Meeting Chairman Councillor Tom Davies

Introduction



Councillor Seán Woodward Executive Leader of Fareham Borough Council

Why we are here this evening – the agenda

- Responding to resident and business contacts about town centre drug misuse
- We want to listen to your concerns and views
- Explain how community safety partners are working together to tackle the problem and future plans
- Discuss how you can help



Residents and businesses are telling us that they are most affected by...

- Criminal activities:
 - Damage to property
 - Shop lifting
- Drug taking and dealing in public
- Begging
- Littering:
 - Drug paraphernalia
 - Bodily fluids
 - Excrement



Contributory factors

- Fareham is safe and prosperous an attractive place to come to for drug users
- Generosity of residents and businesses – helping beggars and street homeless
- Numbers of drug users as one is moved on, another takes their place



Tackling the issue – the Council

- Monthly multi-agency Partnership Action Group facilitated by Community Safety Team
- Enforcement Team
- Remove litter and belongings
- Lock down car parks in the evening
- CCTV
- Street Aid



Local Police



Inspector Sarah Nicholson

Tackling the issue – the Police

- Tackling issues in the town centre around Anti-Social Behaviour and use of drugs is our Policing Priority
- In the last two weeks, two separate seizures of drugs and three people arrested for drug supply offences
- Pursuing Criminal Behaviour Orders in Court for two aggressive beggars; one person currently in prison for Breaching an Order
- Working with the businesses in the town centre to strengthen Banning Orders





Jason Campbell

Tackling the issue - Inclusion

- Information and Advice
- Substitute Prescribing
- Needle exchange & harm minimisation
- Wellbeing and Blood Bourne Virus screening & treatment
- Group Work programs
- 1-1 support
- Peer support
- Bespoke recovery planning
- Detox
- Family Support
- In reach (QA)
- Outreach services



Recovery Hampshire

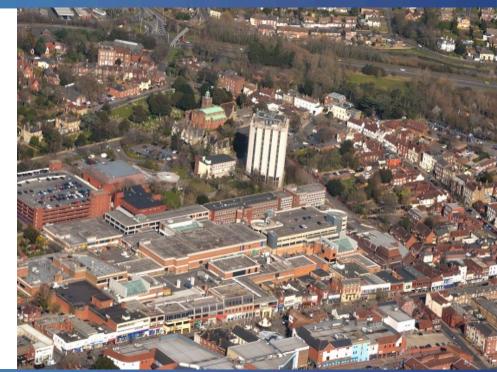
How residents and businesses can help

- Report information to the Police
- Don't give to/support street homeless/beggars – however hard it seems
- Donate to local charities working with rough sleepers:
 - One Community
 - Acts of Kindness
 - Two Saints
- Tell us where there is a problem



Next steps

- We will act on what you've told us (within current powers)
- Provide a local Police contact point <u>fareham.police@hampshire.pnn.police.uk</u>
- Provide Two Saints local point for Fareham & Gosport Outreach Fareham&GosportOutreach@twosaints.org.uk



Open Forum

Your views and questions

Speak to agencies here today







Fareham's Community Safety Partnership



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