



FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

CIVIC OFFICES CIVIC WAY FAREHAM HAMPSHIRE

Minutes of the Health and Environment Overview Panel

*Minutes of a meeting held on 15 July 2003
at the Civic Offices, Fareham*

PRESENT:

Councillor B Bayford
(Chairman)

Councillor Mrs P M Bryant
(Vice-Chairman)

Councillors: Mrs R A Godrich, Miss C S Hester and T G Knight

Also present: Councillor L Keeble (minute 4)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors D J Norris and D C Savage.

2. MINUTES

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting of the Health and Environment Overview Panel held on 20 May 2003 be confirmed and signed as a correct record. ([he-030520-m](#)).

3. CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Chairman made announcements concerning the Health Improvement Review item and a publication about the Health Service recruitment and training of staff.

4. HEALTH IMPROVEMENT REVIEW

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Community Strategy on the Health Improvement work that has been carried out in 2002-03 and that planned for 2003-04 (copy of report [he-030715-r01-jmi](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

Everyone present was invited to contribute during the consideration of the item, which was supplemented by a presentation by the Head of Community, the Community & Health Development Manager and the Health Improvement Officer.

As part of the presentation, the officers highlighted how the Council's commitment to improving the health of local people is highlighted through three of the Council's six Corporate Aims and Objectives. In order to actively involve members in the review process, all members and officers present were asked to consider three particular issues relating to health, which were:

- (i) What does being healthy mean to you?
- (ii) Which factors contribute to poor health?
- (iii) Looking at the issues of health from a Borough Council perspective, what could the Council do to improve the health of the local community?

Details of the presentation and matters raised during the 'brainstorming session' are attached as an [Appendix](#) to the minutes.

It was NOTED that the review, incorporating the points arising from the 'brainstorming session', would be further considered at the Panel meeting on 2 March 2004.

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that the officers be thanked for their presentation and report;
- (b) that Panel members endeavour to attend future health promotional activities arranged by the Council;
- (c) that the officers be requested to keep Panel members informed of forthcoming promotional events by circulating flyers to them;
- (d) that the possibility of arranging promotional activities at major fayres, fetes and similar events in the Borough be considered; and
- (e) that the possibility of the Council obtaining a dedicated publicity screen/display be investigated.

5. REVIEW OF BEST VALUE ACTION PLAN FOR PUBLIC CONVENIENCES

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Leisure and Environment on the progress of the Review of the Best Value Action Plan for Public Conveniences (copy of report [he-030715-r07-aos](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that the progress of the Review to date be noted;
- (b) that the Leisure Overview Panel be requested to investigate whether the public conveniences at Cams Alders, which had been closed following repeated vandalism, had a notice displayed explaining the exact reason for the closure;
- (c) that it be recommended to the Executive that the replacement of the public conveniences at the Lockwood District Centre, Locks Heath should have a high priority;
- (d) that the Executive be advised that the Panel recommends that there should be an adequate budget for the maintenance of public conveniences, with particular reference to the repair or renewal of vandalised facilities;
- (e) that the Executive be advised that there should be a long-term plan for the replacement of public conveniences;
- (f) that it be recommended to the Executive that the replacement of the public conveniences at Cliff Road, Hill Head should be a high priority and that the possibility of working with Hampshire County Council over the provision of replacement facilities in that area be investigated;
- (g) that the current situation with regard to the contract for the cleaning and carrying out of minor repairs to the Council's public conveniences, as detailed in the report, be noted;
- (h) that it be noted that the public conveniences at Fareham Bus Station would be closed and removed when the new facilities in the Market Quay development were opened;
- (i) that the Executive be requested to investigate the possible provision of additional facilities in conjunction with the developer of the former foundry site;
- (j) that the officers be requested to carry out a review of access to the public conveniences in the Borough; and

5. Contd.

- (k) that the Executive be advised that the Council should be proud of its policy of maintaining 21 public conveniences in the Borough despite the cost and the fact that it was not required to provide any at all.

6. DOG CONTROL SERVICE

The Panel considered a report by the Chief Health and Regulatory Services Officer on the Dog Control Service and the type and range of work undertaken by the service (copy of report [he- 030715-r04-gwh](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that the officers be congratulated on the excellent service provided;
- (b) that the current Police review of the local arrangements for dealing with stray dogs be noted;
- (c) that details of any promotions regarding the service be circulated to Panel members; and
- (d) that it be noted that there would be a pet microchipping promotion at the Lockwood District Centre on 17 August 2003.

7. CLEAN AND TIDY BOROUGH REVIEW – PROGRESS UPDATE

The Panel considered a report by the Director of Corporate and Community Strategy on the progress of the Best Value Clean and Tidy Borough Review (copy of report [he-030715-r03-gch](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

Corrections to the report were noted as follows:

Page 4, paragraph 18, Revenue column, Community Engagement Total - amend from £9,000 to £8,500; and Total – amend from £99,000 to £98,500;

Appendix C - delete the pages of comments following the action plan which were printed in error.

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that it be recommended that, in view of its success, the Challenge Team be retained as part of the Clean and Tidy Borough Review Action Plan Implementation process;
- (b) that the membership and reporting arrangements for the Phase 3 implementation team, as detailed in paragraphs 22 – 24 of the report, be approved; and

8. Contd.

- (c) that the Action Plan, as detailed in Appendix C to the report, be recommended to the Executive for corporate adoption and implementation.

8. INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONTROL

The Panel considered a report by the Chief Health and Regulatory Services Officer on the control of the spread of infectious disease within the Borough in accordance with The Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984 and the Public Health (Infectious Disease) Regulations 1988 (copy of report [he-030715-r05-gwh](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that, in future reports of this nature, Appendix A be expanded to show details of infectious disease and food poisoning by type for previous years to facilitate identification of trends and projections; and
- (b) that it be noted that the above information would be included as part of the Food Service Plan that will be reported to the Panel at its meeting on 6 January 2004.

9. FOOD SAFETY PROSECUTION

The Panel considered a report by the Chief Health and Regulatory Services Officer giving details of a recent prosecution under the Food Safety Act 1990 (copy of report [he-030715-r08-iri](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

It was AGREED that a further report be submitted following the next inspection of the premises concerned.

10. OVERVIEW PANEL – WORK PROGRAMME

The Panel reviewed its work programme for the year as agreed at the last meeting (copy of programme [he-030715-r06-cbe](#) circulated with agenda and appended to signed minutes).

It was AGREED:-

- (a) that Air Quality Review and Assessment be deleted from the Programme for 15 July 2003 and added to the Programme for 9 September 2003;
- (b) that one of the two items headed 'Ongoing Review of the Work Programme' on the Programme for 9 September 2003 be deleted;

10. Contd.

- (c) that Environmental Monitoring be deleted from the Programme for 9 September 2003 and added to the Programme for 6 January 2004; and
- (d) that Notice of Motion – Well-Man Campaign be added to the Programme for 9 September 2003.

(The meeting started at 6:00pm
and ended at 7:55pm)

APPENDIX