

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 27 MAY 2021

Present: Councillor P Lally, Chair

Councillors: D Bagshaw
B C Carr
S Dannheimer
J C Goold
H Land
J P T Parker
P Roberts-Thomson
C M Tideswell
D D Pringle (Substitute)
D Grindell (Substitute)
E Kerry (Substitute)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Fletcher, R I Jackson, S Kerry, R D MacRae and M Brown.

1 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

2 MINUTES

The minutes of the previous meeting, held on 4 March 2021, were confirmed and signed as a correct record.

3 UPDATE FROM NEIGHBOURHOOD POLICING INSPECTOR

The Committee received an update on policing in the Borough from the Neighbourhood Policing Inspector.

4 UPDATE ON THE POLICE AND CRIME PANEL

The Committee noted a statement read out by Councillor D Grindell on behalf of Councillor R D MacRae on the work of the Police and Crime Panel.

RESOLVED that a letter be sent to the former Police and Crime Commissioner thanking him for his support, and that a letter be sent to the new Police and Crime Commissioner welcoming her to the role.

5 TROWELL ODOUR ISSUE

The Committee had been expecting a verbal update on the Trowell odour issue from the Environment Agency, but their representative sent apologies and instead submitted a statement outlining their stance.

The Committee noted its disappointment and frustration at the lack of engagement from the Environment Agency on this serious issue.

6 FOOD SERVICE PLAN 2021- 22

The Committee considered the Food Service Plan.

The plan describes how the service is discharged and details the numbers, types and priority ratings of the Borough's food premises, the frequencies of planned interventions, sampling programmes, health promotion activities, reactive work, including responding to food complaints, food hazard warnings and investigating cases of infectious disease.

Consideration was given to the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on food safety inspections. It was noted that the high risk category included Care Homes and that inspections had not been allowed to take place at the height of the pandemic. It was also noted that the Food Standards Agency were to outline their expectations, as to how to go forward with inspections, in the near future.

RESOLVED that the Food Service Plan 2021-22 be approved.

7 PURPLE FLAG ACCREDITATION SCHEME

The Purple Flag scheme offers accreditation to town centres for the safe management of their evening and night time economies. It was noted that the town centres in Broxtowe were not big enough to receive formal accreditation and the intention was to implement a number of aspects of the scheme.

The Committee discussed the role of Pub Watch in barring nuisance drinkers from establishments, banning orders and the use of street pastors. It was considered that a media strategy would be developed alongside the plan to make the public aware of the work being done to promote safety for those enjoying the night time economy.

RESOLVED that the proposed Purple Flag Action Plan be approved.

8 SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME

The Committee noted the Council's involvement in the Serious and Organised Crime Pilot.

9 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN - COMMUNITY SAFETY - OUTTURN REPORT

The Committee noted the Council's progress against outcome targets identified in the Community Safety and Health Business Plan.

There was a discussion about the collation of data on Acceptable Behaviour Contracts and Community Protection Warnings.

It was noted that the Health and Older People Partnership Action Plan had been written and would be presented to the forthcoming meeting of the Leisure and Health Committee.

10 WORK PROGRAMME

It was decided that the Armed Forces Covenant should be heard by Leisure and Health Committee.

It was agreed that an item on Bicycle Theft should be added to the 9 September 2021 meeting. Items on the Community Trigger and Hate Crime Strategy were added to 11 November 2021 meeting.

The Committee discussed inviting the new Police Crime Commissioner to attend a meeting. It was decided that further consideration needed to be given to how best to proceed to accommodate her diary and to ensure as many Councillors as possible could put their views and concerns to her.

RESOLVED that the Work Programme, as amended, be approved.