

COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMITTEE

9 NOVEMBER 2017

Present: Councillor J Goold, Chair

Councillors: D Bagshaw
M Brown
E Cubley
D A Elliott
G Harvey
S Kerry
L Fletcher (substitute)
A W G A Stockwell (substitute)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors R I Jackson, J M Owen, J C Patrick and M Radulovic MBE.

17. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

18. **MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held on 21 September 2017 were confirmed and signed.

19. **PRESENTATION BY BROXTOWE WOMEN'S PROJECT**

The Committee received a presentation by a representative of Broxtowe Women's Project.

There was concern regarding the continuing threat to women from abusive partners after they had escaped from abuse. It was noted that the practical assistance that councillors could offer to Broxtowe Women's Project included raising awareness, participating in the White Ribbon scheme, having a domestic abuse policy, referring victims to them and taking up their awareness training.

20. **TECHNOLOGY DRIVE, BEESTON OFF-STREET CAR PARKING ORDER, 2018**

The Committee considered an informal consultation on the construction of an off-street car park at Technology Drive, Beeston.

It was noted that there had been no responses to the informal consultation. The section 106 agreement for the Beeston Business Park development had recently been signed, bringing the commencement of construction on the car park another step closer. It was also noted that the Finance and Resources Committee had approved improvements to disabled access to platform 2.

RESOLVED that delegated authority be given to the Chief Executive and the Interim Deputy Chief Executive to finalise and undertake the required publication of the Notice of Proposals.

21. CHILD POVERTY ACTION 2016/17 PLAN UPDATE

The Committee noted the update on the Child Poverty Action Plan 2016-17.

Discussion centred on the pockets of deprivation that existed within the Borough. It was requested that councillors be given the opportunity to feed into the initial stages of the renewed plan that was being prepared for 2018-2020.

22. CHILWELL RETAIL PARK PUBLIC SPACES PROTECTION ORDER

The Committee considered the responses to the consultation regarding the proposed Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO). There had been six responses to the consultation, all supporting the implementation of the PSPO.

There was a discussion regarding the installation of speed humps by the operator of Chilwell Retail Park. The intention had been to calm traffic, but the speed humps were poorly designed and, after numerous complaints, they had been removed. The Committee noted that it was the stated intention of the operator to redesign and reinstall the speed humps.

RESOLVED that in accordance with the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 a Designated Public Space Order be created in respect of Chilwell Retail Park as detailed in the appendix.

23. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT – REVIEW OF BUSINESS PLAN PROGRESS – COMMUNITY SAFETY AND HEALTH

The Committee considered the progress against targets in the Community Safety and Health Business Plan.

It was noted that the Contaminated Land Strategy was behind schedule, but that the responsible officer was to return to work shortly, having been on maternity leave.

There was a discussion about the indicator for antisocial behaviour which provided a percentage for cases closed within three months. It was

considered that this was not illustrative enough and the Committee requested that a figure for the number of cases be provided.

24. WHITE RIBBON CAMPAIGN

The Committee considered the proposal to apply for the White Ribbon Campaign Council's Award. The many kinds of abuse were noted, though it was acknowledged that the largest proportion of domestic abuse is violence committed by men against women. The White Ribbon Campaign encourages men to reject violence against women and 25 November 2017 is the international day for the elimination of violence against women.

Consideration was given to the action plan that would lead to the award of the status. It was noted that whilst the White Ribbon Campaign focused on the eradication of violence towards women, the Council's Domestic Abuse Strategy targeted all violence against partners.

There followed a discussion about whether the Town Centre Information Days were the best forum to promote the White Ribbon Campaign, given that the advice from the group itself suggested informal events. It was requested that carnivals and events such as the Hemlock Happening might be more appropriate.

RESOLVED that approval be granted for the Council to apply for the White Ribbon Campaign Councils' Award.

25. WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee considered the Work Programme.

RESOLVED that the Work Programme be approved.