ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL

Tuesday, 1st March, 2016, 6.30 pm - Civic Centre, High Road, Wood Green, N22 8LE

Members: Councillors Adam Jogee (Chair), Patrick Berryman, John Bevan, Barbara Blake, Sarah Elliott, Bob Hare and Sheila Peacock

Co-optees/ **Non Voting Members:** Mr I. Sygrave (Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches)

Quorum: 3

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2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

3. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

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5. DEPUTATIONS/PETITIONS/PRESENTATIONS/QUESTIONS

To consider any requests received in accordance with Part 4, Section B, Paragraph 29 of the Council's Constitution.

6. MINUTES (PAGES 1 - 6)

To approve the minutes of the meeting of 18 January 2016.

7. VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS

To report on;

- The Violence Against Women and Girls strategy;
- Current performance issues; and
- Progress to date with the implementation of the recommendations of the Scrutiny Review on Violence Against Women and Girls. (TO FOLLOW)

8. TEAM NOEL PARK PILOT

To provide an update on progress and outcomes to date with the Team Noel Park pilot. (TO FOLLOW)

9. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE (PAGES 7 - 14)

To consider the future work plan for the Panel.

10. NEW ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

To consider any items admitted at item 3 above.

11. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

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Monday, 22 February 2016

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Agenda Item 6

MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY PANEL MONDAY, 18 JANUARY 2016

Councillors	Adam Jogee	(Chair),	Patrick Berryman,	John Bevan,
	Barbara Blake an	d Sygrave		

Co-Optees Mr I. Sygrave (Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches)

CSP49. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Elliott, Hare and Peacock.

CSP50. ITEMS OF URGENT BUSINESS

None.

CSP51. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

CSP52. DEPUTATIONS/ PETITIONS/ PRESENTATIONS/ QUESTIONS

None.

CSP53. MINUTES

In respect of item 31 – Licensees – it was noted that Councillor Barbara Blake was still awaiting further information regarding Wood Green Pubwatch. It was agreed that an update on the issue would be requested for the next Panel meeting and that the issue of the late night levy would be added to the work plan. It was also agreed that further information on progress would be sought in respect of item 35 – Community Engagement and Confidence.

AGREED:

- That an update on the progress of joint action by the Council and the Police to improve engagement with licensees be requested for the next Panel meeting on 1 March;
- 2. That the issue of the late night levy be added to the Panel's work plan;
- 3. That a briefing note for Panel Members be requested on progress with work being undertaken to improve community engagement and confidence;
- 4. That the minutes of the meeting of 12 November be approved.

CSP54. APPOINTMENT OF NON VOTING CO-OPTED MEMBER

AGREED:

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- 1. That a representative from Haringey Association of Neighbourhood Watches be appointed as a non voting co-opted Member of the Panel for the remainder of the 2015/16 Municipal Year; and
- 2. That the appointment of non voting co-opted Members to the Panel be reviewed on an annual basis at the first meeting of the Municipal Year.

CSP55. CABINET MEMBER QUESTIONS; CABINET MEMBER FOR ENVIRONMENT

The Chair reported that Councillor Stuart McNamara, the Cabinet Member for Environment, was unable to attend the meeting and had sent his apologies. He had stated that he was happy to answer any question that might arise regarding his portfolio.

The Panel raised the following issues:

- It was felt that there was no longer a need for the loading bay located outside the former Swan public house on Philip Lane in Tottenham. It was felt to be slowing traffic flow in the area. Ann Cunninghan, Head of Traffic Management, reported that this had already been raised with Transport for London (TfL) but they were reluctant to remove it. Council officers were nevertheless supportive of its removal and agreed to raise the issue again with TfL and to take it up at a higher level, if necessary.
- In respect of the Council car park in Bury Road, Wood Green, Ms Cunningham reported that a capital bid had been by made to fund works there but they were yet to receive the result of this. The service yard at the car park had been the major issue. Vincent Valerio, the Parking Schemes Manager, reported that income from the car park had increased by 10% in the past year. This was thought to be due to improved signage and an increase in tariff. The bid had been for work to close off the whole of the service yard. The work to develop the bid had been challenging due to the number of sub tenants but they were now all agreeable to the plans. A careful approach was nevertheless necessary in respect of the development of the car park as the Council did not wish to over encourage people to drive to the shopping centre.
- There was currently no Council policy in respect of how long memorials in parks to people who had died were kept in place. Their removal was a sensitive issue but it was not desirable to have memorials in place permanently and there needed to be clarity on how long they should remain in place.
- Park staff and annualised hours; The Panel felt that it was desirable for parks staff to work annualised hours as this would enable them to work longer hours during the summer when work demands were higher and shorter hours in winter, when there was less to do. An update on plans to develop this was requested.

AGREED:

That the above mentioned issues be referred to the Cabinet Member for Environment for response.

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CSP56. UPDATE ON PROGRESS: INTERIM SCRUTINY REPORT ON STRATEGIC PARKING ISSUES AHEAD OF THE TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR REDEVELOPMENT

Vincent Valerio, Parking Schemes Manager, reported on progress with the implementation of recommendations arising from the interim scrutiny report of strategic parking issues ahead of the Tottenham Hotspur redevelopment as follows:

Recommendation 1: The Special Event Day (SED) scheme involved a charge of £10 per event day and had so far raised circa £25,000. This was below the anticipated amount but the number of bays were due to be increased as part of phase 2 of the scheme.

Recommendation 2: The service would ensure that SED parking was not introduced in residential streets.

Recommendation 3: Car parks in Tottenham had recently been re-awarded "Park Mark" status, which meant that they had met minimum standards in terms of maintenance and safety. Work had been undertaken with officers in Regeneration to utilise the Westerfield Road car park as a pop up box park. It was noted that this would not entail any loss of income.

Recommendation 4: It was noted that this had been financed through the Mayor's regeneration fund.

Recommendation 5: The only local authority that regulated "pop up" parking was Trafford. This was a voluntary scheme that promoted desirable criteria, such as car parks being manned and lit. The service was liaising with the Legal Service on the feasibility of regulation but a decision needed to be made on whether a licensing scheme was wanted. This was not something that any London boroughs with similar issues had been able to introduce so far. It was nevertheless worth exploring further. One option would be to publicise approved areas but the Council was also trying to discourage people travelling to matches by car. Panel Members stated that schools and community organisations had benefitted from pop up parking. They were of the view that regulating pop up parking, although an issue, should not be a major priority for the Council at the moment.

Panel Members raised the issue of fleets of business vehicles being parked on non controlled residential streets and whether there was anything that could be done to regulate this. Officers agreed to report back on this issue in due course.

In answer to a question, Ms Cunningham reported that the Council was not required to remove abandoned vehicles from private land. It could nevertheless be done but a charge would be made for it.

Recommendation 6: The works on Philip Lane had been undertaken successfully.

AGREED:

1. That, in view of the labour intensive nature of work to investigate the feasibility of regulating "pop up" parking and the low level of complaints on match days regarding it, such work be given a low priority; and

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2. That the Head of Traffic Management be requested to investigate the issue of whether it is possible for action to be taken to address the issue of the parking of fleets of business vehicles on non controlled residential streets and report back progress to the Panel in due course.

CSP57. WASTE STREET, CLEANSING AND RECYCLING: CURRENT PERFORMANCE

Graham Jones, Interim Neighbourhood Action Team Manager, reported on current performance in respect of street cleansing. In answer to a question, he stated that the term "detritus" referred to material that accumulated in gaps in the pavement. Performance for litter, detritus and removal of graffiti had been meeting targets consistently since 2014, with targets missed only very occasionally.

In response to a question, he stated that graffiti on private land was theoretically not the Council's responsibility to remove. However, it was something that could be done, especially if it was offensive or racist. It was not something that happened very often though.

Performance in respect of fly posting was not as good as in other areas of street cleansing. The figures included small business-card size emergency window replacement stickers, which appeared on the window frames of many shops. Dealing with these had proven difficult. Shop keepers were asked to remove the stickers. Although it was not a major issue, it nevertheless showed in the figures. It was noted that performance statistics were not consistent in the way that they were produced across all local authorities. Haringey had set low thresholds and this was reflected in its figures.

In respect of fly posting, Panel Members did not feel that shop fronts should be included in the figures as it was be the responsibility of shop keepers to remove stickers. If shop keepers failed to remove stickers, a penalty notice could be served on them. They felt that relevant traders associations should be contacted and the issue raised with them.

Panel Members reported that fly tipping was the source of a lot of complaints from residents and there was frustration that the Council seemed powerless to deal with it. It was felt that much of this was caused by irresponsible landlords and that offenders should be prosecuted. Mr Jones reported that every effort was made to take people to court but it was necessary to prove who was the cause of the fly tipping and this could be difficult as a high level of evidence was required.

It was noted that performance on fly tipping continued to be an issue and current figures showed levels far above target levels. The introduction of the Council app had seen an improvement in levels of reporting. A fly tipping strategy was being developed with partners to address the issue.

Tom Hemming, Waste Strategy Manager, reported on performance in respect of waste and recycling. The figures for recycling were short of current target levels although performance had improved year-on-year. There was currently less demand for recycled metal and the recycling industry was now more selective in what they would accept.

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Panel Members raised the issue of stickers placed on bins to show what they were intended to be used for. These could fade and needed to be re-issued from time-to-time. Mr Jones reported that it was intended to do this and that the stickers would be pictorial to ensure clarity. The stickers would be put on by Veolia rather than residents.

AGREED:

- 1. That the Panel be provided with an update on statistics for the number of prosecutions against people for fly tipping;
- 2. That it be recommended that, if possible, figures for window replacement stickers on shop fronts be no longer included in fly posting performance data as their removal is not the direct responsibility of the Council;
- 3. That traders associations be contacted regarding the removal of window replacement stickers on shop fronts and, in particular, the responsibility of shop keepers to remove them;
- 4. That the Panel be provided with respective figures for the total amount of funding for street cleansing and the cost of addressing fly tipping; and
- 5. That an update be provided to the next meeting of the Panel on progress with the Team Noel Park pilot.

CSP58. WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE

AGREED:

- 1. That the future work programme be noted; and
- 2. That the draft scope and terms of reference for the Panel's review on community safety in parks be approved.

Cllr Adam Jogee Chair

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Report for:	Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel – 1 March 2016
Item number:	
Title:	Work Plan Update
Report	

authorised by: Bernie Ryan, Assistant Director of Corporate Governance

Lead Officer: Robert Mack, Principal Scrutiny Support Officer, 020 8489 2921 rob.mack@haringey.gov.uk

Ward(s) affected: All

Report for Key/ N/A **Non Key Decision:**

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 This report gives details of the proposed work programme for the remainder of the municipal year.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

N/A

3. Recommendations

- (a) To consider the future work programme, attached as **Appendix A**, and whether any amendments are required.
- (b) That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be asked to endorse any amendments, at (a) above, at its next meeting.
- (c) To note a verbal update on progress with the Panel's review on cycling.

4. Reasons for decision

4.1 The work programme for the Panel was agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on 27 July 2015. Arrangements for implementing the work programme have progressed and the latest plans for Panel meetings are outlined in Appendix A.

5. Alternative options considered

5.1 The Panel could choose not to review its work programme however this could diminish knowledge of the work of Overview and Scrutiny and would fail to keep the full membership updated on any changes to the work programme.



6. Background information

- 6.1 The careful selection and prioritisation of work is essential if the scrutiny function is to be successful, achieve added value and retain credibility. On 8 June 2015, at its first meeting of the municipal year, the Overview and Scrutiny Committee agreed a process for developing the 2015/16 scrutiny work programme.
- 6.2 Following this meeting a number of activities took place, including a public survey and Scrutiny Cafe, where over 90 suggestions, including those from members of the public were discussed by scrutiny members, council officers, partners, and community representatives. From these activities issues were prioritised and an indicative work programme agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in late July.
- 6.3 Therefore, whilst Scrutiny Panels are non-decision making bodies, i.e. work programmes must be approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, this item gives the Panel an opportunity to oversee and monitor its work programme, attached at **Appendix A**, and to suggest amendments.
- 6.4 The Panel is currently approaching the conclusion of its review on cycling and a verbal update on this will be provided at the meeting. In addition, the Panel has agreed to undertake a review on community safety in parks. This will begin once the review on cycling has concluded.

Forward Plan

- 6.5 Since the implementation of the Local Government Act and the introduction of the Council's Forward Plan, scrutiny members have found the Plan to be a useful tool in planning the overview and scrutiny work programme. The Forward Plan is updated each month but sets out key decisions for a 3 month period.
- 6.6 To ensure the information provided to the Panel is up to date, a copy of the most recent Forward Plan can be viewed via the link below:

http://www.minutes.haringey.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RP=110&RD=0&J=1

6.7 The Panel may want to consider sections of the Forward Plan, relevant to the Panel's terms of reference, and discuss whether any of these items require further investigation or monitoring via scrutiny.

7 Contribution to strategic outcomes

- 7.1 The individual issues included within the work plan were identified following consideration by relevant Members and officers of Priority 3 of the Corporate Plan and the objectives linked. Their selection was specifically based on their potential to contribute to strategic outcomes.
- 8 Statutory Officers comments (Chief Finance Officer (including procurement), Assistant Director of Corporate Governance, Equalities)

Finance and Procurement



8.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations set out in this report. Should any of the work undertaken by Overview and Scrutiny generate recommendations with financial implications then these will be highlighted at that time.

Legal

- 8.2 There are no immediate legal implications arising from this report.
- 8.3 Under Section 21 (6) of the Local Government Act 2000, an Overview and Scrutiny Committee has the power to appoint one or more sub-committees to discharge any of its functions.
- 8.4 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the approval of the future scrutiny work programme and the appointment of Scrutiny Panels (to assist the scrutiny function) falls within the remit of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
- 8.5 Scrutiny Panels are non-decision making bodies and the work programme and any subsequent reports and recommendations that each scrutiny panel produces must be approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Such reports can then be referred to Cabinet or Council under agreed protocols.

Equality

- 8.6 The Council has a public sector equality duty under the Equalities Act (2010) to have due regard to:
 - Tackle discrimination and victimisation of persons that share the characteristics protected under S4 of the Act. These include the characteristics of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex (formerly gender) and sexual orientation;
 - Advance equality of opportunity between people who share those protected characteristics and people who do not;
 - Foster good relations between people who share those characteristics and people who do not.
- 8.7 The Panel should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them within its work plan and those of its panels, as well as individual pieces of work. This should include considering and clearly stating;
 - How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share the nine protected characteristics;
 - Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate;
 - Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Haringey;
 - Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people, are being realised.
- 8.8 The Panel should ensure that equalities comments are based on evidence. Wherever possible this should include demographic and service level data and evidence of residents/service-users views gathered through consultation.



9 Use of Appendices

Appendix A – Work Programme

10 Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

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Work Programme 2015/16 - Environment and Community Safety Scrutiny Panel

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Details and desired outcome	Lead Officer / Witnesses
29 June 2015	Corporate Plan Priority 3 - Delivery Plan	 In order to inform the development of the work plan for 2015/16, to receive a presentation on actions to address Priority 3 within the Council's Corporate Plan; "A clean, well maintained and safe borough where people are proud to live and work". 	Alison Crowe – Programme Manager, Environment and Community Safety
	Work Programme Update	 To agree the items for prioritisation within the work plan for the Panel for recommendation to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. 	Rob Mack – Principal Scrutiny Support Officer
13 October 2015	Cabinet Member Q&A Environment	 To question the Cabinet Member for Environment on current issues and plans arising for his portfolio. 	Cllr Stuart McNamara, Cabinet Member of Environment, and officers
	Reducing Waste	- To consider action to change behaviour to reduce the amount of waste (including fly tipping) requiring disposal, including the balance between enforcement and encouragement and reference to approaches followed in other boroughs(Newham suggested as a particularly good example	Tom Hemming – Waste Strategy Manager, Environment and Community Safety NLWA
	Update on progress with the implementation of the recommendations of the	 To update the Panel on progress with the implementation of the Waste and Recycling scrutiny review and bring current issues to the attention of the 	Tom Hemming – Waste Strategy Manager, Environment and Community Safety

	Scrutiny Review of Waste and Recycling Parts I and II: New waste and recycling system and further policy options to increase recycling.	Panel.	Graham Jones – Interim Neighbourhood Action Team Manager, Environment and Community Safety Veolia
	Finsbury Park Events Scrutiny	- To update the Panel on emerging recommendations from the review on Finsbury Park events being undertaken by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in order that any comments/observations may be fed in.	Cllr Wright – Chair of Overview and Scrutiny Committee
	Scoping report on Cycling project.	 To agree the scope and terms of reference of the Panel's in depth piece of work on cycling. 	Rob Mack – Principal Scrutiny Support Officer
12 November 2015	Cabinet Member Q&A Communities	 To question the Cabinet Member for Communities on current issues and plans arising for her portfolio. 	Cllr Bernice Vanier, Cabinet Member for Communities, and officers
	Community Safety Partnership	 To invite comments from the Panel on current performance issues and priorities for the borough's Community Safety Partnership. To include the following: Crime Performance Statistics; Update on performance in respect of the MOPAC priority areas plus commentary on emerging issues. Neighbourhood Policing Model; Latest developments in respect of the Neighbourhood Policing Model and its implications for Haringey and the future of Tottenham Police Station. Community Engagement and Confidence; Plans by the Community Safety Partnership to engage 	Eubert Malcolm – Head of Community Safety and Regulatory Services Claire Kowalska – Community Safety Strategic Manager Amanda Dellar – Deputy Police Borough Commander

		with the community and increase levels of confidence.	
	Licensees	 To report back on work undertaken by the Police to develop improved links between licensees within the borough and community safety and regulatory agencies. 	Daliah Barrett – Regulatory Services Manager, Environment and Community Safety
18 January 2016	Cabinet Member Q&A Environment	 To question the Cabinet Member for Environment on current issues and plans arising for his portfolio 	Cllr Stuart McNamara, Cabinet Member of Environment, and officers
	Waste, recycling and street cleansing data	 To consider and comment on the latest recycling and street cleansing data 	Tom Hemming – Waste Strategy Manager, Environment and Community Safety
	Update on progress: Interim scrutiny report on strategic parking issues ahead of the Tottenham Hotspur redevelopment.	 To monitor progress with the implementation of the recommendations of the review. 	Ann Cunningham – Head of Traffic Management, Environment and Community Safety.
	Community Safety in Parks	- To approve the scope and terms of reference for this review.	Chair
1 March 2016	Cabinet Member Q&A Communities	- To question the Cabinet Member for Communities on current issues and plans arising for her portfolio.	Cllr Bernice Vanier, Cabinet Member for Communities, and officers

	Violence Against Women and Girls.	 To report on; The Violence Against Women and Girls strategy; Current performance issues; and Progress to date with the implementation of the recommendations of last year's scrutiny review. 	Victoria Hill Interim Strategic Violence Against Women and Girls Lead
	Licensees	- To report back on progress with work undertaken by the Police to develop improved links between licensees within the borough and community safety and regulatory agencies.	Daliah Barrett – Regulatory Services Manager, Environment and Community Safety
	Team Noel Park Pilot	- To report on progress with the Noel Park Pilot	Tom Hemming – Waste Strategy Manager, Environment and Community Safety

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Action by the Police to Improve Confidence

Night Time Levy