# Community Board 30 JUNE 2014

## A MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD WAS HELD 30 JUNE 2014 AT 6PM

Chairman of the Policy and Organisation Board (Councillor Hook) (ex-officio) (P), Bateman (P), Mrs Batty (P), Burgess (P), Mrs Cully (P), Dickson (P), Edgar (P), Foster-Reed (P), Hazel, Mrs Hook (P), Hylands (P), Mrs Morgan (P), Murphy

It was reported that in accordance with Standing Order 2.3.6, Councillors Allen and Gill had been nominated to replace Councillors Hazel and Murphy for this meeting.

## 7. APOLOGIES

Apologies for inability to attend the meeting were received from The Mayor, Councillors Murphy and Hazel.

# 8. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS OF THE COMMUNITY BOARD HELD ON 10 MARCH 2014, EXTRAORDINARY 9 APRIL 2014 AND 5 JUNE 2014

**RESOLVED:** That the Minutes of the meetings of the Community Board held on 10 March 2014, 9<sup>th</sup> April 2014 and 5 June 2014, be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

## 9. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

- Councillor Hook declared a non pecuniary interest in item 8, Gosport Music Festival 2014
- Councillor Mrs Hook declared a non pecuniary interest in item 8, Gosport Music Festival 2014
- Councillor Hylands declared a pecuniary interest in item 6, Environmental Health (Commercial) Service Plan 2014/15
- Councillor Foster-Reed declared a non pecuniary interest in item 8, Gosport Music Festival 2014

## 10. **DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations.

## 11. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

# PART II

## 12. ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH (COMMERCIAL) SERVICE PLAN 2014/15

# Councillor Hylands declared a pecuniary interest in this item remained in the meeting room and took part in the discussion and voting thereon.

Consideration was given to a report by the Housing Services Manager which advised Members of the requirement of the Food Standards Agency and the Health and Safety Executive respectively, that the work undertaken in the fields of Food Safety and Health and Safety at Work by and on behalf of the Council were adequately resourced and formally endorsed by the Council.

The report identified the work programme of the Environmental Health (Commercial)

Team for the year 2014/2015 in relation to these services, to meet the above requirement and to satisfy agencies that adequate arrangements were in place at Gosport Borough Council.

Members queried whether the Council had enough resources to fulfil their statutory requirements due to resource and staff reductions. It was explained that joint working with Fareham Borough Council meant that the partnership had shown significant improvement and efficiency whilst delivering the same quality of service.

It was noted that the number of urgent and major improvement ratings recorded to food businesses for the 2013/14 period had decreased, however it was felt by Members that food outlets scoring poor ratings should be displayed within the premises.

The Board were advised that although foot outlets had been encouraged to display certificates and stickers showing food hygiene ratings there was currently no control over national legislation and no requirement for food businesses to display poor performance where consumers could easily view them. It was reported that food business ratings were published online at <a href="http://ratings.food.gov.uk">http://ratings.food.gov.uk</a>.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to the Food Standards Government Agency requesting that they investigate the possibility of businesses with poor hygiene ratings displaying certificates of performance on premises for consumers to view.

In answer to a Members question, it was confirmed that it was the Council's policy to provide advice to food businesses, which was carried out during routine inspection visits and followed up in writing.

It was reported that no bacterial problems had been found in any water sampling of the Stokesbay splash park within 2013/14.

**RESOLVED:** That the Community Board approve:

- a) the Food Safety Service Plan 2014/15 as set out at Appendix A and;
- b) the Health and Safety Service Plan 2014/15 set out at Appendix B of this report

## 13. PROJECT INTEGRA DRAFT ACTION PLAN 2014-2017

Consideration was given to a report from the Chief Executive seeking approval for the adoption of the Project Integra Draft Action Plan 2014-2017.

Members were advised that to implement the requirements of Hampshire's Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy (JMWMS) a draft action plan was prepared annually. It was reported that all Partner Authorities at this present time were proposing to sign up to Project Integra.

Further to a Member's question it was confirmed that Gosport currently had no glass collection services however glass was collected through bottlebanks sited across the Borough and that ongoing investigations for door to door glass collection was being made.

**RESOLVED:** That the Community Board approve the adoption of the Project Integra Draft Action Plan 2014/2017.

## 14. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### Councillors Hook, Mrs Hook and Foster-Reed declared non pecuniary interests in this item left the meeting room and took no part in discussion or the voting thereon.

Consideration was given to a late report from the Chief Executive advising Members of two requests for assistance from the Council for Music Festivals planned in July and August 2014.

Members were advised that Gosport Community Waterfront Festival Limited had approached Gosport Borough Council to ask for the hiring fee and the reinstatement deposit at Walpole Park to be waived. It was reported that the Gosport Community Waterfront Festival Limited was a new company comprising four directors.

Members were further advised that, in respect of Gosport Festivals Limited who were the organisers of the 2013 Festival at Walpole Park, a request had been received that Gosport Borough Council waived the requirement of a reinstatement deposit.

Members were advised that both Gosport Community Waterfront Festival Limited and Gosport Festivals Limited had indicated that any reinstatement works that were required after the event would be carried out and that a contract agreement would be in place detailing the responsibility of the reinstatement works.

Further to a Member's question it was confirmed that the organiser of each event was required to pay a fee to the Performing Rights Society of which a deposit would be taken before a license was issued.

## RESOLVED: That

- i. The Board approves the hiring of Walpole Park for music festivals on the 18<sup>th</sup> July 20<sup>th</sup> July and 7<sup>th</sup> August 10<sup>th</sup> August 2014.
- ii. In respect of Gosport Community Waterfront Festival Limited, the Board approves:
  - a) The designation of the planned event as a community event under the Council's Fees & Charges
  - b) The waiving of the hiring fee and requirement for a reinstatement deposit for Walpole Park for the period Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014 until Monday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2014 inclusive; and
  - c) The Council enter into a licence agreement with Gosport Community Waterfront Festival Limited on terms agreed by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Borough Solicitor and Deputy Chief Executive
- iii. In respect of Gosport Festivals Limited, the Board approves:
  - a) The designation of the planned event as a community event under the Council's Fees & Charges,
  - b) The waiving of the requirement for a reinstatement deposit for Walpole Park for the period Monday 4<sup>th</sup> August 2014 until Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August 2014 inclusive; and
  - c) The Council enter into a licence agreement with Gosport Community Festival Limited on terms agreed by the Chief Executive in consultation with the Borough Solicitor & Deputy Chief Executive.

The meeting concluded at: 6.45pm