

**A MEETING OF THE POLICY AND ORGANISATION BOARD
WAS HELD ON 25 JANUARY 2010**

Subject to Approval

The Mayor (Councillor Mrs Searle) (ex-officio); Councillors Burgess (P), Carter (P), Chegwyn (P), Cully (P), Gill (P), Hicks (P), Hook (Chairman) (P), Langdon (P), Philpott (P) and Wright (P).

44. APOLOGIES

An apology for inability to attend the meeting was submitted on behalf of the Mayor.

45. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

46. MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD HELD ON 11 NOVEMBER 2010

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Board meeting held on 11 November 2009 be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

47. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations.

48. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

There were no public questions.

PART II

49. ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ORDER PROTOCOL

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Community Safety which set out a proposed protocol to guide how the Council would consider the suitability, or otherwise, of pursuing an application for an Anti Social Behaviour Order and in such cases how such an application would be progressed.

A formal protocol would help to ensure a consistent and fair approach, and a good chance of a successful outcome of any Anti Social Behaviour Order application made to the courts by the Council.

RESOLVED: That the proposed protocol be approved.

50. CRACK HOUSE CLOSURE PROTOCOL

Consideration was given to a report of the Head of Community Safety which set out a clear procedure supported by Partners, showing how Gosport Borough Council would respond to consultations from Hampshire Constabulary for applications to Magistrates Courts for 'Crack House' Closure Orders under Part I of The Anti Social Behaviour Act 2003.

RESOLVED: That:

- a) the proposed protocol be approved; and
- b) authority be delegated to the Chief Executive to certify that the Council has been suitably consulted by Hampshire Constabulary in any proposed 'Crack House' Closure application relating to premises in the Borough.

51. ROGERS HOUSE REDEVELOPMENT

Consideration was given to a report of the Housing Services Manager which outlined the progress made in developing plans for the future of Rogers House, Lee on the Solent.

A progress report on the project had last been given to Housing Board in January 2009; however there had been a number of minor changes to the scheme since that time and some unforeseen delays. These proposals were subject to planning approval and to securing funding for the scheme from the Homes and Communities Agency.

Officers undertook to provide a progress report to Members of the Housing Board.

RESOLVED: That:

- a) the land and associated buildings at Rogers House be transferred to Guinness Hermitage Housing Association for £1 and on such other terms to be agreed and subject to planning approval; and
- b) authority be delegated to the Housing Services Manager, in conjunction with the Borough Solicitor, to finalise the detailed terms of the transfer of the land.

52. CONTRACT PROCUREMENT PROCESS AND TIMETABLE

Consideration was given to a report of the Chief Executive which sought the Board's approval for the procurement process and timetable in respect of Grounds Maintenance, Street Cleansing, Public Toilet Cleansing and Maintenance, Refuse Collection and Housing Services and Council Asset Management contracts on an Open Book Accounting/Partnership arrangement.

RESOLVED: That the process and timetable for the procurement of the services as identified in the report be approved.

53. NEW STORE AT MIDDLECROFT ALLOTMENT

Consideration was given to a cross reference from the Community and Environment Board held on 18 January 2010 which sought approval for the grant of a lease of land to the Allotment Holders Association for the purpose of constructing a new store in the location shown coloured red on Plan 1 attached to the report to that Board.

RESOLVED: That:

- a) the grant of a lease of the Council land shown on plan 1 on terms to be agreed by the Council's Head of Property Services be approved; and
- b) the Borough Solicitor be authorised to enter into such documentation as is necessary to effect the above decision in consultation with the Head of Property Services.

54. ALVER VALLEY – MANAGEMENT OF FISHING LAKE

Consideration was given to a cross reference from the Community and Environment Board held on 18 January 2010 which advised of the recommended action agreed by the Alver Valley Steering Group in respect of the future management of the Alver Valley fishing lake.

RESOLVED: That:

- a) the grant of a lease of the Council land shown on Plan 1 of the report to the Community and Environment Board be approved on terms to be agreed by the Council's Head of Property Services; and
- b) the Borough Solicitor be authorised to enter into such documentation as is necessary to effect the above decision in consultation with the Head of Property Services.

The meeting ended at 6.15 p.m.

CHAIRMAN