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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP WORKING PARTY

10 APRIL 2018

A meeting of the Community Safety Partnership Working Party will be held at **7.00 pm on Tuesday, 10 April 2018** in the Council Chamber - Council Offices.

Membership:

Councillor Curran (Chairman); Councillors: Campbell, Dixon, Falcon and M Saunders

A G E N D A

Item
No

Subject

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

2. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

To receive any declarations of interest. Members are advised to consider the advice contained within the Declaration of Interest form attached at the back of this agenda. If a Member declares an interest, they should complete that form and hand it to the officer clerking the meeting and then take the prescribed course of action.

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** (Pages 3 - 4)

To approve the Minutes of the Community Safety Partnership Working Party meeting held on 13 March 2018, copy attached.

4. **TACKLING FLY TIPPING IN THE DISTRICT** (Pages 5 - 8)

Declaration of Interests Form

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COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP WORKING PARTY

Minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2018 at 7.00 pm in the Council Chamber - Council Offices.

Present: Councillor Curran (Chairman); Councillors Campbell, Dixon, Falcon and M Saunders

In Attendance: Councillors D Saunders, Shonk and Taylor-Smith

34. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies received at the meeting.

35. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

There were no declarations of interest made at the meeting.

36. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councillor Campbell proposed, Councillor Mave Saunders seconded and Members agreed the minutes as a correct record of the meeting that was held on 20 February 2018.

37. COMMUNITY PAYBACK ACTIVITIES IN THANET

The Chairman invited representatives from the Kent Surrey & Sussex Community Rehabilitation Company (KSSCRC) to make their presentation. During that presentation, Donna Leigh, Community Payback Operations Manager (East Kent) and Ian Craig, Community Payback Officer made the following key points:

- Community orders or suspended prison orders were set out for a range of 40 to 300 hours of work, during which an individual would learn new skills and improve their job prospects;
- Last year, 365,000 community working hours were completed in Kent, Surrey and Sussex and this translated to about £2,742million in paid work equivalent;
- The programme helped change the pattern of behaviour for individuals who were enrolled onto it. This also helped increase the self-worth of individuals;
- Work activities included gardening, decorating and renovation works on buildings. This would offer a good amount of work to keep the individuals occupied. An individual could use 20% of those hours training to gain a formal qualification;
- Community work included work placements in charity shops. However this was usually assigned to older (more mature) individuals who did not require as much supervision as the younger individuals on the programme;
- Placements were done after risk assessment would have been carried out with the participating organisations and those organisations are usually requested to provide the commercial tools/equipment to be used to carry out these work pieces.

In response to the presentation Members asked questions and made comments as follows:

- How many community payback projects were taking place in Thanet?
- How can organisations present their requests for community payback placements?

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- Where do individuals (offenders) who are placed on community orders come from?
- How are community payback projects publicised?
- In view of the current cutbacks, does this programme have enough supervisors?
- Could organisations provide their own supervisor if individuals are on the programme were given work placements?
- How many projects have been done in Thanet?
- How was the community payback programme funded?

Responding to Member queries, Ms Leigh and Mr Craig made the following comments:

- Multiple projects had been undertaken in the district. These included work with Mancap, clearing alleyways, recycling at the Manston depot, RSPCA Centre, graffiti removal and work at the Pierremont Park railings and beach cleaning (e.g. cleaned the Minis Bay beach on Sunday 05 March);
- The challenge for project is collection of waste generated by the work activities as this adds up to the costs of the project. There is a need for closer liaison with TDC and TDC particularly with regards to clearing of waste from clearing of alleyways;
- All requests were assessed to determine their value to the community and the costs that would be incurred by KSSCRC before they were either accepted or declined;
- Nominations for projects to be considered for community payback projects can be submitted via an online application on the KSSCRC website;
- The programme had cleared 150 alleyways in the district;
- 95% of individuals who work on placements in the district come from Thanet. However there were occasions when individuals would go to a neighbouring district (like Sittingbourne) because of the nature of the shift work pattern when such shift pattern was not available in Thanet;
- KSSCRC produced press releases to publicise community payback work and individuals who work on these projects wear high visibility jackets and vehicles have logos;
- Requests for work placements under this programme had to ensure that they workload was enough to cover a minimum period of three months to make it viable for the project;
- About 180 community payback work projects have been completed in Thanet. The workload was seasonal as demand increased during summer;
- CRC had a seven year contract (now gone three years of that contract) that was paid for by the Ministry of Justice and was based on targets which included reduction in re-offending and work completion within seven days.

Members thanked the Ms Leigh and Mr Craig for the presentation and they also thanked the KSSCRC for the work done in the district. They also requested contact details for submitting work placements requests.

There being no further issues to consider, Members noted the report.

Meeting concluded: 7.39 pm

Tackling fly tipping in the district

Community Safety Partnership Working Party	10 April 2018
Report Author	Charles Hungwe, Senior Democratic Services Officer
Portfolio Holder	Councillor Taylor-Smith, Cabinet Member for Operational Services
Status	For Information/Recommendations
Classification:	Unrestricted
Key Decision	No
Ward:	All wards

Executive Summary:

Members of the Community Safety working party requested for a presentation on ‘Tackling fly tipping in the district’ with a view to understanding the activities carried out under this council function and how council was coping with the challenges.

A presentation will be led by Trevor Kennett, Head of Operational Services. Members could thereafter (if appropriate) make recommendations as they see fit and take a view as to what further scrutiny may be required.

Recommendation(s):

Members are requested to:

- 1 Note the presentation;
and either
2. Request further information and agree on further lines of enquiry for scrutiny or take no further action;
or
3. Formulate and forward any recommendations to the OSP and consider onward submission to appropriate external decision making body.

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money	There are no financial implications currently arising from this information report.
Legal	There are no legal implications directly arising from this information report.
Corporate	There are no corporate risks associated with this report.
Equalities Act 2010 & Public	Members are reminded of the requirement, under the Public Sector Equality Duty (section 149 of the Equality Act 2010) to have due regard to

Sector Equality Duty	<p>the aims of the Duty at the time the decision is taken. The aims of the Duty are: (i) eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act, (ii) advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it, and (iii) foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.</p> <p>Protected characteristics: age, gender, disability, race, sexual orientation, gender reassignment, religion or belief and pregnancy & maternity. Only aim (i) of the Duty applies to Marriage & civil partnership.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td colspan="2" style="padding: 2px;">Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,</td> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it</td> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">✓</td> </tr> <tr> <td style="padding: 2px;">Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.</td> <td style="text-align: center; padding: 2px;">✓</td> </tr> </table> <p>There no equity and equalities issues arising directly from this report but the Council needs to retain a strong focus and understanding on issues of diversity amongst the local community and ensure service delivery matches these. It should also be noted that a review to be conducted by one of the working parties focuses on protecting vulnerable individuals of the local community from violence.</p>	Please indicate which aim is relevant to the report.		Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act,	✓	Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it	✓	Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.	✓
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CORPORATE PRIORITIES (tick those relevant)✓	
A clean and welcoming Environment	✓
Promoting inward investment and job creation	
Supporting neighbourhoods	✓

CORPORATE VALUES (tick those relevant)✓	
Delivering value for money	
Supporting the Workforce	
Promoting open communications	✓

1.0 Background

- 1.1 At the meeting held on the 20 July 2017, Community Safety Working party agreed an initial two topics for review and that included a look at 'Tackling fly tipping in the district.'
- 1.2 It is hoped that the officer presentation will then inform the way forward for the working party.

2.0 Options

Following the presentation and question responses, working party members can:

- 2.1 Note the information and explanations given;
- And either
- 2.2 Request further information and agree on further lines of enquiry for scrutiny or take no further action;
- Or

2.3 Formulate and forward any recommendations to the Overview & Scrutiny Panel for onward submission to an appropriate decision making body.

3.0 Other considerations

3.1 Depending on the issues that will emerge from the presentation and discussion, Members of the sub group could make recommendations to the Overview & Scrutiny Panel on any proposals they suggest the Panel could further forward to an appropriate decision making body for consideration.

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Annex List

None	N/A
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Background Papers

Title	Details of where to access copy
None	N/A

Corporate Consultation

Finance	Ramesh Prashar, Head of Financial Services
Legal	Sophia Nartey, Interim Head of Legal Services

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THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORM

Do I have a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest and if so what action should I take?

Your Disclosable Pecuniary Interests (DPI) are those interests that are, or should be, listed on your Register of Interest Form.

If you are at a meeting and the subject relating to one of your DPIs is to be discussed, in so far as you are aware of the DPI, you **must** declare the existence **and** explain the nature of the DPI during the declarations of interest agenda item, at the commencement of the item under discussion, or when the interest has become apparent

Once you have declared that you have a DPI (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you **must:-**

1. Not speak or vote on the matter;
2. Withdraw from the meeting room during the consideration of the matter;
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision on the matter.

Do I have a significant interest and if so what action should I take?

A significant interest is an interest (other than a DPI or an interest in an Authority Function) which:

1. Affects the financial position of yourself and/or an associated person; or Relates to the determination of your application for any approval, consent, licence, permission or registration made by, or on your behalf of, you and/or an associated person;
2. And which, in either case, a member of the public with knowledge of the relevant facts would reasonably regard as being so significant that it is likely to prejudice your judgment of the public interest.

An associated person is defined as:

- A family member or any other person with whom you have a close association, including your spouse, civil partner, or somebody with whom you are living as a husband or wife, or as if you are civil partners; or
- Any person or body who employs or has appointed such persons, any firm in which they are a partner, or any company of which they are directors; or
- Any person or body in whom such persons have a beneficial interest in a class of securities exceeding the nominal value of £25,000;
- Any body of which you are in a position of general control or management and to which you are appointed or nominated by the Authority; or
- any body in respect of which you are in a position of general control or management and which:
 - exercises functions of a public nature; or
 - is directed to charitable purposes; or
 - has as its principal purpose or one of its principal purposes the influence of public opinion or policy (including any political party or trade union)

An Authority Function is defined as: -

- Housing - where you are a tenant of the Council provided that those functions do not relate particularly to your tenancy or lease; or
- Any allowance, payment or indemnity given to members of the Council;
- Any ceremonial honour given to members of the Council
- Setting the Council Tax or a precept under the Local Government Finance Act 1992

If you are at a meeting and you think that you have a significant interest then you **must** declare the existence **and** nature of the significant interest at the commencement of the

matter, or when the interest has become apparent, or the declarations of interest agenda item.

Once you have declared that you have a significant interest (unless you have been granted a dispensation by the Standards Committee or the Monitoring Officer, for which you will have applied to the Monitoring Officer prior to the meeting) you **must**:-

1. Not speak or vote (unless the public have speaking rights, or you are present to make representations, answer questions or to give evidence relating to the business being discussed in which case you can speak only)
2. Withdraw from the meeting during consideration of the matter or immediately after speaking.
3. Not seek to improperly influence the decision.

Gifts, Benefits and Hospitality

Councillors must declare at meetings any gift, benefit or hospitality with an estimated value (or cumulative value if a series of gifts etc.) of £25 or more. You **must**, at the commencement of the meeting or when the interest becomes apparent, disclose the existence and nature of the gift, benefit or hospitality, the identity of the donor and how the business under consideration relates to that person or body. However you can stay in the meeting unless it constitutes a significant interest, in which case it should be declared as outlined above.

What if I am unsure?

If you are in any doubt, Members are strongly advised to seek advice from the Monitoring Officer or the Committee Services Manager well in advance of the meeting.

DECLARATION OF DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTERESTS, SIGNIFICANT INTERESTS AND GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY

MEETING.....

DATE..... AGENDA ITEM

DISCLOSABLE PECUNIARY INTEREST

SIGNIFICANT INTEREST

GIFTS, BENEFITS AND HOSPITALITY

THE NATURE OF THE INTEREST, GIFT, BENEFITS OR HOSPITALITY:

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NAME (PRINT):

SIGNATURE:

Please detach and hand this form to the Democratic Services Officer when you are asked to declare any interests.