



RUSHMOOR BOROUGH COUNCIL

LEISURE AND YOUTH POLICY AND REVIEW PANEL

*at the Council Offices, Farnborough on
Monday, 3rd April, 2017 at 7.00 pm*

To:

Cllr Liz Corps (Chairman)
Cllr Mrs. D.B. Bedford (Vice-Chairman)

Cllr T.D. Bridgeman
Cllr P.I.C. Crerar
Cllr Sue Dibble
Cllr R.L.G. Dibbs
Cllr J.H. Marsh
Cllr M.L. Sheehan
Cllr L.A. Taylor

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A G E N D A

1. **MINUTES – (Pages 1 - 2)**

To confirm the Minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd January, 2017 (copy attached)

2. **PLAYGROUNDS –**

To receive a presentation from the Head of Community and Environmental Services, Mr. Peter Amies, on the playgrounds in the Borough.

3. **OPEN SPACE - NEW HEALTH ACTIVITIES –**

To receive a presentation from the Health and Physical Activity Officer, Mr Martin Sterio, on new health activities.

4. **ALDERSHOT INDOOR POOLS AND LIDO - UPDATE –**

The Head of Community and Environmental Services, Mr. Peter Amies, to provide an update on the Aldershot Indoor Pools and Lido complex.

5. **WORK PROGRAMME – (Pages 3 - 10)**

To review the Panel's current work programme (copy attached), and to agree priorities where necessary.

MEETING REPRESENTATION

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Applications for items to be considered for the next meeting must be received in writing to the Panel Administrator fifteen working days prior to the meeting.

LEISURE AND YOUTH POLICY AND REVIEW PANEL

Meeting held on Monday, 23rd January, 2017 at the Aldershot Garrison Sports Centre at 6.00 p.m.

Voting Members

Cr. Liz Corps (Chairman)
Cr. Mrs. D.B. Bedford (Vice-Chairman)

Cr. T.D. Bridgeman	Cr. R.L.G. Dibbs	Cr. J.H. Marsh
a. Cr. P.I.C. Crerar		Cr. M.L. Sheehan
Cr. Sue Dibble		Cr. L.A. Taylor

An apology for absence was submitted on behalf of Cr. P.I.C. Crerar.

17. MINUTES –

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th November, 2016 were agreed as a correct record.

18. GARRISON SPORTS FACILITIES –

The Panel was welcomed by Garrison Commander McGregor and Mr. James Smee, Aspire Defence Service Manager.

It was reported that Aspire Defence were ten years into a 35 year contract to manage the facilities “outside the wire” within the Garrison area. The facilities managed within the contract included the Army Cricket Club, hockey pitches, the athletics and rugby stadiums, floodlit grass pitches and the sports centre.

The Panel noted that the facilities were utilised by both military personnel and civilians, this was split at a ratio of round 70/30. Several clubs and organisations hired the facilities, including swimming clubs and local schools and they were used for the annual Hampshire Youth Games. All fixtures were booked a year in advance to accommodate any military fixtures, such as the annual Army versus Navy rugby match.

A discussion was held around the Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) of the Army in Rushmoor. It was noted that an Engagement Plan was in place and events such as a “Freshers’ Bazaar” had been planned for summer 2017, to which local residents would be invited to try out different sporting activities to encourage active lifestyles and healthy living.

The Chairman thanked the Garrison Commander and Mr. Smee for taking the time to meet with the Panel and guide the tour of the facilities.

After the tour of the facilities, the Panel held a discussion on the comparisons between the Council owned facilities and the Garrison's sport facilities. It was noted that, at present, there was over provision of squash courts in the Borough and issues with the availability of 3G pitches. It was noted that there was some demand for more 3G pitches from local clubs and an audit of the pitches was planned to take place at the end of the season.

The Head of Community and Environmental Services, Mr. Peter Amies, advised of the obesity statistics in primary and secondary schools in the Borough. It was reported that during primary school years the number of children classed as obese appeared to increase substantially. The Panel discussed what could be done to encourage more activity in primary schools and requested further information on how the PE and Sports Premium had been spent in local schools. A request was also made for an analysis of comparable data on obesity from other local authorities of a similar size and demographic.

Action to be taken	By Whom	When
Request for information on how the PE and Sports Premium is spent in Primary and Secondary Schools.	Mr. Peter Amies, Head of Community and Environmental Services Emma Lamb, Policy Officer, Democratic and Customer Services	February, 2017
Analysis of comparable data on obesity from other local authorities of a similar size and demographic.	Mr. Peter Amies, Head of Community and Environmental Services	February, 2017

19. **WORK PROGRAMME –**

The Panel **NOTED** the current work programme.

The meeting closed at 8.13 p.m.

CR. LIZ CORPS
CHAIRMAN

LEISURE AND YOUTH POLICY AND REVIEW PANEL - WORK PROGRAMME

Set out below are the key issues which form the Panel's on-going work programme. The topics covered reflect the following:

- the development of a new policy for recommendation to the Cabinet
- scrutiny of the process of the way in which decisions have been or are being made
- reviewing issues of concern to local people or which affect the Borough
- review of performance and delivery of specific services
- monitoring and scrutinising the activities of others
- items raised by Members and agreed by the Panel for consideration
- review of policies and proposals developed by others

The purpose of the work programme is to identify the way in which topics are being dealt with and the progress made with them. An update will be submitted to each meeting of the Panel. New issues are highlighted in the programme.

LEISURE AND YOUTH PORTFOLIO ACCOUNTABILITY AND AREAS OF RESPONSIBILITY

The terms of reference of the Panel will include all these issues contained in the Leisure and Youth portfolio. The functions set out in the Scheme of Delegation are:

<p>Leisure and Recreation Facilities</p> <p>To deal with all matters relating to the provision and management of leisure facilities and the improvement, repair and maintenance of all buildings and equipment in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • parks, woodlands, recreational grounds, open space and play areas • allotments <p>sports and recreation initiatives (including childcare and play)</p> <p>To deal with matters relating to the management and operation of major leisure facilities owned and/or operated by the Council and to consider initiatives for the provision of new leisure facilities in the Borough. In particular, to examine issues in relation to:</p>	<p>To deal with all matters relating to leisure marketing, heritage and tourism.</p> <p>To deal with issues relating to the letting and monitoring of contracts relating to the functions in the portfolio.</p> <p>To develop, maintain and promote those services and facilities provided for the Borough and the wider area, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Basingstoke Canal • Blackwater Valley Countryside Management Service
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- Aldershot Pools Complex and Lido
- Alpine Snowsports Centre
- Farnborough Leisure Centre
- Princes Hall
- Southwood Golf Course

To carry out the Council's functions in respect of consultative arrangements on library services and community schools.

To carry out the Council's functions relating to grounds maintenance, subject to contractual issues where the function is provided jointly with other services being dealt with through the Environment Portfolio.

Town Twinning

To deal with the social and cultural aspects of town twinning.

Other Matters

To deal with all matters relating to the administration and enforcement of the Council's byelaws relating to the functions of the portfolio.

Rushmoor in Bloom

To deal with all matters, in consultation with the Rushmoor in Bloom Forum, relating to the following:-

- The annual Rushmoor in Bloom Competition, including promotion, publicity and sponsorship, programme of events and presentation of prizes;
- participation in and arrangements for the Council's entry to the Southern England in Bloom Competition;
- applications for commemorative floral displays.

To develop, implement and monitor the Council's strategies for addressing youth issues and the needs of young people in the Borough.

To work with education providers to promote Life-long learning.

WORK PROGRAMME – OBJECTIVES AND PROJECTS

INTRODUCTION

At the mid-cycle meeting held on 23rd August 2004, there was a preliminary discussion on developing the work of the Panel in context of the recent review of overview and scrutiny carried out by South East Employers. The meeting examined how to structure the future work and specifically dividing the Panel's work programme into three main types of issues:

- Ongoing items for monitoring and scrutiny including regular performance management information
- A limited number of projects for in depth investigation
- Items for information

In addition, requests can be made to discuss key decisions shown on the forward plan in advance of the relevant Cabinet or Council meeting.

PROJECTS DEVELOPED BY THE PANEL

The Panel agreed to identify 3 – 4 issues which would form major projects for the Panel. For each, a task and finish group has been established and the Panel was asked to agree the following:

- The objective of the project
- When it would be completed
- A lead member drawn from the Panel
- Members making up the task and finish group

There is also a regular discussion at the mid-cycle meeting on some of the major leisure developments that are being considered for the future.

SCRUTINY & PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT

These items will be discussed on a regular basis by the Panel in order to monitor progress and identify any specific issues. It is proposed to develop a range of performance information which will then be reported to the Panel on a regular basis, i.e. every 4 – 6 months.

DATE RAISED	ISSUE AND DESCRIPTION OF TOPIC	PROCESS AND TIMETABLE	CURRENT POSITION	CONTACT (SERVICE MANAGER)
01.02.16 07.11.16	Lido Review	<p>The Panel were updated on the ongoing work of the Lido Review Working Group and noted the way forward.</p> <p>The Panel were updated on the current activities of the Lido Working Group and the recent soft market testing activities carried out over the summer months. A report was due to be considered by the Directors' Management Board, the leisure and Youth Panel and the Cabinet in early 2017.</p>	The Panel would be kept informed of progress with the report.	Peter Amies, Head of Community and Environmental Services, Tel: (01252) 398750, Email: peter.amies@rushmoor.gov.uk
08.09.14	Runways End	A meeting was held at Runways End where Members had a tour of the facility and received a presentation from the Centre Manager on the operational arrangements and plans for making the facility more accessible to the public in the future. Performance information was also provided to the Panel.	The arrangements at Runways End would continue to be monitored.	Peter Amies, Head of Community and Environmental Services, Tel: (01252) 398750, Email: peter.amies@rushmoor.gov.uk

08.06.15	Football Clubs	A meeting was held at Aldershot Town Football Club where Members had a tour of the facility and received a presentation from the current owners on working arrangements and activities. The presentation also included the Club's plans for the future.	Arrangements at the Aldershot Town Football Club would continue to be monitored.	Andrew Lloyd, Chief Executive Officer, Tel: (01252) 398396 Email: andrew.lloyd@rushmoor.gov.uk
07.11.16		An update was given on the current position of the clubs at the meeting on 7th November, 2016.	Ian Harrison would provide further updates as required.	
21.04.16	Academies	At the Council meeting on 12st April 2016 the following Notice of Motion was referred to the Panel for consideration: "This Council supports the stand taken by all groups at the LGA over the academisation of all schools sought by Government as being neither relevant nor appropriate to the education, community involvement and educational outcomes for students at primary or secondary level in Hampshire and in Rushmoor and represents a manifest interference in the running of said schools."	A Member briefing on the consultation on the failure of Connaught School has been arranged for 19th September, 2016. A briefing paper is being prepared on the issue and this will examine the options of the school which includes the move to an academy.	Karen Edwards, Corporate Director Tel; (01252) 398800 Email: karen.edwards@rushmoor.gov.uk

06.06.16	Rushmoor Arts Hub	The Panel received a presentation from Mr. Tony McGovern, Project Manager and Mr. Barney Jeavons, Steering Group Chair of the Rushmoor Arts Hub who described the process of setting up the Hub and the funding opportunities for young people in the Borough.	The Panel requested that an update on the project be given at a future meeting.	Peter Amies, Head of Community and Environmental Services, Tel: (01252) 398750, Email: peter.amies@rushmoor.gov.uk
07.11.16	Rushmoor Local Children's Partnership	The Panel received a presentation on the partnership and requested some further information relating to school places for children with special educational needs and teenage pregnancy data by ward.	The Panel would be updated on the requests for further information at the Mid Cycle meeting.	Peter Amies, Head of Community and Environmental Services, Tel: (01252) 398750, Email: peter.amies@rushmoor.gov.uk

INFORMATION ITEMS / ISSUES TO BE KEPT UNDER REVIEW

These following items are provided for the information of the Panel. They have been considered in the past and will be monitored from time to time to consider whether specific work is required:

- **Cultural Strategy** – The Panel has a monitoring and review role.
- **Southwood Community Centre** – The future of the Centre is being kept under review although in the short term the future of the Centre is assured. A report is to be made to the Panel when required.
- **Princes Hall** –The Panel will receive regular reports on performance and activities.
- **Farnborough Leisure Centre/ Aldershot Pools Complex/ Southwood Golf Course** – The Panel receives the Annual Service Reports from DC Leisure on these facilities to enable it to monitor activities and performance.
- **Southwood Woodland** – The Panel has been monitoring progress with the project and a report will be made once the planning process has been completed.
- **Alpine Snowsports** – The Panel will monitor performance and activities from time to time.
- **West End Centre** – The Panel will monitor operations at the centre and consider any changes if they are proposed.
- **Aldershot/Farnborough Libraries** – A report will be made to the Panel if any changes are proposed to the Libraries.

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SCHEDULE OF AGENDA ITEMS – 2017/18

23rd January, 2017	Monitoring and Scrutiny <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tour of Garrison Sports Facilities 	
3rd April, 2017	Monitoring and Scrutiny <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Playgrounds • Open Space – New Health Activities • Aldershot Indoor Pool and Lido - Update 	
5th June, 2017	Monitoring and Scrutiny	Panel Projects
4th September, 2017	Monitoring and Scrutiny <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leisure Contracts 	
6th November, 2017		
15th January, 2018		
19th March, 2018		
Dates/Items to be confirmed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alpine Snowsports • Southwood Golf Club • Community Leisure • Academies • Tourism • Allotments • Town Twinning • Public Halls and Community Centres 	