

COMMUNITY POLICY ADVISORY GROUP

Meeting - 17 September 2014

Present: Mrs Cranmer, Mr Brown, Mr Kelly, Mr Sandy and Mr Walters

Apologies for absence: Miss Hazell and Mrs Holloway

11. MINUTES

The minutes of the meetings of the PAG held on 17 June and 1 July 2014 were received.

12. COMMUNITY SAFETY UPDATE

The PAG received the finally recorded crime figures for South Bucks for the period April – August 2014 compared with the figures for same period in the years 2012/13, 2013/14, and 2014/15 together with outcomes and outcome rates.

The PAG was pleased to note that the finally recorded figures for all crime for the period had fallen by 14.8% and particularly noted the reductions in the following offences:

- Violence Against the Person (-1%)
- Burglary Dwelling (-34%)
- Theft from Vehicle (-39.9%)

During the discussion the PAG was made aware of the initiatives under taken by Thames Valley Police that had contributed towards the reduction including a campaign on domestic violence which involved co-ordinating inputs from various agencies including South Bucks.

13. EXEMPT INFORMATION

Members noted that the following items contained information which was not available to the press and public for the reasons under each Minute heading.

14. FARNHAM PARK PLAYING FIELDS - APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL SOFTBALL PITCH AND CONVERSION OF BUNGALOW INTO SPORTS CLUB

(Schedule 12A Part 1 Para (3) – because of information relating to the financial and business affairs of any particular individual)

The PAG considered a report setting out a proposal from BSUK to grant them a new lease for the Laurels Bungalow located at Farnham Park Playing Fields (FPPF) and for them to convert the Bungalow into a clubhouse.

After noting that no other offers had been made and the implications, particularly for the four clubhouses/buildings located at FPPF, the PAG supported the proposal subject to an appropriate break clause being inserted in the new lease provided that proved to be acceptable to BSUK.

Having considered the comments of the PAG the Portfolio Holder has **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** to Cabinet to:

(1) accept the offer from BSUK to convert the bungalow into a clubhouse and two casual football pitches into a new softball/baseball pitch, and to offer a new 25 year lease, subject to the granting of planning permission.

(2) delegate authority to the General Manager, in consultation with the Portfolio Holder, and Head of Legal and Democratic Services to agree the final terms of any surrender of the current lease, grant of a new lease and approval of the specification for works to the bungalow and creation of the new softball pitch.

15. **BONUS SCHEME - GOLF GENERAL MANAGER AND SALES STAFF**

(Schedule 12A Part 1 Para (3) – because of information relating to the financial and business affairs of any particular individual)

The PAG considered report setting out a proposal to introduce a bonus scheme for the golf general manager and for the golf sales staff on permanent contracts at the South Buckinghamshire. The PAG noted the replies that had been made on the comments received from UNISON on the proposal.

After receiving an assurance that the pensionable status of any bonus payments would be clarified the PAG supported the proposal on the understanding that the scheme would be reviewed for 2015/16

Having considered the comments of the PAG, the Portfolio Holder has **AGREED** to **RECOMMEND** to Cabinet that the bonus scheme set out in Appendix 2 of the report be approved for 2014/15 and that a report reviewing the operation of the scheme and setting out proposals for 2015/16 be submitted to a future meeting of the PAG.

The meeting terminated at 7.30 pm