Neighbourhoods Overview and Scrutiny Board 22 July 2014

Present: Councillor Bayliss (Chair) Councillors Barker, Bolton, J Khan, Naitta, Nawaz and Poulter

In Attendance Councillor Afzal

01/14 Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies

02/14 Late Items

There were no late items

03/14 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations.

04/14 Minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2014

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 April 2014 were agreed as a correct record subject to additional comment from Councillor Bolton re 67/13 Update on Neighbourhood Working.

Councillor Bolton had met with her Local Neighbourhood Officer and the issue of fixed penalty notices was discussed. Councillor Bolton was concerned that the ID cards, giving authority to issue fixed penalty notices, did not show the Council logo. The Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods agreed to look at this but confirmed that by law all they needed to have on the ID was the declaration.

05/14 Forward Plan

The Board received a copy of the Forward Plan published on 8 July 2014. It was confirmed that the single item Road Safety Strategy 2014 within the Neighbourhoods and Streetpride portfolio was not being considered by the Cabinet in August. It was likely that it will not be considered until the budget review.

Resolved to note the Forward Plan

06/14 Remit and Work Programme of the Neighbourhoods Board

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of Resources asking Board Members to consider a presentation from the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Streetpride, along with Senior Offices. A draft note was circulated by the Chair which provided details of key issues and projects along with the dates which the chair and vice chair wanted the Board to consider adopt as part of the work programme. The Board identified further items to be added before agreeing the work programme.

It was agreed that extra meetings would be needed to discuss the budget and domestic abuse. It was identified that a least half a day would be needed for the review on domestic abuse and agreed that a briefing note should be circulated prior to the September meeting in readiness for the extra half day meeting being arranged for October. The additional meeting to discuss the budget is likely to be held around Christmas.

Resolved to:

- 1. note the report and accompanying presentations
- 2. agree the Board work programme for 2014-15

07/13 Review on Domestic Abuse – setting the scene

The Board received a report of the Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods. The review of domestic abuse was commissioned by full Council at their meeting on 5 March 2014. Full Council requested that Council Cabinet work with Neighbourhoods Board and the Police Crime Commissioner to review domestic abuse.

The Partnership Manager – City and Partnership Manager - Domestic and Sexual Violence gave the Board background information and general overview on the project. The Board was informed that national data did indicate that there was an increase in incidents. Derbyshire County Council Overview and Scrutiny have already done a large amount of work on this topic and the Board may wish to work with them and build on the work already done rather than duplicating it. The Board meeting which provides details on the review programme. The Board agreed to hold the inquiry in October.

Resolved to

- 1. note the report
- 2. receive the briefing paper prepared before the September meeting.
- 3. Devote at least half day meeting to the review

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