

## **STOURBRIDGE AREA COMMITTEE: 20<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2005**

### **APPOINTMENT OF WORKING GROUPS**

#### **REPORT OF THE AREA LIAISON OFFICER**

##### **1.0 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 To consider the reappointment of Working Groups for the 2005/6 municipal year.

##### **2.0 BACKGROUND**

- 2.1. In the last municipal year the Area Committee appointed the following four Working Groups: -
- Stourbridge Area Consultative Group
  - Stourbridge Town Centre Traffic Management Working Group
  - Skatepark Working Group
  - Stourbridge Town Hall Working Group
- 2.2. The Stourbridge Area Consultative Group has been in existence since 2000 and its principal role is to consult with voluntary and other public sector organisations on a range of local issues. The composition of the group from the Area Committee is the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and co-opted members.
- 2.3. The Stourbridge Town Centre Traffic Management Working Group was first appointed during 2003/4 to consider proposals for improving traffic management within the town centre. Its membership from the Area Committee comprises the Chairman and one member from each of the three political groups.
- 2.4. The Skatepark Working Group was also appointed during 2003/4 in order to identify a suitable location within Stourbridge for a skatepark. The membership from the Area Committee comprises one representative from each of the three political groups and the co-opted youth representative.
- 2.5. The Stourbridge Town Hall Working Group was appointed in 2004/5 to develop proposals for the improvement of Stourbridge Town Hall. Its membership from the Stourbridge Area Committee comprises three members from the Conservative Group and one from the Liberal Democrats.

##### **3.0 PROPOSAL**

- 3.1. It is proposed that the Stourbridge Area Consultative Group, the Stourbridge Town Centre Traffic Management Working Group. the Skatepark Working

Group and the Stourbridge Town Hall Working Group be reappointed for the 2005/6 municipal year and that the Committee determine their composition and membership.

#### **4.0     FINANCE**

- 4.1.     Any costs arising from the above proposals will be met from existing resources.

#### **5.       LAW**


- 5.1.     Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972, enables the Council to do any thing that is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of its functions.

#### **6.0     EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES**

- 6.1.     This report complies fully with the Council's policies on equal opportunities and diversity.

#### **7.0     RECOMMENDATION**

- 7.1.     It is recommended that the Stourbridge Area Consultative Group, the Stourbridge Town Centre Traffic Management Working Group, the Skatepark Working Group and the Stourbridge Town Hall Working Group be reappointed for the 2005/6 municipal year and that the Committee determine their composition and membership.



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#### **BACKGROUND PAPERS**

None