

**WARDS: ALL**

**AGENDA ITEM NO.**

**DUDLEY METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**SELECT COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SAFETY – 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2005**

**WORK PROGRAMME AND TIMETABLE FOR 2005/2006**

**REPORT OF THE LEAD OFFICER**

**1.0      PURPOSE**

- 1.1      To submit for approval to the Committee the Work Programme and timetable for 2005/2006.

**2.0      BACKGROUND**

- 2.1      Article 6 of the Council's Constitution requires Select Committees to report annually to the full Council and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods, if appropriate. The next Annual Report is due to be submitted to the Council on 10<sup>th</sup> April 2006.

2.2      Annual Report 2004/2005

The Annual Report of the Select Committee was submitted to The Cabinet on 16<sup>th</sup> March 2005, for their consideration. No comments were received.

The report outlined the progress on the Select Committee Work Programme for the municipal year 2004/2005 and outlined the Work Programme for the 2005/2006 municipal year.

It was reported that the work of the Committee in 2004/2005 had focused primarily on aspects associated with the three Working Groups. The major concern of the Committee and its three Working Groups had continued to reflect the concerns of local people, namely, anti social behaviour and the impact within the Borough of Alcohol and Substance Misuse.

It was reported that the Select Committee's three Working Groups, namely Strategy Working Group, Young People and Childrens' Working Group and the Housing Issues Working Group had been re-appointed for the 2004/2005 municipal year.

Proposals contained in the Annual Report for Items for consideration by the Working Groups for 2005/2006, should they be re-appointed for 2005/2006, are attached at appendix 1, 2 and 3 of this report as a draft programme of meetings.

### 2.3 Emphasis

The work of the Committee continued to focus primarily on aspects of anti social behaviour and the contributions that individual Directorates make in connection with community safety and in particular the statutory duty under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

### 2.4 Appointment of Working Groups

The Select Committee, at its meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> January 2004, dissolved the Anti Social Behaviour Working Group and appointed three Working Groups as follows:-

- (Children and Young People Issues) Working Group
- (ASBO/CDRP/Admin) Working Group
- (Housing and Neighbourhood Nuisance Issues) Working Group

### 2.5 Term of Reference

The Terms of Reference for each Working Group were approved by the Select Committee at its meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2004.

### 2.6 Select Committee Work Programmes

The Work Programme for 2005/2006 will be the findings from each of the Select Committee's Working Groups, including any recommendations for the 'call in' of decisions and other items brought to it for consideration such as the Youth Justice Plan, Performance Management Framework for the "Safe and Sound" Strategic Board and other strategies.

## **2 PROPOSALS**

### 3.1 It is proposed that:

- i. Consideration be given by the Select Committee to the reappointment of the three Working Groups, namely
  - Strategy Working Group
  - Young People and Childrens' Working Group
  - Housing Issues Working Group
- ii. That the Committee agree to the proposed Work Programme and Timetable for 2005/2006 attached to this report at appendices 1, 2 and 3.

## **3 FINANCE**

### 4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from this report at this stage.

#### **4 LAW**

- 5.1 The requirement for the Committee to make an annual report to the Council is contained in Article 6 of the Constitution.
- 5.2 The relevant statutory provisions regarding the Council's Constitution are contained in Part 11 of the Local Government Act 2000, together with Regulations, Orders and Statutory Guidance issued by the Secretary of State.
- 5.3 The legal provisions regarding the issues referred to in section 2 above are indicated in the reports submitted to the Committee on those issues.

#### **5 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES**

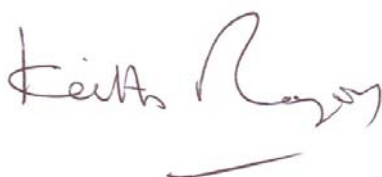
- 6.1 The report complies with the Council's equality and diversity policy.

#### **6 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 7.1 That the proposals set out in paragraph 3.1 above be approved.

#### **7 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

Article 6 of the Council's Constitution, etc etc.



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