

<u>SELECT COMMITTEE ON COMMUNITY SAFETY – 7TH MARCH 2006</u> <u>REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CHILDRENS' WORKING GROUP</u> <u>PUBLICISING OF ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR ORDERS</u>

Purpose of Report

 That the Select Committee consider the recommendations of the Children and Young People Working Group, set out below made at its meeting held on 20th February, 2006, namely, that the Select Committee endorse the recommendations for publicising Anti Social Behaviour Orders (ASBOs), and to recommend to Cabinet that they be submitted to Council for their approval at their Meeting to be held on 10th April 2006.

Background

- 2. On 1st December 2005 a paper was submitted to the Working Group outlining options for publicising ASBOs. It was agreed that the Group consider the options for progressing the issue of publicising ASBOs at its meeting to be held on 20th February 2006, prior to making a recommendation to the Select Committee at the meeting to be held on 7th March 2006.
- 3. A further report was submitted and discussed by the Working Group at its meeting held on 20th February 2006, and the Working Group approved recommendations for consideration by the Select Committee on 7th March 2006.

Finance

4. There are no direct financial implications arising from consideration of this report.

<u>Law</u>

5. Section III of the Local Government Act 1972 enables the Council to do anything which is incidental to, conductive to or which facilitates the discharge of its functions.

6. Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act, 1998, requests Local Authorities to consider the impact of community safety on each of its decisions.

Equality Impact

7. This report complies with the Council's policy on equal opportunities and diversity.

If approved, the impact will have a direct bearing on children the subject of ASBOs.

Children and Young People were consulted on the recommendation and their views helped to form the proposal.

Recommendation

- 8. It is recommended that:-
 - The Select Committee endorse the recommendations of the Working Group (set out below) and recommend to Cabinet that they be submitted to Council for approval at their meeting on 10th April 2006:

"That the details of all adults and young people with ASBOs be published, in addition to the press release currently issued, and that the following process be adopted for this purpose:

 That a clear recorded risk assessment on publishing, including regard to necessity and proportionality be taken into consideration at the case conference meeting where the action and consideration for the ASBO would be concluded and prepared for Court. The proportionality discussions would reflect the levels of publicity to be released, namely

> Content of Press Release Requirements for local leafleting with photograph and details. Appropriate notification to the local stakeholders within the community with regard to impact and risk assessment.

• That appropriate quarterly reporting and information to the community on a Ward and Township basis be undertaken in the form of a press release and by inclusion in Council publications which would outline the clear achievements of ASBOs in the Ward and Township areas of the Borough.

• That the guiding principles, as outlined by the Home Office to be taken into account at the case conference risk assessment.".



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List of Background Papers

Home Office Guidance - The "Working Together" Guidance on Publicising Anti Social Behaviour Orders