

# OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (MOLE VALLEY)

# NOMINATIONS TO THE LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP IN MOLE VALLEY

## 24th JUNE 2009

## **KEY ISSUE**

Surrey County Council is a statutory partner on the Mole Valley Local Strategic Partnership (LSP).

## **SUMMARY**

The Local Committee has a role in influencing and contributing to community planning in Mole Valley.

## OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

The Local Committee (Mole Valley) is asked to:

(i) Nominate a County Councillor to the Mole Valley Local Strategic Partnership.

#### 1 LOCAL STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP AND THE COMMUNITY PLAN

- 1.1 The Community Plan is a ten-year plan launched in April 2006. Under the Local Government Act 2000 local authorities were given a duty to prepare a Community Strategy in partnership with the community, statutory organisations, businesses and the voluntary sector.
- 1.2 The purpose of the plan is to set out a long-term vision and to devise a strategy for areas where partnership working is needed to improve quality of life according to the needs and wishes articulated by the community. The plan is therefore 'owned' by all members of the LSP, who are responsible for its development and implementation. Members from the district and county council sit on the LSP; the member role is to champion the plan, lend specific support to projects and feedback information to members of the Local Committee as appropriate.
- 1.3 Mole Valley has a thriving Local Strategic Partnership (LSP), known in Mole Valley as the Community Planning Group, currently chaired by the Chief Executive of Mount Green Housing Association, meeting four times a year. A significant amount of work goes into each priority between meetings, with partners working together to achieve agreed targets.
- 1.4 The Local Committee has a role in influencing and contributing to the community plan for Mole Valley by nominating a County Council representative to sit on the LSP.

### 2 OPTIONS

- 2.1 The Local Committee has an influencing and monitoring role on the work of the LSP. As part of this role, the Local Committee can:
  - Note the report and agree the recommendations;
  - Note the report and agree the recommendations, but request further information on any aspect of the report;
  - Defer the recommendations and request further information on any aspect of the report.

#### 3 CONSULTATIONS

3.1 The Community Plan for Mole Valley was subject to widespread consultation.

## 4 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no financial implications with regards to the LSP.

#### 5 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Any future consultation with local communities will need to consider how to engage with hard-to-reach and minority groups within the community.

#### 6 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Surrey County Council is the statutory partner on the LSP.

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### 7 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 The Local Committee's service monitoring role and devolved budgets provide an excellent opportunity for supporting the work of the LSP.

#### 8 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

8.1 The Surrey County Council member representative will attend the Local Strategic Partnership (LSP) meetings, will support and enable county involvement on the targets of the LSP and feedback to members with the Area Director at Local Committee on a regular basis.

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