

# OFFICER REPORT TO LOCAL COMMITTEE (REIGATE AND BANSTEAD)

# NOMINATION TO COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP, AGREEMENT OF DELEGATED FUNDING AND ESTABLISHMENT OF YOUTH TASK GROUP

# 20 JUNE 2011

# **KEY ISSUES**

Surrey County Council is a statutory partner on the Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Partnership (CSP). The Local Committee has been delegated £2,500 to support the work of the CSP in 2011/12. The Committee is asked to a agree that the Community Partnership Manager manages and authorises expenditure from the budget delegated to the Local Committee in accordance with the Local Committee's decision, according to the Community Safety Strategy priorities.

The Local Committee is also asked to establish a Youth Task Group to assist and advise the Local committee in relation to Youth Issues and the future delivery of Youth Provision locally.

# **SUMMARY**

The Local Committee has a role in influencing and contributing to community planning in Reigate and Banstead and in planning for effective crime reduction initiatives particularly in relation to funding contributed by Surrey County Council towards the local crime prevention programme.

# OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS

# The Local Committee (Reigate and Banstead) is asked to:

- (i) Note the Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Partnership's Priorities for 2011/12.
- (ii) Nominate a County Councillor to the Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Partnership.

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- (iii) Agree that the community safety funding (£2,500) delegated to the Local Committee be transferred to the Community Safety Partnership.
- (iv) Agree that the Community Partnership Manager manages and authorises expenditure from the budget delegated to the Local Committee in accordance with the Local Committee's decision.
- (v) Note that the funding of £12,000 which is ring fenced for the use of the crime and disorder partnerships subject to Domestic Abuse outreach being provided, will be paid to the Surrey Community Safety Unit who are now managing and administering the funding to the Domestic Abuse Outreach providers in Reigate and Banstead.
- (vi) Agree the establishment of a Youth Task Group and nominate four Members (two County, two Borough) to sit on it.

#### 1 COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP

- 1.1 The Local Committee has delegated authority over a small budget of some £2,500 of Surrey County Council funding contributed towards addressing local areas of concern in relation to Community Safety.
- 1.2 The Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Partnership has agreed the following priorities in its plan for 2011/12:
  - Town Centre Crime and Disorder
  - Domestic Abuse
  - Youth-related Anti-Social Behaviour
  - Anti-Social Driving
  - Safer and Stronger Merstham
  - Public Reassurance and Communication
  - Substance Misuse
- 1.3 A Surrey County Council Member sits on the CSP to contribute to the debates and influence decisions which will affect local residents in Reigate and Banstead, and to report back to the Local Committee at regular intervals to keep committee members fully informed of progress.
- 1.4 Funding of £12,000 is ring fenced for Domestic Abuse outreach services locally. This will now be paid to the Surrey Community Safety Unit who are now responsible for managing and administering the funding to Domestic Abuse outreach providers in the borough.

#### 2 YOUTH TASK GROUP

- 2.1 The Local Committee has been asked to establish a Youth Task Group to assist and advise the committee in relation to Youth Issues and the future delivery of Youth Provision locally.
- 2.2 Surrey County Council's Youth Transformation Project has been looking at the future direction of the service regarding the way in which work with young people is delivered. Local Committees will have a role in commissioning preventative youth services from April 2012 with a delegated budget and small grants fund.

2.3 The Terms of Reference for this group are attached as **Annex A** to this report. The Committee is asked to nominate two County and two Borough Councillors to sit on the task group.

#### 3 OPTIONS

- 3.1 The Local Committee has an influencing and monitoring role on the work of CSP. It can note and comment on the Community Plan and it can also influence the decisions of the CSP.
- 3.2 Members can further the work of each of these bodies by nominating a County Member who will effectively represent the best interests of the County and of the local residents of Reigate and Banstead.
- 3.3 The Local Committee will have a commissioning role in local youth provision from April 2012, with a devolved budget of £171,000 and a small grants budget of £25,000 in 2012/13. The Youth Task Group will have a key role in advising and assisting the Committee in preparation for this.

#### 4 CONSULTATIONS

- 4.1 The Community Plan for Reigate and Banstead was subject to widespread consultation. Residents are consulted via a regular survey on all matters pertaining to Community Safety.
- 4.2 Local young people have been consulted in relation to the Youth Transformation Project, and will be involved in commissioning decisions.

#### 5 FINANCIAL AND VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The CSP funding is held in common with the other partners and decisions are taken as a group on how it should best be spent. This is done with particular attention to value for money.

#### 6 EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

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

#### 7 CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 7.1 Surrey County Council is a statutory partner on the CSP.
- 7.2 The Local Committee (Reigate and Banstead) is asked to:
  - (i) Note the Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Partnership's Priorities for 2011/12.
  - (ii) Nominate a County Councillor to the Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Partnership.

- (iii) Agree that the community safety funding (£2,500) delegated to the Local Committee be transferred to the Community Safety Partnership.
- (iv) Agree that the Community Partnership Manager manages and authorises expenditure from the budget delegated to the Local Committee in accordance with the Local Committee's decision.
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- (vi) Agree the establishment of a Youth Task Group and nominate four Members (two County, two Borough) to sit on it.

#### 8 REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 The Local Committee's service monitoring role and devolved budgets provide an excellent opportunity for supporting the work of the CSP.
- 8.2 All Local Committees are required to establish a Youth Task Group.

#### 9 WHAT HAPPENS NEXT

- 9.1 The Surrey County Council Member representative will attend the Community Safety Partnership meetings, and will support and enable county involvement on the targets of CSP and feedback to the Local Committee on a regular basis.
- 9.2 The Youth Task Group will meet, develop a work programme and report back to the Local Committee on a regular basis.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS: Reigate and Banstead Community Safety Plan 2011/12

**Draft Terms of Reference for Youth Task Group** 

**Objective:** 

The Local Committee (Reigate and Banstead) agreed on the 20 June 2011 that a Youth Task Group is established to assist and advise the local committee in relation to Youth Issues and the future delivery of Youth Provision locally.

The Youth Task Group is established jointly with Reigate and Banstead Borough Council.

### Membership

The Task Group will contain four appointees from the Local Committee - two County and two Borough Councillors. In addition the Task Group can invite up to four young people from the borough, all with equal status. The Task Group may also consult with other relevant members of the Committee.

#### General

- It is proposed to establish a Youth Task Group. The Task Group shall exist to advise the local committee. It has no formal decision making powers. The Task Group will:
  - A. Unless otherwise agreed meeting in private
  - B. Develop a work programme
  - C. Record actions,
  - D. Report back to the Local Committee on
- 2. The Task Groups function is to assist and advise the local committee in relation to Youth Issues and the future delivery of Youth Provision locally.
- 3. Officers supporting the Task Group will consult the Group and will give due consideration to the group's reasoning and recommendations prior to the officer writing their report to the parent local committee.
- 4. The Task Group can, should it so wish, respond to an officer report and submit its own report to the local committee.
- 5. The Task Group terms of reference and Membership is to be reviewed and agreed by the local committee annually.