



REPRESENTATION ON OUTSIDE BODIES AND APPOINTMENT OF TASK GROUPS

SCC LOCAL COMMITTEE IN SPELTHORNE 11 JULY 2005

KEY ISSUE:

To appoint Members to represent the Local Committee on outside bodies and to establish Joint Task Groups.

SUMMARY:

The Local Committee has previously established various Task Groups and appointed Members to represent the Local Committee. Members also serve on local inter-agency groups, representing the County Council.

This report seeks the reconstitution of appropriate Task Groups and the appointment of Members to the Task Groups and outside bodies etc.

OFFICER RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is asked to appoint Members to the outside bodies listed and to reconstitute Task Groups listed and appoint Members.

1.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

1.1 The Local Committee has previously established a number of Task Groups jointly with the Borough Council to progress specific local initiatives or has been represented by Members on a variety of Working Groups. To enable Members to report progress on the activities in which they are involved on behalf of the Local Committee it was agreed that update reports be made when relevant.

2.0 APPOINTMENTS TO OUTSIDE BODIES

The Committee is asked to make appointment to the following -

- **Local Strategic Partnership** (Local Committee Chairman)
The LSP Executive monitors overall progress towards the Community Plan and receives information from/disseminates information to the other partnership groups. It meets every two months. The Area Director is also a member of the LSP.
- **Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership** (Local Committee Chairman)
This is the statutory Board and a new invitation for the Local Committee to be represented. The Area Director is also a member of the Board
- **Thriving Spelthorne Partnership – Sub Group of the LSP** (a Member)
The Thriving Spelthorne Partnership is still in its infancy and its exact role and meetings are yet to be decided although it will include monitoring of an action plan for the Thriving section of the Community Plan (environment, economy, leisure, community cohesion)
- **Health and Social Care Partnership** (Chairman)
This is a sub group of the LSP and monitors the Healthy Spelthorne Targets and discusses issues from the various joint health/social care fora. The Board meets quarterly.
- **Spelthorne Younger People Partnership** (a Member)
The Young People's Partnership monitors achievement of the Young People's Best Value Improvement Plan (this acts as the action plan of the young people section of the Community Plan and is soon to be updated) and liaises with the Youth Council. It meets quarterly.

3.0 RECONSTITUTION OF TASK GROUPS

Walton Bridge Task Group (a Member)

Created in 2002 to have an active role in shaping the progress of the project. The task group consists of officers, two Spelthorne Local Committee Members and two Elmbridge Local Committee Members

This group is led by the County Council's Project Manager, who reports to the Executive (see report to Executive 16/09/03). The frequency of meetings will be reported to the Local Committee orally.

Decriminalised Parking Enforcement (DPE) (Chairman and a Member)

The implementation of DPE in April this year owes a lot to the work of the Task Group, who as a partnership between the County Council and the Borough Council, steered the project to a successful conclusion.

It seems sensible to re-establish that Task Group, which previously consisted of two County Council Members, two Borough Council Members and officers from both authorities. It would monitor and improve DPE as a part of an overall on and off street parking strategy. The Task Group would also deal with future developments such as Controlled Parking Zones (residents and pay and display on street parking) and the assessment of waiting restriction requests.

It is therefore proposed that the Task Group be re-constituted made up of two local County Members, two Borough Council Members and officers from both authorities. The group will be involved in the monitoring of DPE, resolution of operational\contractual issues as they arise and the development of DPE, for example Controlled Parking Zones and Residents Parking Schemes. The group will also on an annual basis approve requests for waiting restrictions received in the previous 12 months. It is expected that the Group will meet every eight weeks.

Heavy Freight Task Group

This Task Group has existed previously but it suggested that it not be reformed at present but Members need to be aware so that if the matter is resurrected we already have representatives nominated. In general this group would look at heavy freight movement through Spelthorne, Elmbridge and Runnymede.

4.0 EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

Equalities issues are considered within individual groups and specific considerations of high priority will be reported to the Local Committee.

5.0 CONCLUSION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 The purpose of this report is to enable the Local Committee to be represented on relevant outside bodies and to establish appropriate Task Groups which will be able to report back to the Local Committee.

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