

STRATEGY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

6.00pm –6.40pm

PRESENT: Councillors Adigun-Harris (Vice Chair), Barrett-Payton, Bradnack, Cantrill, Durrant, James, Phillips, Ward (Chair).

ALSO PRESENT: Councillor Ian Nimmo-Smith, The Leader.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE COUNCIL**04/STR/43 MINUTES**

The minutes of the meetings on 24 June and 19 July were confirmed as correct records and signed by the Chair.

04/STR/44 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Councillor Boyce.

04/STR/45 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Durrant declared personal interests on agenda items 04/49 as a member and Treasurer of the East Barnwell Community Centre and 04/50 as a Board Member of Jimmy's Nightshelter.

04/STR/46 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present.

04/STR/47 FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT *(See also Record of Decision 04/29)*

In response to a request from Councillor Durrant, the Scrutiny Committee agreed that a review of the proposed 20p, 30p and de minimis charges should be undertaken six months after the policy was introduced. Members of the Scrutiny Committee also agreed to Councillor Barrett-Payton's suggestion that officer costs of collection/administering were taken into account when reviewing the de minimis charge.

In accepting the Scrutiny Committee's recommendations, the Leader stated that he expected that the Council would use the information gathered on the various charges made for printing and photocopying across the organisation to introduce a uniform charging scheme.

The Scrutiny Committee agreed the recommendations for the Leader by 5 votes to 0, with the addition of a review as referred to above.

The Leader agreed the recommendations.

04/STR/48 **SERVICE PERFORMANCE REVIEW AND GENERAL FUND REVENUE & CAPITAL REVISED BUDGETS 2004/05** (*See also Record of Decision 04/30*)

The Scrutiny Committee agreed the recommendation for the Leader by 5 votes to 0.

The Leader agreed the recommendation.

04/STR/49 **SERVICE PERFORMANCE REVIEWS AND GENERAL FUND REVENUE & CAPITAL REVISED BUDGETS 2004/05 – OVERVIEW** (*See also Recommendation to Council 9 December 2004 and Record of Decision 04/31*)

The Scrutiny Committee noted the recommendations from the Deputy Leader following the Strategic IT Scrutiny Committee, which had been circulated on 17 November.

The Scrutiny Committee agreed the recommendations, which included the additions following Strategic IT Scrutiny Committee, for the Leader by 5 votes to 0.

The Leader agreed the recommendations.

04/STR/50 **APPLICATION FOR EXTENSION OF A DISPERSAL ORDER IN PARTS OF PETERSFIELD AND ROMSEY WARDS**

Councillor Bradnack asked if the Leader would support a police request, if made, for a Designated Public Places Order (DPPO) as a Dispersal Order was not the long term solution. The Leader advised the Scrutiny Committee that the strategy undertaken by various agencies in the Mill Road area to tackle anti-social behaviour had improved the situation compared to a year ago and a long-term approach was being developed. He stated that there were displacement issues whether the police applied a Dispersal Order or a DPPO.

Councillor Bradnack requested that the Scrutiny Committee receive a report on what is and what is not currently being achieved in the Mill Road area. The Head of Strategy & Partnerships advised the Committee that the draft Community Safety Strategy 2005/08 would be reported to the next meeting. The success of current approaches in tackling street life issues would be evaluated by the Community Safety Partnership as it developed more detailed action plans to deliver the strategy's priorities. The outcomes from this work were unlikely to be available before April.

The Committee noted the decision taken by the Leader as set out in the agenda.

04/STR/51 **RECORDS OF DECISION (i) LOCALAUTHORITY PARKING ENFORCEMENT (ii) EQUALITIES PANEL OFFICER MEMBERSHIP**

The Scrutiny Committee noted the Records of Decision.
The meeting ended at 6.40pm

CHAIR