

REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE

GENERAL REPORT

1. This report summarises the business transacted at a meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on 8 March 2006.

Alcohol Consumption in Designated Public Place - Criminal Justice and Police Act 2001

2. Members will recall that at the meeting of the Committee on 16 November 2005, we requested Chorley's Multi-Agency Problem Solving (MAPS) Team to assess and analyse the problem of nuisance and annoyance to the public associated with public drinking in not just the specified areas of Astley Village and Whittle-le-Woods but other areas of the Borough with a similar problem, and report back with a strategy to combat the problem.
3. We received at the meeting on 8 March 2006 a report from the Head of Corporate and Policy Services setting out the findings of the research and assessment of the implementation of a Designation Order.
4. We agreed that existing legislation be utilised more fully than previously and Police officers be informed of the powers; the situation continue to be monitored and fully assessed after six months and, if evidence suggests there are issues with adults only drinking in areas, then a report be prepared for this Committee concerning the making of a designation order(s).
5. We expressed concern at the inconsistency throughout the Borough of enforcement by the Police of the current legislation, as well as the constant changing of area officers and that the issue be raised at the Community Safety Partnership and the Chief Executive write to the Chair of the Police Authority.

Management Structure Grading of New and Existing Posts

6. We received and considered a confidential report of the Head of Human Resources to agree in principle and, subject to Executive Cabinet approval on 30 March 2006 the proposed grades, remuneration and redesignation of posts contained within the report that was submitted to Executive Cabinet on 23 February 2006.
7. We accepted the report and recommended that the proposed changes to the establishment be approved, in principle, pending the decision of the Executive Cabinet.

Recommendation

8. The Council is recommended to note this report.

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Chair of General Purposes Committee

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There are no background papers to this report.