
EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 19 OCTOBER 2015

EX.112/15 CLEAN NEIGHBOURHOOD ENFORCEMENT POLICY 2015
(Key Decision – KD.32/15)

Portfolio Environment and Transport

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Environment and Economy

Subject Matter

The Deputy Leader, and Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder submitted report LE.25/15 introducing a revised Enforcement Policy for tackling environmental crimes, including dog fouling, fly tipping, littering and graffiti.

The Deputy Leader explained that a good enforcement policy benefitted both the regulator and those subject to potential enforcement. She emphasised that proportional, fair and consistent enforcement was important in terms of ensuring that the Council retained the support of the community in undertaking its regulatory responsibilities.

The revised Enforcement Policy (attached at Appendix 1) incorporated the Community Protection Notice options brought in through the Anti-Social Behaviour and Policing Act 2014. It further outlined the principles of good enforcement and considered appropriate enforcement options. The issue of fixed penalty notices was covered and special consideration given to action against juvenile offenders. The key change in that version of the Enforcement Policy was the use of the Community Protection Notice process to deal with offenders in the 16 and 17 age range.

In conclusion the Deputy Leader, and Environment and Transport Portfolio Holder moved the recommendations set out within the report.

The Leader seconded the recommendations.

Summary of options rejected None

DECISION

That the Executive:

1. Had considered the revised Clean Neighbourhood Enforcement Policy and Appendix 1.

2. Referred the Policy to the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel for scrutiny.

Reasons for Decision

The recommended key actions had been identified following consultation and reflected the resources available to the Environmental Health Service in the financial year 2015 - 2016