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PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL SUMMONS TO A MEETING

You are hereby summonsed to attend a meeting of the Peterborough City Council, which will be held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Peterborough on

WEDNESDAY 14 APRIL 2010 at 7.00 pm

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PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING HELD 24 FEBRUARY 2010

The Mayor – Councillor Irene Walsh

Present:

Councillors: Arculus, Ash, Benton, Cereste, Collins, M Dalton, S Dalton, D Day, S Day, Dobbs, Elsey, Fitzgerald, Fower, Fletcher, JA Fox, JR Fox, Goldspink, Goodwin, Harrington, Hiller, Holdich, Hussain, Khan, Kreling, Lamb, Lane, Lee, Lowndes, Miners, Morley, Murphy, Nash, Nawaz, Newton, North, Over, Peach, Rush, Saltmarsh, Sanders, Sandford, Scott, Seaton, Sharp, Swift, Thacker, Trueman, Walsh, Wilkinson and Winslade.

One Minute's Silence

The Mayor announced that former Mayor Mary Rainey had recently died and invited the meeting to observe one minute's silence in Mary's memory.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillors Allen, Burton, C Day, Fazal and Todd.

2. Declarations of Interest

Members were advised that any submission on their Register of Interest form, which had been distributed to each councillor, need not be declared at the meeting.

Councillor Cereste declared a personal interest in item 7(i)a as Chairman of NHS Peterborough.

Councillor Sandford declared a personal interest that was prejudicial in item 7(i)a concerning the proposed amendments from Councillor Goldspink as he was on the Board of the Peterborough Environment City Trust. He would therefore, leave the chamber for any debate on this part of item 7(i)a.

Councillor Lee declared a personal interest in item 7(i)a as a member of the Police Authority.

Councillor Murphy requested information from the Solicitor to the Council as to why Councillor Cereste did not need to leave the chamber for item 7(i)a on the agenda as he did last year. The Solicitor to the Council, having obtained Councillor Cereste's permission to do so, advised Members that Councillor Cereste's position in the Council this year was one of greater authority and therefore Councillor Cereste was better able to balance the public interest across both organisations.

3. Minutes of the previous meetings

The minutes of the meetings held 2 December 2009 and 21 December 2009 were agreed and signed by the Mayor as an accurate record.

4. Communications Time

4(i) Mayor's Announcements

The report outlining the Mayor's engagements for the period 20 November 2009 to 20 February 2010 was noted.

4(ii) Leader's Announcements

The Leader reported that following the last full Council meeting, investigations had been made into webcasting Council meetings and this had been shared with group leaders. A full report would be submitted to the next Full Council meeting.

4(iii) Chief Executive's Announcements

There were no announcements from the Chief Executive.

5. Community Involvement Time

5(i) Questions with Notice by Members of the public

Questions were asked in respect of Children's Centres, public toilet facilities in Alma Road and figures for interpreting services at Thorpe Wood Police Station.

5(ii) Questions with notice by Members of the Council relating to ward matters to Cabinet Members and to Committee Chairmen

Questions were asked in respect of the sale of land at Dickens Street, parking in Dogsthorpe, traffic management and traffic signalling. Due to time constraints, Councillor Sanders would receive a written response to his question. Councillor Sanders passed on his thanks to Paul Phillipson, Executive Director Operations, for helping to resolve the issues raised in his question concerning traffic management.

5(iii) Questions with Notice by Members of the Council to representatives of the Police and Fire Authorities

There were no questions raised.

A summary of all questions and answers raised within agenda items 5(i) and 5(ii) are attached at **Appendix A**.

5(iv) Petitions submitted by Members or Residents

Petitions were received from Councillor Lee in respect of Improvements at the Dell Playground in Woodston and from Councillor Fower in opposition to the development of allotments at Gunthorpe Recreation Ground.

6. Executive Business Time

6(i) Questions with Notice to the Leader and Members of the Executive

Questions were asked in respect of the following:

- Snow / ice hazards on pavements public responsibility/liability issues;
- Progress on implementing Fares Fair programme;
- Role of corporate parents and corporate parenting group;
- Removal of yellow salt bins from sheltered housing complexes.

Councillor Murphy agreed to remove his question as previous responses had already answered his queries.

Councillors Miners and Goldspink agreed to receive written responses to their questions.

A summary of all questions and answers raised within agenda item 6 (i) is attached at **Appendix B**.

6(ii) Questions without Notice on the Record of Executive Decisions

Members received and noted a report summarising:

- Decisions from the Cabinet Meetings held 14 December 2009 and 8 February 2010;
- Use of the council's call-in mechanism, which had been invoked once since the last meeting;
- Waiver of Call-in provision, in respect of the decision to award a loan to Orton Community Transport Association;
- Cabinet Member Decisions taken during the period 20 November 2009 to 12 February 2010.

Questions were asked about the following:

City Council's Biodiversity Strategy: Update of Strategy to Take Account of Legislative Changes

Councillor Sandford queried why the strategy had not been approved as it was already an amended version. Councillor Lee responded that further work was still to be undertaken before a final version could be approved. Councillor Sandford raised the issue that recommendations had previously been approved in a strategy in 2003 and queried why work had not begun on these recommendations already. Councillor Lee responded that previous recommendations were not relevant to the decision to refer the current strategy back to the Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee.

Peterborough's New Growth Delivery Arrangements

Councillor Fower queried which capital market specialists had been involved in dialogue with the city council. Councillor Cereste responded that this information was not currently available but all avenues were currently being explored to deliver growth. Councillor Fower queried that there seemed to be a reliance on advice from the private sector even in an economic downturn. Councillor Cereste commented that both public and private sector organisations could be used to deliver growth in Peterborough in the difficult economic climate.

Refreshing the Local Strategic Plan

Councillor Fower queried which other public services the city council would collaborate with. Councillor Cereste responded that any other organisation that wanted to participate could collaborate with the city council.

Older People's Accommodation Strategy Implementation

Councillor Miners queried whether land adjacent to Welland House was being used for the redevelopment and if not, why? Councillor Miners further queried the degree of involvement of Cross Keys Homes in the agreements and developments at The Croft and at the Peverels sites. Councillor Lamb agreed to submit a written response to Councillor Miners detailing the information requested.

Bus Service Review

Councillor Sandford requested to know the cost to hold the Cabinet meeting that received the called-in Decision when the only change recommended was to correct a verbal update that was not

originally included in the approved Cabinet Decision. Councillor Sandford requested that Councillor Hiller provide the cost for holding the meeting as if the verbal update had not been omitted from the report in the first instance, the meeting would not have been needed. Councillor Cereste responded that any cost associated with holding the extra Cabinet meeting was not relevant to the decision taken and that Cabinet met to consider a call-in referral from a Scrutiny Committee, not at Councillor Hiller's request.

Councillor Ash queried the rationale for ending the 410 service between Newark and Dogsthorpe as the service was valued by many residents. Councillor Hiller responded that Officers had given assurances that no journey would be unable to be taken following the changes to services.

<u>Peterborough Local Development Framework: Peterborough Site Allocations Document (Preferred Options Stage)</u>

Councillor Murphy queried the location of some sites contained in the document as they seemed to be situated on flood plains. Councillor Cereste responded that the document was entering a consultation phase and therefore, proposed sites could be changed.

Peterborough City Council Lottery Grants - Transfer to Sports Aid

Cllr Fitzgerald queried whether Peterborough City Council would receive any credit for its contribution of Lottery grant money to Sports Aid. Councillor Lee responded that Lottery grants given to Sports Aid were spent in Peterborough and a press release was sent out but press coverage of this was disappointing and requested the members of the press present to re-run the story to help promote the work of Sports Aid.

Orton Community Transport Association – trading as Dial-a-ride – Approval of Loan

Councillor Fower queried the amount of money loaned to the organisation and the reason for this. Councillor Cereste responded that the amount of loan was around £10,000 and this stopped the organisation becoming bankrupt and ensured people working at the organisation remained in employment. Councillor Fower responded that members of the public should have been able to access this information previously.

Amendment to Community Leadership Fund (CLF) Procedures

Councillor Fower queried the changes and questioned whether the procedure was becoming less democratic if the Leader can ultimately decide the use of the funds. Councillor Cersete responded that changes increased the democracy and fairness in the process as any both sides of any dispute will be able to be balanced before a final decision was made.

Councillor Goldpsink queried that the 1 March deadline for submission of requests was too far before the financial year's end of 31 March. Councillor Cereste responded that the one month notice before the financial year's end could be looked at again.

Councillor Saltmarsh queried how many Wards had not spent all of their allocation of CLF monies. Councillor Cereste responded that that information was not available to him but could request that it was published.

Councillor Sandford queried that instead of all Ward Councillors agreeing to a scheme, the Leader would be taking power away from the Ward Councillors. Councillor Cereste responded that the Leader of the Council would not need to become involved if the Councillors within a Ward communicated with each other better to resolve the allocation of the funds.

Councillor J R Fox requested that any wards that had not spent their CLF monies by the year's end should be published.

Councillor Sanders queried whether Community Leadership Fund monies would be moved to Neighbourhood Council control. Councillor Cereste responded that there were no plans to do this.

Councillor Trueman queried whether the process could be made easier if Councillors were excluded from it altogether. Councillor Cersete responded that this would not be the case.

The meeting adjourned from 8.30pm to 8.45pm.

7. Council Business Time

7(i) Executive Recommendations

 a) Medium Term Financial Strategy – Budget 2010/11 and Medium Term Financial Plan to 2014/15, incorporating the Council Tax Resolutions 2010/11, the Asset Management Plan and Capital Strategy

Council considered the budget for 2010/11 in the context of a 5 year medium term financial plan and corporate plan running to 2014/15 taking into account both its own requirements and those of relevant precepting bodies such as the Police, Fire and Parish Councils where applicable.

The Cabinet Member for Resources presented the budget and moved the recommendations detailed in the Budget Book, together with amendments detailed in Appendices C and D of the Order Paper (attached as **Appendix C** to these minutes). During his speech, the Cabinet Member for Resources highlighted the following points:

- The economic crisis has led to considerable uncertainty in economic matters;
- Central Government had increasing debts to pay off;
- The concessionary bus fares scheme for elderly residents was increasingly popular and funds were needed for this:
- Central Government grant had not increased in line with an increase in population;
- Many operational savings had been made within the Council totalling around £31million;
- The Manor Drive initiative alone has helped save £1million;
- Council Tax remains 10% below the national average and Peterborough remains in the lowest 5 local authorities for Council Tax levels;
- Departmental Delivery Contracts would be focused on to ensure services were being delivered.

The Cabinet Member for Resources commended the budget to the Council. In seconding the proposals, Cllr Cereste reserved his right to speak later in the debate.

(Councillor Sandford leaves the meeting)

The Mayor announced that an amendment had been received from Councillor Goldspink, details of which were outlined in Appendix A(1) of the Order Paper (attached as **Appendix D** to these minutes). Councillor Goldspink presented the amendment which proposed the following:

- A reduction in the efficiency savings proposed for Adult Social Care;
- A removal of the liability for rent and rates for the Women's Resource Centre until 2012;
- A removal of the provision for Water Taxi infrastructure;
- A reduction in expenditure on Council Communications team and in Chairman's and Cabinet allowances;
- Halving the cost of translation services;
- A removal of Wi-Fi provision in the city centre;
- A withdrawal of Peterborough Environment City Trust core funding and operations manager salary support;
- A postponement of the programme of events for Peterborough Area, Environmental Projects and Investment in Heritage by one year;
- A reduction in the grant to Opportunity Peterborough;

- A removal of the increase proposed by Councillor Seaton's amended budget for the implementation of a programme of events for Peterborough area.
- Increases in grants to Community Associations and funds to tackle potholes and cracks in roads;
- A partial restoration of some rural bus services and retention of school meal subsidies;
- A removal of the charge for bulky waste collections;
- A reduction in Council tax from 2.5% to 1.9%.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Murphy who reserved his right to speak later in the debate.

A debate followed after which Councillor Murphy highlighted issues including the unstable financial climate, the need to address issues now rather than making too many long term plans and the need to consider the priorities of the residents of the city first. A vote was taken on the amendment. This was DEFEATED by 2 in favour, 41 against and 6 abstentions.

(Councillor Sandford returned to the meeting)

The Mayor announced that a second amendment had been received from Councillor Sandford, details of which were outlined in Appendix B(1) of the Order Paper (attached as **Appendix E** to these minutes). Councillor Sandford presented the amendment which proposed the following:

- A discontinuation of Your Peterborough Magazine;
- A discontinuation of the Community Leadership Fund;
- A reduction in budget for consultants/interim managers by replacement with directly employed posts;
- A removal of provision for water taxis;
- A removal of provision for City Centre Wi-Fi;
- A removal of the provision for revenue costs of Cathedral Square fountains and require Opportunity Peterborough to fund this;
- A reduction in Members' allowances budget by deleting Cabinet Advisor or some Cabinet posts;
- Increased funding for streetlight maintenance and replacement;
- Increase funding for pavements, footpaths and cycle ways;
- Retain funding for litter bins;
- Restore bus service subsidy budget;
- Allow school meals subsidy;
- Increase winter maintenance budget;
- Restore funding for public toilets;
- Increase tree and shrub planting and improvement of urban green space;
- Reduce the savings proposed in Adult Social Care;
- Extend time period for Park and Ride service;
- Increase contribution to PCT to reduce teenage pregnancy rates.

The amendment was seconded by Councillor Fower who reserved his right to speak later in the debate.

A debate followed after which Councillor Fower highlighted issues including that many vulnerable people had not been considered in the proposed budget, the Your Peterborough magazine was an unnecessary luxury, Community Leadership Fund money often went unspent and causes such as the St Theresa's Day Centre could be assisted instead of Wi-Fi provision in the city centre. A vote was taken on the amendment. This was DEFEATED by 3 in favour, 36 against and 11 abstentions.

A debate was held on the substantive budget as proposed by the Cabinet Member for Resources and a vote taken.

During the debate above, the Mayor moved a motion that the guillotine be extended beyond 11pm to incorporate the brief adjournment held earlier in the meeting. Councillor Fower seconded the motion which was **AGREED**.

It was **RESOLVED** (35 votes in favour, 5 against and 8 abstentions) to approve:

- The revenue budget 2010/11 and Medium Term Financial Plan for 2011/12 to 2014/15 set in the context of the Sustainable Community Strategy;
- The capital programme for 2010/11 to 2014/15 and related strategies and indicators;
- The council tax increase of 2.5% for 2010/11 and indicative increases of 2.5% in each year until 2014/15;
- The amendments set out at Appendix C to these minutes; and
- The council tax resolution set out at **Appendix F** to these minutes including the proposed council tax level for the new Hampton Parish Council.

7(ii) Committee Recommendations

a) Publication of Members' Interests and Gifts and Hospitality Registers – Standards Committee recommendation

Councillor Miners moved the recommendations as set out within the report. Councillor Saltmarsh seconded the motion. A brief debate was held where the Solicitor to the Council confirmed that, in practice, Members would have to request an item be withheld from the website.

The recommendations in the report were **APPROVED**.

7(iii) Notices of Motion

None were received.

7(iv) Reports and Recommendations

a) Appointment to Committee

Councillor Lee moved the recommendation in the report that Councillor Arculus replace Councillor Dobbs on the Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee. This was seconded by Councillor David Day.

The recommendation in the report was **APPROVED**.

Mayor 11.15 p.m.

SUMMARY OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS RAISED UNDER AGENDA ITEM 5 -COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TIME

5(i) Questions with Notice by Members of the Public

1. Mr John Shearman asked the Cabinet member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development:

Some months ago the Council closed the car park in Alma Road and in so doing exacerbated the already dire parking situation in that area. The Council is now proposing to close the public toilets on the same site which, in the view of residents, will encourage the street drinkers who congregate in that area to urinate in public places. Why does the Council not care about the quality of life of the residents in this small part of Peterborough?

Councillor Hiller responded:

The toilets at Alma Road are regularly abused and provide little facility for any local resident. Needles and other drugs paraphernalia have to be removed on a twice daily basis and the buildings internally have been covered in excrement and other bodily fluids. The persons responsible for this abuse do not respect the segregation and on recent occasions as many as twelve men have had to be removed from the ladies toilets. The recommendation for the closure and other toilets for various reasons has therefore been put to Council as part of the budget process.

Mr John Shearman asked the following supplementary question:

If the Council accepts that the behaviour of some of the users is a problem why was no response forthcoming from Councillor Peach when I wrote to him on 28 September last year?

Councillor Hiller responded:

I am not aware of any correspondence with Councillor Peach but this matter could be discussed within the Neighbourhood Council for your area.

2. Mr Ed Murphy asked the Cabinet member for Children's Services:

Recently the Children's play facility at South Bretton has been closed and the facilities at Hobson's have been closed for a number of years and never replaced. Under the last Conservative administration it was incorrectly stated via the press that children's play had overspent. The council was however considering the sell off of sites to developers and the closure of play centres. What plans are there to re-open and provide more children's play centres for a growing population with more and more children? Was it a decision of the council, the cabinet member, a consultant or an officer to close the facilities in Bretton and are there any more closures planned by this administration?

CIIr Scott responded:

There are no plans to close play centres on a permanent basis.

A peripatetic play worker, supported by casual staff has continued to provide a service to children aged 5-13 in the central ward. Recently with extended school funding, additional sporting activities have been organised in the Gladstone Park Recreation Centre.

The decision to close Copeland in South Bretton on a temporary basis was a solution to staffing shortages and was taken by an officer.

This was based on:

- being the least suitable building of all the centres for the activity;
- the centre was located in the least disadvantaged of all the areas;
- another play centre was located a mile away and we have offered transport during the period of the closure.

There are no plans to sell any sites and we are looking at how we can develop the sites to be centres for children and young people aged 0-19.

Mr Murphy asked the following supplementary question:

It is fair to believe that a temporary closure would result in a reopening of the centre in the future, can you confirm what transport arrangements would be put in place if it were to remain closed in the view that the Conservative Party propose to reduce the budgets for play centres by 25%?

Councillor Scott responded:

I cannot to commit to all play centres remaining open indefinitely in the current financial climate. I can provide a written response to the question about future transport arrangements. I was aware of the officer decision to close the play centre in question.

3. Mr Ed Murphy asked the Police Authority Representative:

Following recent controversy over the use of incorrect figures by Conservative politicians, I would like to ask if our Police Authority Member can confirm the figures concerning the number of people being processed at Thorpe Wood Police Station. Recently Mr. Jackson, the incumbent MP, stated that half of those processed at Thorpe Wood required help with translation yet the police have said this is not the case and the figure is much lower. Challenged about using false figures Mr. Jackson now says he researched the period of summer and autumn 2009 and that the figure was 50%. The figures for the last month, January, are public and show Mr. Jackson has been misleading us and parliament when he says half of those processed in Thorpe Wood Police Station are foreign nationals and require help with translation. Can you tell me if you believe his figures which he says are from last summer and autumn are true or false?

And if it transpires they are false what do you think about an MP for Peterborough using misleading information on policing matters?

Councillor Lee responded:

It would be inappropriate for me to comment on statements made by the MP for Peterborough, Stewart Jackson, as these can be addressed by the MP himself. The figures for translation services at Thorpe Wood Police Station for January have been given to the requestor previously; of 712 detainees processed, 182 were foreign nationals and 97 of whom needed a translator. The figures for the period covering Summer and Autumn 2009, which was also referred to in the question, are not currently available to the Police Authority. I have been advised that the submission of a Freedom of Information request to Cambridgeshire Constabulary asking for figures for the whole year may ensure an accurate reflection rather than relying on figures based solely on one month.

Mr Ed Murphy asked the following supplementary question:

Considering that a Freedom of Information request would take up lots of resources for Cambridgeshire Constabulary, could you in your position as a member of the Police Authority request the information for August and September?

Councillor Lee responded:

It was the Labour government that introduced the Freedom of Information legislation and this has already cost many local authorities much time and money.

5(ii) Questions with Notice by Members relating to Ward matters:

1. Councillor Goldspink asked the Cabinet Member for Resources the following question:

I recently received a draft Cabinet Member Decision Notice on the sale of land at Dickens Street that failed to reflect any of my comments sought as a Ward Member and did not seem to have taken into account the need to retain key land for possible future highways development. Can the Cabinet Member please advise me what the consultation policy is prior to cabinet decisions being made, i.e. should the decision notice fully reflect ward members comments and questions, or is such consultation merely to tick a box?

Councillor Seaton responded:

Ward Councillors are consulted on Executive Decisions that have an effect upon their ward. The consultation is more than a tick box exercise as the inclusion of Ward Councillor comments on the Decision Notice enables the Cabinet Member taking the Decision to be made aware of and consider any issues that ward councillors have relating to the Decision. It would be for the Cabinet Member to weigh up and give necessary consideration to any comments from Ward Councillors before taking an Executive Decision. Councillor Goldspink is aware of the developments around Dickens Street and has accepted the approach.

Councillor Goldspink asked the following supplementary question:

Do you think that officers should have consulted with the Management Committee of the Millennium Centre first before further progression with plans?

Councillor Seaton responded:

Having not received the draft Decision Notice yet I cannot comment on the consultations listed in it. This issue was confidential with Councillor Goldspink but Radio Cambridgeshire were able to broadcast details of the Decision and this should not have been shared with the radio station.

Councillor Goldspink added:

Radio Cambridgeshire had already received a draft Decision Notice before contacting me and I did not reveal any details that the radio station did not already have.

2. Councillor Miners asked the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development the following question:

PEP (Parking Enforcement Programme) implemented within the Old Dogsthorpe area has been a general success. However, there are still many areas within this local community (Eastern Avenue, Central Avenue, Ash Road, Chestnut Avenue etc) where grass verges are being systematically destroyed, mainly as a result of vehicles being driven over them, without dropped kerbing & driveways so that cars/vans can be parked in front garden curtilages (many also without hard standings).

Could the Cabinet Member please clarify current legislation governing these environmental acts of abuse, and whether the City Council (or the Police) requires any new legislation to eradicate these acts of anti-social behaviour?

Councillor Hiller responded:

With regards to parking on the grass verges within the Old Dogsthorpe area, a specific Traffic Regulation Order was granted through the Department for Transport to enforce verge parking.

In order to allow this Order to be progressed, extensive funding was required to create additional off street parking places in the form of lay-bys. Without such an order, the only verge parking that can be legally enforced is adjacent to waiting restrictions where, under normal circumstances, the order covers the highway to its boundary.

Damage to verges has become a widespread problem and as a result we are looking at other ways to improve the situation. The main issue is that, at present, the Council does not have a policy to back up any actions it may wish to take. I have asked the relevant department to prepare a document for consultation.

There are a number of options that can be included using different parts of the available legislation but these need to be backed up by policy and joint working within the authority. The neighbourhood officers and councils will be important elements of any policy working closely with inspectors from our highways section.

I hope that the new policy will be in place ready to combat the problem before next winter which is the time when the worst damage is done.

Councillor Miners asked the following supplementary question:

Many residents have paid money to have kerbs dropped to avoid parking on verges but others haven't. Could evidence be gathered to seek unacceptable behaviour orders or ASBOs if infringements continue?

The Cabinet Member responded:

I will put this suggestion forward for inclusion in the consultation document.

3. Councillor Ash asked the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development the following question:

All will, I'm sure, welcome the new retail facilities at Junction 8 (Eye Road/Paston Parkway) and the jobs they have created. However, can the Cabinet Member tell us why, in spite of;

- a) concerns raised by local ward councillors;
- b) experiences of traffic problems at Maskew Avenue;
- c) representations from local residents groups;

Didn't anybody appear to be ready for the chaos resulting from the opening of the new retail site?

Is he in a position to assure local people that road safety has not been nor will be compromised by the delay in works at this junction?

Can we be confident that once the works are finally completed, traffic flows will be at a reasonable level and that there will be a safe crossing point at this junction?

Can local residents living nearby be assured that they will not, now or in the future, be adversely affected by the works?

Finally is he able to assure local residents that the delays to the contract will not have a detrimental impact on the works in Welland Road, drawn up to mitigate the expected increase in traffic resulting from the new arrangements on the A47 and the knock on effect throughout the Dogsthorpe Ward?

Councillor Hiller responded:

The first weekend of trading at any new retail outlet is bound to cause some problems. The main issue during the first two days was a fault with the traffic signals and insufficient signage

and management in the car park. A meeting was held between officers of PCC, the Garden Park management and Police, which led to a number of changes being implemented. The following weekend did not create the same issues as a result.

The works at junction 8, adjacent to the above signalised junction, will start in mid March and road safety, both during and on completion of the works, will not be compromised in any way. Controlled crossing points are included in the scheme as are high mast signal heads giving good forward visibility and a new 40mph speed limit around the junction.

Traffic flows are forecast to grow in the city, particularly in view of the growth agenda and I therefore can not guarantee that delays will never occur at these junctions but this should only happen in unusual circumstances, such as the opening of new facilities.

The Welland Road scheme will commence at the same time as the junction 8 works and will be completed around the time of the opening of the new road in the summer.

I have also suggested that, leading up to and during the Junction 8 works, officers engage in fortnightly meetings with ward members and Parish Councillors, to ensure that everyone is kept informed of progress. Having discussed the issues, it has been proposed to close the lights in one direction to enable better traffic flow during the forthcoming Junction 8 works.

Councillor Ash asked the following supplementary question:

Why did the computer model that had been shown to residents not appear to work on this occasion?

Councillor Hiller responded:

The computer model seen previously was for the forthcoming Junction 8 road works scheme and not the scheme for the Garden Centre development.

SUMMARY OF QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS RAISED UNDER AGENDA ITEM 6 – EXECUTIVE BUSINESS TIME

6(i) Questions with Notice from Members to the Leader and Members of the Executive

1. Councillor Lane asked the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community development the following question:

Snow and ice is a 'natural hazard', so if anyone slips on it there is no-one to blame. However, as soon as someone grits the pavement it would seem they take responsibility for gritting and could become the target of an injured party who argued the path was not gritted properly. A recent LGA survey has found that 73% of respondents would support legal protection for civic-minded people who did their bit to help out during freezing weather conditions.

Will the Cabinet Member offer this Council's response to public concern on this issue, and:

- show acknowledgement and appreciation towards such civic-minded individuals;
- consider a responsibility for public safety;
- administer a list of trained volunteers, all of whom could be willing at certain times
 to treat known trouble spots in their community with salt or grit provided by the
 Council and;
- allow all named volunteers to be given liability cover by the Council's own Public Liability Insurance?

The Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development responded:

I can confirm that if you create a slip hazard on the highway whilst shifting snow you may be liable if anyone is injured as a result.

Although I fully acknowledge and appreciate the will of civic-minded individuals, there is a need to fully appreciate the possible implications and logistics.

The following points are key and need to be carefully considered:

- 1. The Council's insurance could not be extended to cover any civic-minded person who decides to grit their local area.
- 2. Our public liability insurance could include trained volunteers who are gritting on our behalf, but only if the following conditions are met:
 - they have received formal, adequate training
 - they are provided with written guidelines regarding when, where and how to grit
 - risk assessments are carried out upon the activity
 - they sign a waiver to say they are carrying out this activity at their own risk and cannot hold the Council responsible if they slip on ice themselves
 - adequate salt is provided to carry out the gritting, as once people expect gritting to be carried out in a particular area they can rely upon it and any failure on our part to grit subsequently can create a liability
 - regular instructions are provided to the volunteers as to when and how much they should grit
 - records are retained to show all training, guidelines, risk assessments and instructions to grit as this will form the basis of any defence to claims arising from these activities

In addition the authority might find itself inadvertently entering into an employment relationship with these volunteers if we implement the recommendations above. We can have a clear agreement with them beforehand that no employment relationship is intended but nonetheless once we begin to exercise control over where and when to spread grit, training of and monitoring of volunteers we open ourselves up to a claim of an employment relationship existing.

Taking on board all the aforementioned facts and the risk to the authority I would not advise this is pursued.

Councillor Lane asked the following supplementary question:

It seems that regulations make it increasingly difficult to be civic minded. Could a working group be created to investigate the possibility of implementing a scheme, seeking advice form Suffolk County Council which already has one in operation?

The Cabinet Member responded:

I will request for a working group to be established but note that the obstructions put forward are not Peterborough City Council generated regulations.

2. Councillor Sandford ask the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development the following question:

Last summer Full Council unanimously passed a motion in support of the Peterborough Youth Council's "Fares Fair" campaign for cheaper bus fares for young people in Peterborough and asked the cabinet to investigate ways in which this could be progressed. Since then we have received no information on what is happening. Could the Cabinet Member tell us what investigations have been carried out, what are the conclusions and when he will be able to report the findings either to Full Council, the Cabinet or the relevant scrutiny committee?

The Cabinet Member responded:

From the very early stages the Youth Council was made aware that they would need to do some work to gather data such as how many students would be affected, what their journeys may be and if they already travel by public transport. They haven't done any work on this to my knowledge.

The latest situation is an email from Cathy Summers dated 4 December 2009 providing the data we had gathered on their behalf and offering again to meet with them. Nothing further has been heard from the Youth Council.

I'm unable to give a ball park figure of costs as we don't have any idea of numbers etc until the Youth Council provides this information. In addition, it is not a statutory requirement to provide reduced/free fares for youths. As the concessionary fares costs continue to rise it is difficult to justify doing further work on this at this stage. Equally, as in other areas, it needs the Youth Council to take a proactive approach and undertake some meaningful research.

I'm not aware of any requirement to take a report to Full Council, the Cabinet or the relevant scrutiny committee.

Councillor Sandford asked the following supplementary question:

Officers have said that they could not carry out the market research needed as it would cost over £20,000. This is too expensive for children to be able to carry out the work themselves and do you consider it to be unreasonable to ask them to do so?

The Cabinet Member responded:

The Youth Council is taken seriously by the Council but sometimes communications are an issue. I am not aware of the figure of £20,000 being given and will investigate this with officers.

3. Councillor Saltmarsh will ask the Cabinet Member for Children's Services:

Could the Cabinet Member please clarify the role of Members and their responsibilities as Corporate Parents to children in the care of the City Council?

Also, as the meetings of the Corporate Parenting group are not well attended could she advise Members who should be attending these meetings?

The Cabinet Member for Children's Services may answer:

Peterborough City Council has a corporate parenting role in relation to children in care and leaving the care of the city council. Members should be aware of the impact of all council decisions on their looked after children. They should be informed about the quality of services their looked after children are receiving.

Members should consider if it would be good enough for their own child and ensure action is taken to address any shortcomings. Services should be scrutinised by the corporate parenting group in relation to the "Every Child Matters" five outcomes, these are:

Be healthy
Stay Safe
Make a positive contribution
Enjoy and achieve
Achieve economic wellbeing

Councillors need to be aware of any obstacles preventing children and young people from achieving these outcomes and ensure plans are in place to overcome such obstacles.

The Children in Care Council and the Corporate Parenting Group have been working on the Peterborough Pledge to Children in Care. This will be submitted to Scrutiny, Cabinet and Council in the next few weeks.

Also, a piece of work needs to be carried out by officers with the current corporate parenting group regarding the make up of the group. We need to ensure all councillors are aware of their corporate parenting responsibility and investigate how we can work together as a council to ensure the needs of children in care are met. This may include expanding the corporate parenting group.

The Deputy Leader provided a point of information:

The role as corporate parents is taken very seriously by the Council. It has recently been agreed with Officers that all children in care within the Peterborough authority will have free access to leisure and cultural facilities in the city.

4. Councillor John Fox asked the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development:

Why were the Yellow salt/grit bins taken away from Sheltered Housing complexes and could we not encourage Registered Social Landlords to replace these much needed facilities?

The Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods, Housing and Community Development may answer:

Operations Directorate do not control the grit bins within sheltered housing areas. This is the responsibility of the respective housing organisations that manage the complexes, which would

need to carry out a risk assessment as to how best to address any slippery surfaces within their control.

We can give advice on supply and purchase of grit bins and salt if they so wish, however, we cannot insist that they are installed.

- 5. Councillor Miners' question about condition of pavements and cycle ways will be answered in a written response.
- 6. Councillor Goldspink's question about the annual budget will be answered in a written response.

7. Councillor Sandford asked the Leader:

According to information obtained in a freedom of information act request by a member of the public and reported in the local press, the Peterborough United Football Ground was valued at between £4 million and £4.7 million in a valuation given to the City Council by surveyors GVA Grimley prior to the Council's recent purchase of the ground. If this is correct, why did the Council pay £8.5 million to purchase the football ground and why was information on the valuation received not given to councillors before they were asked to vote on the issue in December?

The Leader responded:

There was a public briefing for all members just before the Council meeting in December at which the valuation was discussed with the officers. However at the briefing they were also advised that the stadium's assets were valued at around a further £5m based upon the future development potential.

As part of my speech I again referred to the valuation placed on the site of between £4 and £4.7m but I also set out the reasons why we were going to buy at a level above this emphasising the benefits, for example the Community Stadium.

So I don't think that you can look at the original valuation in isolation when considering whether the price paid was good value for the Council. As a Council we had much wider considerations to take account of and we listened to our advisors who advised that given the development potential of the site a price of £8m represented value for money.

Councillor Sandford asked the following supplementary question:

A Freedom of Information request was submitted to the Council regarding the valuation of the land that was purchased. Why are the details of this request not published on the council website along with other Freedom of Information requests?

The Leader responded:

I am not aware why this is not on the website but will ask officers to investigate this.

APPENDIX C

COUNCIL MEETING 24 FEBRUARY 2010

Alternative Budget Proposal

Amendment to be moved by Councillor D Seaton

That the proposed budget as set out in the budget papers be amended as follows:

(1) Revenue Budget Amendments (note: no change to the overall council tax increase):

| | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 | 2014/15 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Revenue programme | | | | | |
| Savings: | | | | | |
| Reduce revenue provision for water taxis | 20,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reduced capital financing charges | 15,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| | 35,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| Increase in spending: | | | | | |
| Replacement of new bin charge – only from | | | | | |
| second bin lost /stolen | 35,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 |
| Increase implementation of a programme of | | | | | |
| events for Peterborough area | 0 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| | 35,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |

(2) Capital Budget Amendments:

| | 2010-11 |
|--|---------|
| | £ |
| OUT (savings) | |
| Delete provision for water taxis – Funded by borrowing | 600,000 |
| | 600,000 |
| IN (new spending) | |
| Provision for water taxis – External third party funding | 600,000 |

(3) Consequential amendments being made to Capital Strategy, Programme and Disposals (Appendix 3) and Prudential Code, Treasury Management Strategy and Minimum Revenue Provision Strategy (Appendix 4)

APPENDIX D

COUNCIL MEETING 24 FEBRUARY 2010

Amendment to Council Tax Resolution

That the proposed resolution as set out in the budget papers be amended as follows:

(1) Resolution 3(i) Part of the Council's Area:

Original Table in Budget Papers (page 7)

| | | Valuation Bands | | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-----------------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Α | В | С | D | Е | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Hampton | 735.70 | 858.31 | 980.93 | 1,103.54 | 1,348.78 | 1,594.01 | 1,839.24 | 2,207.09 |

Amended table

| | | Valuation Bands | | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-----------------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Α | В | С | D | E | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Hampton | 735.69 | 858.31 | 980.92 | 1,103.54 | 1,348.77 | 1,594.00 | 1,839.23 | 2,207.08 |

(2) Resolution 5 Council Tax:

Original Table in Budget Papers (page 9)

| | | Valuation Bands | | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Α | В | С | D | E | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Hampton | 887.32 | 1,035.20 | 1,183.09 | 1,330.97 | 1,626.75 | 1,922.52 | 2,218.29 | 2,661.95 |

Amended table

| | | Valuation Bands | | | | | | |
|---------|--------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Α | В | С | D | Е | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Hampton | 887.31 | 1,035.20 | 1,183.08 | 1,330.97 | 1,626.74 | 1,922.51 | 2,218.28 | 2,661.94 |

COUNCIL MEETING 24 FEBRUARY 2010

Alternative Budget Proposal

Amendment to be moved by Councillor S Goldspink

That the proposed budget as set out in the budget papers be amended as follows:

Revenue Budget Amendments:

| | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 | 2014/15 |
|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Revenue programme | | | | | |
| OUT (savings) | | | | | |
| Adult Social care - efficiency savings | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Women's resource centre rent and rates - self sufficient after 2 years or close | 0 | 0 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Water taxi infrastructure | 30,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Reduction in comms dept expenditure | 275,000 | 275,000 | 275,000 | 275,000 | 275,000 |
| Reduction in Chairman's and cabinet Allowances | 95,000 | 95,000 | 95,000 | 95,000 | 95,000 |
| Halve the cost of translation services | 51,000 | 51,000 | 51,000 | 51,000 | 51,000 |
| Wifi operational costs | 105,000 | 113,000 | 113,000 | 120,000 | 120,000 |
| Withdraw PECT core funding and operations manager salary support | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Programme of events for Peterborough Areaslip by 1 yr | 170,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Environmental projects - slip by 1 yr | 75,000 | 0 | 25,000 | 0 | 0 |
| Investment in heritage - slip by 1 year | 100,000 | 0 | 0 | -100,000 | 0 |
| Reduce grant to Opportunity Peterborough | 125,000 | 125,000 | 125,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Remove increase proposed by Councillor Seaton's amended budget for the implementation of a programme of events for Peterborough area | 0 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| | 1,376,000 | 1,024,000 | 1,149,000 | 1,156,000 | 1,256,000 |
| | | | | | |
| IN (new spending) | 040.000 | 040.000 | 040.000 | 0.40.000 | 040.000 |
| Leave school meals subsidy in place | 210,000 | 210,000 | 210,000 | 210,000 | 210,000 |
| Don't charge for bulky waste collection | 35,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 | 35,000 |
| Partially restore cuts in rural buses | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| Increase grants to Community Associations | 0 | 0 | 50,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| Tackle potholes and cracks in the roads | 615,000 | 253,850 | 319,471 | 291,858 | 382,004 |
| | 1,010,000 | 648,850 | 764,471 | 761,858 | 852,004 |
| Reduce Council tax increase from 2.5% to 1.9% in 2010-11 | 366,000 | 375,150 | 384,529 | 394,142 | 403,996 |
| | 1,376,000 | 1,024,000 | 1,149,000 | 1,156,000 | 1,256,000 |

Capital Budget Amendments:

| | 2010-11 |
|---|---------|
| | £ |
| OUT (savings) | |
| Neighbourhood Council base funding - slip by 1 year as | |
| structures not ready | 175,000 |
| Scrap Wifi for City Centre | 269,000 |
| | 444,000 |
| IN (new spending) | |
| Provide funds to regenerate older parts of the City - lighting, | |
| paving, etc | 444,000 |

COUNCIL MEETING 24 FEBRUARY 2010

Alternative Budget Proposal

Amendment to be moved by Councillor N Sandford

That the proposed budget as set out in the budget papers be amended as follows:

(1) Revenue Budget Amendments (note: no change to the overall council tax increase):

| | 2010/11 | 2011/12 | 2012/13 | 2013/14 | 2014/15 |
|---|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| Revenue programme | | | | | |
| Savings: | | | | | |
| Discontinue Your Peterborough Magazine | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 | 150,000 |
| Discontinue Community Leadership Fund | 240,000 | 240,000 | 240,000 | 240,000 | 240,000 |
| Reduce budgets for consultants/interim | | | | | |
| managers by replacement with directly employed | | | | | |
| posts | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 |
| Remove revenue provision for water taxis | 30,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Remove provision for City Centre Wi-Fi | 105,000 | 113,000 | 113,000 | 120,000 | 120,000 |
| Remove provision for revenue costs of Cathedral | | | | | |
| Square fountains and require Opportunity | | | | | |
| Peterborough to fund the ongoing costs of their | | | | | |
| project | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 | 15,000 |
| Reduction in members allowances budget to be | | | | | |
| funded by deletion of cabinet advisor and/or | | | | | |
| cabinet posts | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| | 815,000 | 793,000 | 793,000 | 800,000 | 800,000 |
| Increase in spending: | | | | | |
| Improved maintenance and replacement of | | | | | |
| street lights | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| Repair of pavements, footways and cycleways | 95,000 | 73,000 | 73,000 | 80,000 | 80,000 |
| Retain funding for litter bins | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 | 30,000 |
| Restore bus service subsidy budget | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| Retain subsidy for school meals | 210,000 | 210,000 | 210,000 | 210,000 | 210,000 |
| Increase winter maintenance budget | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 | 50,000 |
| Restore funding for public toilets | 85,000 | 85,000 | 85,000 | 85,000 | 85,000 |
| Tree and shrub planting and improvement of | | | | | |
| urban greenspace | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 | 20,000 |
| Reduce savings in adult social care | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 | 100,000 |
| Park and Ride (extension to cover more | | | | | |
| Saturdays) | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 | 25,000 |
| Additional contribution to PCT targeted at | | | | | |
| measures to reduce teenage pregnancy | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 | 75,000 |
| | 815,000 | 793,000 | 793,000 | 800,000 | 800,000 |

(2) Capital Budget Amendments:

| | 2010-11 |
|---|---------|
| | £ |
| OUT (savings) | |
| Delete provision for city centre Wifi | 269,000 |
| | 269,000 |
| IN (new spending) | |
| Reduce provision for capital receipts from sale of allotment land | 269,000 |

And

Review capital funding for the waste incinerator (energy from waste facility) with a view to replacing it with an MBT Anaerobic digestion facility and present a report to Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee on this subject at the earliest possible opportunity.

Appendix A - Council Tax Resolution

COUNCIL TAX 2010/11

Following consideration of the report to this Council on 24 February 2010 and the setting of the Revenue Budget for 2010/11, the Council is requested to pass the resolution below.

RESOLVED

- 1. THAT the Revenue Budget in the sum of £139,009,000 (being £257,122,000 less the Dedicated Schools Grant of £118,113,000) now presented be approved.
- 2. THAT it be noted that at its meeting on 14 December 2009 the Cabinet calculated the following amounts for the year 2010/11 in accordance with regulations made under Section 33(5) of the Local Government Finance Act 1992: -
 - (a) 55,395 being the amount calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 3 of the Local Authorities (Calculation of Council Tax Base) Regulations 1992, as its council tax base for the year.

| (b) | Part of the Council's Area | |
|-----|---|-----------|
| ` , | Ailsworth | 234.51 |
| | Bainton | 146.55 |
| | Barnack | 362.67 |
| | Borough Fen | 38.20 |
| | Bretton | 3,577.47 |
| | Castor | 340.74 |
| | City (non-parished) | 33,934.53 |
| | Etton | 51.90 |
| | Eye | 1,434.20 |
| | Glinton | 607.44 |
| | Hampton | 3,152.07 |
| | Helpston | 391.08 |
| | Marholm | 75.52 |
| | Maxey | 298.71 |
| | Newborough | 550.91 |
| | Northborough | 503.63 |
| | Orton Longueville | 3,439.54 |
| | Orton Waterville | 3,495.28 |
| | Peakirk | 176.89 |
| | Southorpe | 69.88 |
| | Sutton | 68.95 |
| | Thorney | 822.60 |
| | Thornhaugh | 97.74 |
| | Ufford | 123.95 |
| | Wansford | 240.86 |
| | Wittering | 750.99 |
| | SUB TOTAL | 54,986.81 |
| | The Council tax base total for areas to which no special items relate | 408.36 |
| | TOTAL | 55,395.17 |

being the amounts calculated by the Council, in accordance with regulation 6 of the Regulations, as the amounts of its council tax base for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

3. THAT the following amounts be now calculated by the Council for the year 2010/11 in accordance with Sections 32 to 36 of the Local Government and Finance Act 1992: -(a) £421,599,000 being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the items set out in Section 32(2)(a) to (e) of the Act. (Gross expenditure including Parish Precepts and Special Expenses) being the aggregate of the amounts which the Council estimates for the (b) (£282,590,000) items set out in Section 32(3) a) to c) of the Act. (Revenue Income) (c) £139,009,000 being the amount by which the aggregate at 3(a) above exceeds the aggregate at 3(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with section 32(4) of the act as its budget requirement for the year. (Peterborough City Council Net Budget Requirement including Parish Precepts) (d) £77,948,000 being the aggregate of the sums which the Council estimates will be payable for the year into its general fund in respect of redistributed nondomestic rates and revenue support grant increased by the amount of the sums which the Council estimates will be transferred in the year from its collection fund to its general fund in accordance with Section 97(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 (e) £1,102.28 being the amount at 3(c) above less the amount at 3(d) above, all divided by the amount at 2(a) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 33(1) of the Act, as the basic amount of its council tax for the year. (f) £363,543 being the aggregate amount of all special items referred to in Section 34(1) of the Act. (Parish Precepts) (g) £1,095.71 being the amount at 3(e) above less the result given by dividing the amount

item relates.

at 3(f) above by the amount at 2(a) above, calculated by the Council in accordance with section 34(2) of the Act, as the basic amount of its Council tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which no special

(h) Parts of Council's Area

| Parish Of: | Band D |
|--------------------|-----------|
| Ailsworth | £1,112.72 |
| Bainton | £1,119.56 |
| Barnack | £1,111.46 |
| Borough Fen | £1,111.10 |
| Bretton | £1,120.01 |
| Castor | £1,120.55 |
| Deeping Gate | £1,095.71 |
| Etton | £1,126.04 |
| Eye | £1,126.31 |
| Glinton | £1,108.94 |
| Hampton | £1,103.54 |
| Helpston | £1,116.41 |
| Marholm | £1,096.34 |
| Maxey | £1,098.50 |
| Newborough | £1,129.19 |
| Northborough | £1,117.49 |
| Orton Longueville | £1,103.63 |
| Orton Waterville | £1,099.13 |
| Peakirk | £1,127.30 |
| Southorpe | £1,100.66 |
| St Martins Without | £1,095.71 |
| Sutton | £1,121.18 |
| Thorney | £1,136.57 |
| Thornhaugh | £1,143.05 |
| Ufford | £1,127.93 |
| Upton | £1,095.71 |
| Wansford | £1,130.99 |
| Wittering | £1,148.00 |
| Wothorpe | £1,095.71 |

Being the amounts given by adding to the amount at 3(g) above the amounts of the special items relating to dwellings in those parts of the Council's area mentioned above divided in each case by the amount at 2(b) above, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 34(3) of the Act, as the basic amounts of its Council Tax for the year for dwellings in those parts of its area to which one or more special items relate.

3. (i) Part of the Council's Area

| | Valuation Bands | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|--------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Α | В | О | D | Ε | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Ailsworth | 741.81 | 865.45 | 989.08 | 1,112.72 | 1,359.99 | 1,607.26 | 1,854.53 | 2,225.44 |
| Bainton | 746.37 | 870.77 | 995.16 | | 1,368.35 | 1,617.14 | 1,865.93 | 2,239.12 |
| Barnack | 740.97 | 864.47 | 987.96 | 1,111.46 | 1,358.45 | 1,605.44 | 1,852.43 | 2,222.92 |
| Borough Fen | 740.73 | 864.19 | 987.64 | 1,111.10 | 1,358.01 | 1,604.92 | 1,851.83 | 2,222.20 |
| Bretton | 746.67 | 871.12 | 995.56 | 1,120.01 | 1,368.90 | 1,617.79 | 1,866.68 | 2,240.02 |
| Castor | 747.03 | 871.54 | 996.04 | 1,120.55 | 1,369.56 | 1,618.57 | 1,867.58 | 2,241.10 |
| Deeping Gate | 730.47 | 852.22 | 973.96 | 1,095.71 | 1,339.20 | 1,582.69 | 1,826.18 | 2,191.42 |
| Etton | 750.69 | 875.81 | 1,000.92 | 1,126.04 | 1,376.27 | 1,626.50 | 1,876.73 | 2,252.08 |
| Eye | 750.87 | 876.02 | 1,001.16 | 1,126.31 | 1,376.60 | 1,626.89 | 1,877.18 | 2,252.62 |
| Glinton | 739.29 | 862.51 | 985.72 | 1,108.94 | 1,355.37 | 1,601.80 | 1,848.23 | 2,217.88 |
| Hampton | 735.70 | 858.31 | 980.93 | 1,103.54 | 1,348.78 | 1,594.01 | 1,839.24 | 2,207.09 |
| Helpston | 744.27 | 868.32 | 992.36 | 1,116.41 | 1,364.50 | 1,612.59 | 1,860.68 | 2,232.82 |
| Marholm | 730.89 | 852.71 | 974.52 | 1,096.34 | 1,339.97 | 1,583.60 | 1,827.23 | 2,192.68 |
| Maxey | 732.33 | 854.39 | 976.44 | 1,098.50 | 1,342.61 | 1,586.72 | 1,830.83 | 2,197.00 |
| Newborough | 752.79 | 878.26 | 1,003.72 | 1,129.19 | 1,380.12 | 1,631.05 | 1,881.98 | 2,258.38 |
| Northborough | 744.99 | 869.16 | 993.32 | 1,117.49 | 1,365.82 | 1,614.15 | 1,862.48 | 2,234.98 |
| Orton Longueville | 735.75 | 858.38 | 981.00 | 1,103.63 | 1,348.88 | 1,594.13 | 1,839.38 | 2,207.26 |
| Orton Waterville | 732.75 | 854.88 | 977.00 | | 1,343.38 | 1,587.63 | 1,831.88 | 2,198.26 |
| Peakirk | 751.53 | 876.79 | 1,002.04 | 1,127.30 | 1,377.81 | 1,628.32 | 1,878.83 | 2,254.60 |
| Southorpe | 733.77 | 856.07 | 978.36 | | 1,345.25 | 1,589.84 | 1,834.43 | 2,201.32 |
| St Martins Without | 730.47 | 852.22 | 973.96 | 1,095.71 | 1,339.20 | 1,582.69 | 1,826.18 | 2,191.42 |
| Sutton | 747.45 | 872.03 | 996.60 | 1,121.18 | 1,370.33 | 1,619.48 | 1,868.63 | 2,242.36 |
| Thorney | 757.71 | 884.00 | 1,010.28 | 1,136.57 | 1,389.14 | 1,641.71 | 1,894.28 | 2,273.14 |
| Thornhaugh | 762.03 | 889.04 | 1,016.04 | | 1,397.06 | 1,651.07 | 1,905.08 | 2,286.10 |
| Ufford | 751.95 | 877.28 | 1,002.60 | | 1,378.58 | 1,629.23 | 1,879.88 | 2,255.86 |
| Upton | 730.47 | 852.22 | 973.96 | | 1,339.20 | 1,582.69 | 1,826.18 | 2,191.42 |
| Wansford | 753.99 | 879.66 | 1,005.32 | 1,130.99 | 1,382.32 | 1,633.65 | 1,884.98 | 2,261.98 |
| Wittering | 765.33 | 892.89 | 1,020.44 | 1,148.00 | 1,403.11 | 1,658.22 | 1,913.33 | 2,296.00 |
| Wothorpe | 730.47 | 852.22 | 973.96 | | 1,339.20 | 1,582.69 | 1,826.18 | 2,191.42 |
| Total Non-Parished Areas | 730.47 | 852.22 | 973.96 | 1,095.71 | 1,339.20 | 1,582.69 | 1,826.18 | 2,191.42 |

being the amounts given by multiplying the amounts at 3(g) and 3(h) above by the number which, in the proportion set out in Section 5(1) of the Act, is applicable to dwellings listed in a particular valuation band divided by the number which in that proportion is applicable to dwellings listed in valuation band D, calculated by the Council, in accordance with Section 36(1) of the Act, as the amounts to be taken into account for the year in respect of categories of dwellings listed in different valuation bands.

4. That it be noted that for the year 2010/11 the Cambridgeshire Police Authority and Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Fire Authority have stated the following amounts in the precept issued to the Council, in accordance with Section 40 of the Local Government Finance Act 1992, for each of the categories of dwellings shown below:-

| | | Valuation Bands | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------|
| | Α | В | С | D | Е | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Cambridgeshire Police Authority Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Fire Authority | 113.04 38.58 | | 150.72 51.44 | | 207.24 70.73 | 244.92 83.59 | 282.60 96.45 | |
| TOTAL | 151.62 | 176.89 | 202.16 | 227.43 | 277.97 | 328.51 | 379.05 | 454.86 |

| | Valuation Bands | | | | | | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| | Α | В | С | D | Е | F | G | Н |
| | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p | £.p |
| Ailsworth | 893.43 | 1,042.34 | 1,191.24 | 1,340.15 | 1,637.96 | 1,935.77 | 2,233.58 | 2,680.30 |
| Bainton | 897.99 | 1,047.66 | 1,197.32 | 1,346.99 | 1,646.32 | 1,945.65 | 2,244.98 | 2,693.98 |
| Barnack | 892.59 | 1,041.36 | 1,190.12 | 1,338.89 | 1,636.42 | 1,933.95 | 2,231.48 | 2,677.78 |
| Borough Fen | 892.35 | 1,041.08 | 1,189.80 | 1,338.53 | 1,635.98 | 1,933.43 | 2,230.88 | 2,677.06 |
| Bretton | 898.29 | 1,048.01 | 1,197.72 | 1,347.44 | 1,646.87 | 1,946.30 | 2,245.73 | 2,694.88 |
| Castor | 898.65 | 1,048.43 | 1,198.20 | 1,347.98 | 1,647.53 | 1,947.08 | 2,246.63 | 2,695.96 |
| Deeping Gate | 882.09 | 1,029.11 | 1,176.12 | 1,323.14 | 1,617.17 | 1,911.20 | 2,205.23 | 2,646.28 |
| Etton | 902.31 | 1,052.70 | 1,203.08 | 1,353.47 | 1,654.24 | 1,955.01 | 2,255.78 | 2,706.94 |
| Eye | 902.49 | 1,052.91 | 1,203.32 | 1,353.74 | 1,654.57 | 1,955.40 | 2,256.23 | 2,707.48 |
| Glinton | 890.91 | 1,039.40 | 1,187.88 | 1,336.37 | 1,633.34 | 1,930.31 | 2,227.28 | 2,672.74 |
| Hampton | 887.32 | 1,035.20 | 1,183.09 | 1,330.97 | 1,626.75 | 1,922.52 | 2,218.29 | 2,661.95 |
| Helpston | 895.89 | 1,045.21 | 1,194.52 | | 1,642.47 | 1,941.10 | 2,239.73 | 2,687.68 |
| Marholm | 882.51 | 1,029.60 | 1,176.68 | 1,323.77 | 1,617.94 | 1,912.11 | 2,206.28 | 2,647.54 |
| Maxey | 883.95 | 1,031.28 | 1,178.60 | 1,325.93 | 1,620.58 | 1,915.23 | 2,209.88 | 2,651.86 |
| Newborough | 904.41 | 1,055.15 | 1,205.88 | | 1,658.09 | 1,959.56 | 2,261.03 | 2,713.24 |
| Northborough | 896.61 | 1,046.05 | 1,195.48 | 1,344.92 | 1,643.79 | 1,942.66 | 2,241.53 | 2,689.84 |
| Orton Longueville | 887.37 | 1,035.27 | 1,183.16 | 1,331.06 | 1,626.85 | 1,922.64 | 2,218.43 | 2,662.12 |
| Orton Waterville | 884.37 | 1,031.77 | 1,179.16 | 1,326.56 | 1,621.35 | 1,916.14 | 2,210.93 | 2,653.12 |
| Peakirk | 903.15 | 1,053.68 | 1,204.20 | | 1,655.78 | 1,956.83 | 2,257.88 | 2,709.46 |
| Southorpe | 885.39 | 1,032.96 | 1,180.52 | 1,328.09 | 1,623.22 | 1,918.35 | 2,213.48 | 2,656.18 |
| St Martins Without | 882.09 | 1,029.11 | 1,176.12 | | 1,617.17 | 1,911.20 | 2,205.23 | 2,646.28 |
| Sutton | 899.07 | 1,048.92 | 1,198.76 | | 1,648.30 | 1,947.99 | 2,247.68 | 2,697.22 |
| Thorney | 909.33 | 1,060.89 | 1,212.44 | 1,364.00 | 1,667.11 | 1,970.22 | 2,273.33 | 2,728.00 |
| Thornhaugh | 913.65 | 1,065.93 | 1,218.20 | | 1,675.03 | 1,979.58 | 2,284.13 | 2,740.96 |
| Ufford | 903.57 | 1,054.17 | 1,204.76 | | 1,656.55 | 1,957.74 | 2,258.93 | 2,710.72 |
| Upton | 882.09 | 1,029.11 | 1,176.12 | | 1,617.17 | 1,911.20 | 2,205.23 | 2,646.28 |
| Wansford | 905.61 | 1,056.55 | 1,207.48 | | 1,660.29 | 1,962.16 | 2,264.03 | 2,716.84 |
| Wittering | 916.95 | 1,069.78 | 1,222.60 | | 1,681.08 | 1,986.73 | 2,292.38 | 2,750.86 |
| Wothorpe | 882.09 | 1,029.11 | 1,176.12 | - | 1,617.17 | 1,911.20 | 2,205.23 | 2,646.28 |
| Total Non-Parished Areas | 882.09 | 1,029.11 | 1,176.12 | 1,323.14 | 1,617.17 | 1,911.20 | 2,205.23 | 2,646.28 |

PARISH PRECEPTS 2010/11

The following precepts have been levied on Peterborough City Council (comparable figures are shown for 2009/10):-

| | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | 2010/11 Council Tax @ Band D Equivalent |
|--------------------|---------|---------|--|
| | 2009/10 | 2010/11 | Equivalent |
| | £ | £ | £ |
| Ailsworth | 6,355 | 4,004 | 17.01 |
| Bainton | 2,707 | 3,504 | 23.85 |
| Barnack | 5,792 | 5,721 | 15.75 |
| Borough Fen | 331 | 589 | 15.79 |
| Bretton | 88,142 | 87,145 | 24.30 |
| Castor | 8,477 | 8,484 | 24.84 |
| Deeping Gate | - | - | 24.04 |
| Etton | 1,608 | 1,576 | 30.33 |
| Eye | 44,764 | 43,933 | 30.60 |
| Glinton | 5,041 | 8,068 | 13.23 |
| Hampton | 5,041 | 24,788 | 7.83 |
| Helpston | 8,358 | 8,114 | 20.70 |
| Marholm | 40 | 50 | 0.63 |
| Maxey | 850 | 850 | 2.79 |
| Newborough | 4,571 | 18,464 | 33.48 |
| Northborough | 3,835 | 10,978 | 21.78 |
| Orton Longueville | 29,101 | 27,499 | 7.92 |
| Orton Waterville | 12,000 | 12,000 | 3.42 |
| Peakirk | 4,803 | 5,596 | 31.59 |
| Southorpe | 398 | 350 | 4.95 |
| St Martins Without | - | | - |
| Sutton | 1,735 | 1,758 | 25.47 |
| Thorney | 30,644 | 33,647 | 40.86 |
| Thornhaugh | 4,667 | 4,633 | 47.34 |
| Ufford | 4,059 | 3,999 | 32.22 |
| Upton | - | - | - |
| Wansford | 7,300 | 8,500 | 35.28 |
| Wittering | 34,752 | 39,294 | 52.29 |
| Wothorpe | - | - | - |
| Total | 310,330 | 363,543 | |

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| COUNCIL | AGENDA ITEM No. 4(i) |
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| 14 APRIL 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT: FOR INFORMATION

This report is a brief summary of the Mayor's activities on the Council's behalf during the last meetings cycle, together with relevant matters for information. (Events marked with * denotes events attended by the Deputy Mayor on the Mayor's behalf).

2. ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION – From 21 February 2010 to 2 April 2010

2.1 Civic Events

2.2 <u>Visitors to the Mayor's Parlour</u>

- Hosted Charity Committee meeting on 23 February
- Hosted Holocaust Memorial Day Planning meeting on 23 February
- Hosted Foster Carer Awards on 25 February
- Hosted meeting to discuss the War Memorial and Holocaust Memorial on 3 March
- Hosted meeting to discuss Vinittsa/Chernobyl on 3 March
- Hosted meeting to discuss Veterans' Event on 15 March
- Hosted Royal Artillery annual inspection of silver on 16 March
- Pupils from Heritage Park School visited parlour and council chamber on 23 March
- Hosted Charity Committee meeting on 23 March
- Hosted meeting to discuss the War Memorial on 29 March

2.3 Charity Events

- Attended historical slide show in aid of Mayor's Charities in the Reception Room on 10 March
- Hosted mayor's charity ball in the Town Hall on 12 March

2.4 Council and Other Events

- Attended Citizenship Ceremony in the council chamber on 23 February
- Attended Full Council Meeting in the council chamber on 24 February
- Attended Peterborough Ambassador's Dinner at the East of England Showground on 26 February
- Opened Peterborough Photographic Society Annual Exhibition at the Museum on 26 February *
- Attended Ahamdiyya Muslim Association meeting at Gladstone Park Community Recreation Centre on 28 February
- Attended Mayor of Ramsey's Charity Indian Banquet, Taste of the East, 61 High St, Ramsey on 1 March
- Attended Photo opportunity for launch of Great Eastern Run 2010 on Town Hall steps on 2 March
- Attended Citizenship Ceremony in the council chamber on 2 March *

- Presented cheque to Sue Ryder Care from Metcalfe, Copeman and Pettefar staff at their Priestgate office on 3 March
- Attended Peterborough Youth MP Elections 2010 at the Town Hall on 3 March*
- Attended Reception and Briefing by Army Presentation Team at KingsGate, Staplee Way, Parnwell
- on 3 March
- Attended Peterborough Libraries Inter School Book Quiz final at the John Clare Theatre, Central Library on 4 March
- Attended Official opening of University Centre, Peterborough, Park Crescent March on 4 March
- Attended Open Playbuilder Project at Gladstone Park on 5 March
- Presented prizes at Peterborough Model Club annual exhibition at the Town Hall on 6 March
- Attended Spencers Charity Ball at the East of England Showground on 6 March
- Attended Peterborough City Council Long Service at the Orton Hall Hotel on 8 March
- Attended Inner Wheel 7th Charter Anniversary Tea, Holiday Inn, Thorpe Wood on 9 March
- Attended Photo-shoot for Australian charity cycle ride at the Rail Freight Depot on 10 March
- Attended Cambs & Peterborough Outward Bound Assoc agm at the Town Hall on 10 March
- Visited Visit to Peterborough Prison on 11 March
- Attended Lunch with the Peterborough Has Talent Team and Gillian Beasley on 11 March
- Attended High Sheriff's Awards at Abbots Ripton Village Hall on 11 March *
- Attended Malcolm Sargent choral concert, Peterborough Cathedral on 13 March
- Attended Peterborough Veterans Association meeting at Newark Hotel on 15 March
- Attended Launch of Festival of Festivals Calendar of Events 2101 at the Jack Hunt School on 16 Attended Peterborough Cathedral Development & Presentation Trust at The Deanery on 18 March
- Attended Opening of Women's Enterprise Centre in Bridge Street on 19 March
- Attended Mayor of Market Deeping's civic dinner at the Towngate Inn, Market Deeping on 20 March *
- Attended Peterborough Music Festival final concert at the Town Hall on 20 March
- Attended Kingsgate Community Church Easter Service at Staplee Way, Parnwell on 21 March
- Attended Citizenship Ceremony in the council chamber on 23 March
- Attended *Oklahoma* by Peterborough Operatic and Dramatic Society at the Key Theatre on 23 Attended Peterborough Cathedral Chapter Supper at The Deanery on 24 March
- Attended Official opening of The Pavilions Extra Care scheme in Alma Road on 25 March
- Attended Peterborough Young Singers Shodo workshop, Becket's Chapel, Cathedral Precincts on 25 March
- Attended Peterborough Lions 40th Charter anniversary dinner dance at Holiday Inn, Thorpe Wood on 27 March
- Attended City of Peterborough Symphony Orchestra Spring concert at the Voyager School on 28 March
- Attended Rotary Club meeting at the Holiday Inn on 30 March
- Attended Fit For Success Information Day at ASBAH on 31 March

3. BACK GROUND DOCUMENTS (IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT 1985)

None.

4. DIRECTOR RESPONSIBLE

Chief Executive.

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| 14 APRIL 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

EXECUTIVE REPORT – FOR INFORMATION RECORD OF EXECUTIVE DECISIONS

1. <u>DECISIONS FROM CABINET MEETING HELD 23 FEBRUARY 2010</u>

BUS SERVICE REVIEW

The decision made by Cabinet at its meeting of 8 February 2010 relating to the Bus Service Review had been the subject of a request for call-in. The Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee met to consider the request on 23 February 2010, and agreed to refer the decision back to Cabinet for reconsideration because of an error in the original decision relating to the changes to the timetable of the 406 bus service. Cabinet therefore met on 23 February 2010 to reconsider the decision.

CABINET **RESOLVED** TO:

Agree to cease on the 406 bus service all journeys after 18.13, with replacement available within walking distance on Citi 2. In addition, other minor journey withdrawals, with replacement available within walking distance on Citi 2.

2. <u>DECISIONS FROM CABINET MEETING HELD 22 MARCH 2010</u>

FUTURE DELIVERY OF CULTURE AND LEISURE SERVICES

At its meeting of 12 October 2009, Cabinet had determined that services to be considered for transfer into a culture and leisure trust should be: Arts Services, Museum Services, Library Services and Sports Services and had authorised the Director of Operations to commence the process of establishing a not-for-profit distributing organisation (a 'Trust') for the delivery of cultural services, subject to appropriate consultation with staff and the agreement of a detailed Business Plan.

Cabinet has considered whether or not to transfer the delivery of cultural and leisure services to Peterborough Cultural and Leisure Trust Limited (PCLT) Ltd., together with the transfer of staff, assets and facilities currently used to deliver such services. Cabinet has received the Business Plan, which set out the purpose and objectives of the Trust.

Members have noted that the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee, in endorsing the creation of a Culture and Leisure Trust at its meeting of 18 March 2009, had asked that the following points be taken into consideration by Cabinet:

- (i) that the Trust should engage with representatives of all communities across the Authority in order to ensure that their interests were represented in the delivery of culture and leisure activities across the city;
- (ii) that a close working relationship with the City Council would be maintained; and
- (iii) that the Trust should report back to Scrutiny after a period of nine months from the date of its formation in order to advise on progress, including financial implications.

CABINET **RESOLVED** TO:

- 1. Approve the transfer on behalf of the Council, to Peterborough Cultural & Leisure Trust Ltd (PCLT) of the services (existing and future) that fall within the scope of:
 - Arts Services (to include the Key Theatre and Art Gallery)
 - Heritage Services (to include Peterborough Museum),
 - Library Services (all services)
 - Sports Services (all services),
- 2. Delegate to the Executive Director of Strategic Resources the authority to enter into any agreements necessary to make the transfer of services under recommendation 1 effective.
- 3. Delegate authority to the Executive Director of Strategic Resources to agree a 25 year Funding & Management Agreement that will incorporate a five year indicative funding package that will be binding at the level agreed for the first year, but indicative only in subsequent years.
- 4. That the Employment Committee be asked to consider the transfer of staff engaged by the Council on the services to be transferred under recommendation 1 to Peterborough Cultural & Leisure Trust Ltd on a date anticipated to be 1st May 2010, subject to the completion of the PCLT Mobilisation Plan.
- 5. To support the application by the Peterborough Cultural & Leisure Trust Ltd for Admitted Body Status to the Cambridgeshire County Council pension fund and to the Council acting as guarantor in this agreement.
- 6. That in determining the above recommendations Cabinet has regard to the comments of the Strong and Supportive Communities Panel.

3. DECISIONS FROM CABINET MEETING HELD 29 MARCH 2010

PETERBOROUGH LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FRAMEWORK – PETERBOROUGH DISTRICT HOSPITAL SITE DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT

Cabinet has considered the publication of the Peterborough District Hospital Site Draft Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) for public consideration.

The draft Hospital Site SPD set out the Council's ambition to see a mixed-use development incorporating residential, community, local retail and ancillary uses on the Peterborough District Hospital site. This would help to meet one of the key priorities of the Sustainable Communities Strategy to deliver substantial and truly sustainable growth. Any future redevelopment of the area was intended to be outstanding in urban design terms, meeting the emerging sustainability agenda as set in both national and local planning policy. All District Hospital functions would be relocated to the new Peterborough City Hospital on the Edith Cavell site by the end of 2011 and consequently, the SPD had been produced to assist in bringing the area forward for comprehensive redevelopment and reduce the risk of the gradual degradation of the site.

Following public consultation, representations will be considered and a statement prepared setting out a summary of the main issues raised and how such issues will be addressed in the final document which will be considered for adoption by Cabinet (likely to be June 2010).

CABINET RESOLVED TO:

(i) Approve the publication of the Peterborough District Hospital Site Supplementary Planning Document (draft), together with the associated supporting documents, for four week public consultation starting in April 2010.

OPPORTUNITY PETERBOROUGH BUSINESS PLAN

Cabinet has received the draft Opportunity Peterborough Business Plan which covers the period April 2010 to March 2013. As a major funder, supporter and Member of the Board of Opportunity Peterborough, the Council must be satisfied that the draft business plan will deliver the objectives agreed. Cabinet has noted that the role of Opportunity Peterborough has evolved from its initial focus on purely spatial growth and regeneration, to that of driving forward clear initiatives for sustainable economic development. Delivery over the next twelve months will be across the following four key themes:

- Economic Development
- City Marketing
- City Vibrancy
- Physical Growth.

Opportunity Peterborough, like most other regeneration organisations, has seen a challenging 2009/10 as it endeavours to bring forward key growth projects for delivery in the face of a deepening global economic recession. During the past year Opportunity Peterborough and the Council have worked together to develop a revised approach to growth delivery for Peterborough: an approach which is being implemented following approval by both the Opportunity Peterborough Board and Cabinet in late 2009.

This re-focus ensures Opportunity Peterborough's operations lead the delivery of economic growth and regeneration and are reflected in the new statement of purpose:

'Opportunity Peterborough will lead the delivery of a step change in the economic performance of Peterborough and underpin the city's sustainable growth and regeneration'. The strategic objectives to deliver this have been identified as follows:

- To improve the performance of Peterborough's businesses and encourage innovation and enterprise;
- To support and promote the city's learning and skills and raise aspirations to underpin the future needs of Peterborough's economy;
- To make Peterborough an exemplar low carbon economy, to achieve its ambition to become the UK Environment Capital;
- To support the sustainable and integrated growth of Peterborough for the benefit of all its citizens;
- To maximise the regional, national and international profile of Peterborough.

CABINET RESOLVED TO:

- (i) Endorse the 2010-2013 draft Business Plan for Opportunity Peterborough, and:
- (ii) Note that the agreement of funding specific projects within the plan, if required, will be subject to the Council's normal decision making process.

14-19 LEARNING REFORM STRATEGY AND TRANSFER OF 16-18 LEARNING RESPONSIBILITIES FROM THE LEARNING SKILLS COUNCIL TO THE COUNCIL

Cabinet has received a report for information on the final stage of the transition and transfer of responsibilities for 16-19 education from the Learning and Skills Council to the local authority – known nationally as Machinery of Government Changes (MOG). This transfer is designed to give local authorities responsibility for all learning and training for children and young people aged 0-19 (and up to age 25 for learners with special needs) in their areas and to make them fully accountable to the DCSF for planning and delivering the Government's 14-19 Reforms from 2013 onwards.

Cabinet has further noted the progress to date in the transfer of responsibilities for 16-18 learning and the opportunities and challenges which will emerge from 16-18 commissioning in delivering the Government's 14-19 Learning Reforms.

CABINET RESOLVED TO:

Note the final stage of the transition and transfer of responsibilities for 16-19 education from the LSC to the Local Authority: known nationally as Machinery of Government Changes (MOG).

PERFORMANCE MONITORING REPORT - QUARTER 3

Cabinet has noted the latest Performance Monitoring report summarising the Council's performance against the targets and indicators in the Local Area Agreement (LAA) for the third quarter covering the period October to December 2009.

4. CALL-IN BY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE OR COMMISSION

Since the last report to Council, the call-in mechanism has been invoked in respect of the following decisions:

Bus Service Review – Decision taken by Cabinet on 8 February 2010 Reference FEB10/CAB022

As outlined in paragraph 1 of this report, call-in was requested due to an error in the decision relating to changes to the timetable of the 406 bus service. The Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee met on 23 February 2010 and agreed to refer the decision back to Cabinet. Following reconsideration, Cabinet agreed to cease on the 406 bus service all journeys after 18.13 hours, with replacement available within walking distance on Citi 2. In addition, other minor journey withdrawals, with replacement available within walking distance on Citi 2.

Disposal of the former Lady Lodge Arts Centre Site – Decision taken by the Cabinet Member for Resources on 16 March 2010 Reference MAR10/CMDN031

The request for call-in was to ask the Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee to refer the decision back to the decision taker for reconsideration as the decision did not follow the principles of good decision-making set out in Article 12 of the Council's Constitution, specifically that the decision taker did not act for a proper purpose and in the interests of the public.

The Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee discussed the call in request at its meeting of 31 March 2010 and following consideration, did not agree to call-in the decision. Details of the decision are contained in paragraph 6 below.

Nene Park Trust: Appointment of Council Representative – Decision taken by the Leader on 16 March 2010 Reference MAR10/CMDN/032

The request for call-in was to ask the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee to refer the decision back to the decision taker for reconsideration as the decision did not follow the principles of good decision-making set out in Article 12 of the Council's Constitution, specifically that the decision taker did not realistically consider all alternatives and follow correct procedure.

Details of this decision are outlined in paragraph 6 below. The Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee will meet on 6 April 2010 and its decision in respect of call-in will be included in the next Executive report to Council.

5. SPECIAL URGENCY AND WAIVE OF CALL-IN PROVISIONS

Scrutiny Procedure Rule 13.1 and Executive Procedure Rule 7 require any instances where the Council's special urgency provisions have been invoked, and/or the call-in mechanism was not applied, to be reported to the next available meeting of the Council, together with reasons for urgency.

Since the last report to Council special urgency provisions have been invoked in respect of the following decisions:

Special Urgency

Adult Drug Treatment Plan 2010/11 - Reference MAR10/CMDN/030

The Chairman of the Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee Call-in agreed to the Council's special urgency procedure being invoked (which waives the five day consideration period) in respect of the above decision in order to ensure the Plan could be submitted to the National Treatment Agency for Substance Misuse by 19 March 2010 in order to secure funding for the next financial year. Failure to submit the plan on time may have adversely affected funding allocated to Peterborough. Details of the decision are outlined in paragraph 6 below.

Waive of Call-In

Voyager School: Proposal to acquire a Trust (The Voyager Learning Co-operative Trust) - Reference MAR10/CMDN/028

The Chairman of the Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee Call-in agreed to waive call-in in respect of the above decision as any delay would prejudice the school which was seeking to gain trust status with effect from 1 April 2010. Details of the decision are outlined in paragraph 6 below:

6. CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

| CABINET MEMBER AND DATE OF DECISION | REFERENCE | DECISION TAKEN |
|--|----------------|---|
| 18 February 2010 Councillor Seaton and Councillor Holdich | FEB10/CMDN/019 | Building Schools for the Future (BSF) Programme: BSF Approvals To authorise the: (i) Approval and submission of the Local Authority BSF Strategy for Change; (ii) Approval and submission of the BSF Outline Business Case(s) to Partnerships for Schools and Department for Children, Schools and Families (DCSF); (iii) Submission of the final business case(s) to Partnerships for Schools and the DCSF; (iv) Award of Contract (Orton Longueville Schools and Stanground College) – Design and build lump sum batch option contract; (v) Appointment of BSF Advisors; (vi) All weather pitch at Orton Longueville School; (vii) Stanground College Expansion; (viii) Communications strategy for lifetime of the BSF programme. |
| 18 February 2010 Councillor Seaton and Councillor Holdich | FEB10/CMDN/020 | Building Schools for the Future (BSF) Programme: ICT Managed Service To authorise the: (i) Approval of the preferred ICT managed services procurement option; (ii) Approval and publication of the preliminary invitation to tender for BSF ICT managed service provider; (iii) Evaluation of preliminary invitation to tender for BSF ICT managed service provider responses and interviews held with bidders to form a shortlist; (iv) Approval of the ICT managed services shortlist; (v) Approval and issue of invitation to tender for the BSF ICT managed service provider; (vi) Evaluation of tender to BSF ICT managed service provider submissions; (vii) Approval of the preferred bidder for the BSF ICT managed service provider; |

| | | (viii) Award of contract (ICT Managed Service) |
|---|----------------|--|
| 22 February 2010 Councillor Lee | FEB10/CMDN/021 | Extension of Organic Waste Composting Contract (Garden Waste) |
| | | To approve the extension of the current contract for organic waste composting with Organic Recycling Limited for one year from 19 June 2010 to 18 June 2011. |
| 26 February 2010 Councillor Croft | MAR10/CMDN023 | Carbon Challenge – Option Agreement and Collaboration Agreement |
| and Councillor Seaton | | To authorise the Chief Executive, in consultation with the Executive Director – Strategic Resources, Head of Legal Services and Head of Strategic Property to agree the final wording and enter into: |
| | | (i) an Option Agreement with the developer of the Carbon Challenge Site; (ii) a Collaboration Agreement with the public sector partners for Peterborough City Carbon Challenge. |
| 1 March 2010 Councillor Holdich | MAR10/CMDN/024 | Appointment of LEA Governor – Eyrescroft Primary School: |
| | | To appoint Mrs D Metcalf (changing from parent governor to LEA nominated by the governing body). |
| 8 March 2010 Councillor Cereste | MAR10/CMDN/027 | Local Area Agreement (LAA) 2008/11 Refresh 2010 |
| Gereste | | To approve the updated LAA refresh 2010 (in accordance with the delegated authority agreed at Council on 9 April 2008) and delegate authority to the Chief Executive to make minor alterations to the LAA refresh. |
| 8 March 2010 Councillor Holdich | MAR10/CMDN/028 | Voyager School – Proposal to acquire a Trust: The Voyager Learning Co-operative Trust |
| | | To authorise an application for the Voyager School to become a Trust: The Voyager Learning Co-operative Trust. |

| 12 March 2010 Councillor Hiller | MAR10/CMDN/029 | Local Transport Plan Capital Programme 2010/11 To approve each proposed sub programme of |
|--|--------------------|--|
| | | the 2010/11 Local Transport Plan (LTP) Capital Programme of Works as follows: |
| | | (i) Integrated Transport Capital Programme; (ii) Highways Maintenance Programme; (iii) Street Lighting Maintenance Programme; (iv) Bridge Maintenance Programme. |
| 15 March 2010 Councillor | MAR10/CMDN/030 | Adult Drug Treatment Plan 2010/11 |
| Hiller and Councillor Lamb | | To approve the final version of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Adult Drug Treatment Plan 2010/11. |
| 16 March 2010 Councillor Seaton | MAR10/CMDN/031 | Disposal of former Lady Lodge Arts Centre Site, Orton Goldhay |
| | | To authorise the Chief Executive (in consultation with the Head of Strategic Property) Cabinet Member for Efficiency and Resources (in liaison with the Leader) to negotiate and conclude terms for the disposal of this asset by private treaty for the development of the site as a care home. |
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| 19 March 2010 Councillor Cereste | MAR10/CMDN/032 | Nene Park Trust – Appointment of Council Representative |
| | | To appoint Councillor S Dalton to represent the City Council on the Nene Park Trust. |
| 19 March 2010 Councillor Holdich | MAR10/CMDN033 | Appointment of LEA Governor to the Beeches Primary School |
| | | To appoint Mr J Mohammed, nominated by the Governing Body. |
| 22 March 2010 Councillor Croft | MAR10/CMDN/034 | Affordable Housing Fund Allocation for Stanground South Phases 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H & 3I |
| | | To approve an allocation of £3,204,000 from the Affordable Housing Fund representing a one-off payment to Cross Keys Homes following receipt of a bid for the provision of 80 affordable units. |
| 22 March 2010 Councillor Holdich | MAR10/CMDN/036 | Award of Contract – Nene Valley Primary School |
| | | To authorise the award of a contract for the extension of Nene Valley Primary School to provide two additional classrooms and associated facilities. |

| COUNCIL | AGENDA ITEM No. 7(i) |
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| 14 APRIL 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

EXECUTIVE REPORT - RECOMMENDATIONS

1. CARBON MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN (CMAP)

Cabinet, at its meeting of 29 March 2010, was asked to review the Carbon Management Action Plan (CMAP). The CMAP represents the outcome of a ten month programme of work that the City Council has undertaken as part of the Carbon Trust's Local Authority Carbon Management programme. Whilst the Council has undertaken various one-off initiatives previously which have had a positive effect on the organisation's overall carbon emissions, this programme ensures initiatives are undertaken in a planned and measured way in order to comply with various schemes the organisation has a legal duty to comply with.

The plan formally commits the Council to achieving a stretching, yet realistic target to reduce carbon emissions by 35% of 2008/9 levels by 2014 and formalises the Council's commitment to lead by example and create the UK's Environment Capital. Two versions of the CMAP have been produced. One is the full CMAP which is a working document and the second is a concise CMAP: which will be available internally and externally via the City Council's website.

Cabinet has endorsed the Plan, prior to its submission to full Council. The Cabinet report, together with a copy of the concise CMAP is attached at **Appendix A**.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council approves the CMAP whilst committing to support the continuation of the Carbon Management Programme Board and the Carbon Management Team

2. SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP PLAN

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (revised by the Police and Justice Act 2006), requires that the three year partnership plan published by the Community Safety Partnership, be reviewed and updated annually. Cabinet received the refreshed version of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2010-2011 at its meeting of 29 march 2010. The priorities within the Plan are agreed following a strategic assessment which considers the performance in the previous twelve months and takes into account the concerns of the public. A summary document will be published in order to ensure that the priorities and improvement targets contained within the plan can be clearly understood.

Cabinet has endorsed the Plan, prior to its submission to full Council. A copy of the report to Cabinet, together with a copy of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan, is attached at **Appendix B**.

IT IS RECOMMENDED that Council approves the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan.

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| Cabinet | AGENDA ITEM No. 5.1 |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 29 March 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

| Cabinet Member(s) | responsible: | Cllr Matthew Lee Cabinet Member for Envi Culture | ironment Capital and |
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| | | Cllr Sam Dalton Cabinet Advisor for Enviro Culture | onment Capital and |
| Contact Officer(s): | Paul Phillipson – Executive Director of Operations Charlotte Palmer – Climate Change Team Manager | | Tel. 01733 453455 01733 453538 |

CARBON MANAGEMENT ACTION PLAN (CMAP)

| RECOMMENDATIONS | | |
|--|---|--|
| FROM: Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee | Deadline date : The CMAP is due to | |
| | go to Full Council on 14/04/2010 | |
| | | |

The Carbon Management Action Plan (CMAP) formally commits Peterborough City Council to achieve a stretching, yet realistic target to reduce carbon emissions by 35% of 2008/09 levels by 2014. The action plan requires significant commitment and investment, this will be achieved through invest to save mechanisms and external funding initiatives where possible. This CMAP formalises the authority's commitment to lead by example and create the UK's Environment Capital.

In order to adopt the CMAP Cabinet is asked to:

Approve the document whilst committing to support the continuation of the Carbon Management Programme Board and the Carbon Management Team.

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

This report is submitted to Cabinet following approval from the Corporate Management Team, Group leaders and the Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee (15 February 2010).

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

The purpose of this report is to enable Cabinet to review the CMAP. The CMAP is the outcome of a ten month programme of work that Peterborough City Council (PCC) has undertaken as part of the Carbon Trust's Local Authority Carbon Management (LACM) programme. Whilst PCC has undertaken various one-off initiatives previously which have had a positive effect on the organisation's overall carbon emissions, this programme of work ensures initiatives are undertaken in a planned and measured way in order to comply with various schemes the organisation has a legal duty to comply with.

Two versions of the CMAP have been produced;

- Full CMAP, this will be a working document available upon request
- Concise CMAP which will be available internally and externally via the City Council's website – Appendix A

Two documents have been produced in order to ensure this information is as accessible as possible.

The CMAP details PCC's carbon management strategy, baseline emissions, reduction target, outline reduction projects, financing options, embedding actions and programme management. This CMAP has been produced by the Climate Change Team with support and guidance from the Carbon Trust and PCC's Carbon Management Programme Board chaired by the Executive Director of Operations. The CMAP formally commits PCC to achieve a carbon emissions reduction of 35% of 2008/09 levels by 2014 and supports the city's aspiration to become the UK's Environment Capital, demonstrating leadership in the field. In addition, this work creates efficiencies within the organisation and reduces PCC's long term exposure to risk. The CMAP is due to go before Full Council in April 2010.

All projects outlined in the CMAP are indicative at this stage and will be subject to the standard project approval within PCC. Projects will be undertaken by the relevant service area, overseen by the Climate Change Team and will be accountable to the Programme Board.

This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.3 'to take a leading role in promoting the economic, environmental and social well being of the area'.

3. TIMESCALE

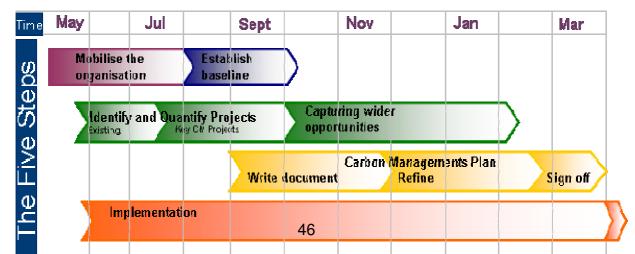
| Is this a Major Policy Item/Statutory Plan? | YES | If Yes, date for relevant Cabinet Meeting | 29 March 2010 |
|---|------------------|---|---|
| Date for relevant Council meeting | 14 April 2010 | Date for submission to Government Dept (please specify which Government Dept) | N/A – completed as part of the Carbon Trust LACM programme |

4. BACKGROUND

PCC embarked upon phase seven of the Carbon Trust's Local Authority Carbon Management Programme in 2009. The programme is designed to support the authority in establishing a robust baseline of carbon emissions and produce a carbon management plan to support the authority's aim to reduce emissions by up to 35% of 2008/09 levels over five years.

This work is required to comply with the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) and National Indicators 185 and 186, the governments' delivery mechanism for achieving targets set within the Climate Change Act. This work will have significant and wide reaching impacts upon the organisation. Corporate Carbon Management focuses specifically upon identifying, recording, monitoring and reducing carbon emissions across PCC and its operations.

In order to drive the programme forward, two working groups were established: the Programme Board chaired by the Executive Director of Operations, Paul Phillipson, and the Carbon Management Team chaired by the Climate Change Team Manager, Charlotte Palmer. Please see Appendix B for a list of the members of both groups. Throughout the programme both groups have fed in to and directed the process through the following stages:



Baseline carbon emissions data for the 2008/09 financial year have been collated in line with the requirements of NI185, avoiding duplication of effort. The following data forms the baseline emissions for the authority.

Total KWh of energy used within all properties **owned** by PCC and used to deliver a service on our behalf, including schools

Total KWh of energy used within all properties operated by PCC in order to deliver a service, including schools (**leased** in, i.e. Manor Drive)

Total KWh of energy used to provide all forms of **Street Lighting** within the remit of Peterborough City Council

Total KWh of energy used by all **outsourced service** providers that deliver a service on behalf of Peterborough City Council

Total volume of fuel or distance travelled by all **outsourced service** providers that deliver a service on behalf of Peterborough City Council

Total volume of fuel or distance travelled by all **fleet** vehicles

Total volume of fuel or distance travelled by all employees in order to carry out their role including car, train and aeroplane

Total volume of fuel or distance travelled by all vehicles providing a service on behalf of Peterborough City Council including **school transport** and **Community Link** services

The CMAP details the results of the collation of baseline emissions and further details how the reduction targets will be achieved.

4.2 LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

This area of work relates directly to the Sustainable Communities Strategy, specifically the priority to create the UK's Environment Capital and deliver substantial and truly sustainable growth. This area of work, whilst governed within the National Indicator set, allows PCC to get its own house in order. PCC will be in a suitable position to lead action with local partners and residents, ensuring the city is suitably placed to deal with the inevitable consequences that climate change will bring.

The National Indicator that relates specifically to PCC's carbon emissions, NI185, is not included within the LAA because it was felt that the indicator was too specific to one organisation and therefore not ideal for a partnership document. NI 186, per capita reduction in CO₂ emissions, is included.

In addition, this work significantly contributes to PCC's preparation for the Carbon Reduction scheme, ensuring the organisation is suitably placed to achieve the ongoing reductions required.

5. CONSULTATION

The CMAP has been produced by the Climate Change Team alongside the Programme Board and the Carbon Management Team. Both meetings are also attended by the Cabinet Advisor for Environment Capital and Culture, Cllr Samantha Dalton. The concise version of the CMAP (appendix A) will be made available on the Council's internal and external website, we will also undertake promotional work to raise awareness of the programme and recruit a team of volunteer Green Champions to drive forward awareness at officer level. The CMAP is progressing through the democratic approval process as follows:

| Group | Date |
|--|------------------|
| CMT | 9 February 2010 |
| Group Leaders | 22 February 2010 |
| Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee | 15 February 2010 |
| Cabinet | 29 March 2010 |
| Full Council | 14 April 2010 |

6. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

This CMAP formalises the authority's commitment to lead by example and create the UK's Environment Capital. In order to adopt the CMAP Cabinet is asked to approve the document, whilst committing to support the continuation of the Carbon Management Programme Board the Carbon Management Team and Climate Change Team in its respective efforts to achieve the 35% reduction target.

7. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

This work is required to comply with the Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) and National Indicators 185 and 186, the governments' delivery mechanism for achieving targets set within the Climate Change Act. The CMAP is also the final stage of the 10 month programme of work undertaken with the Carbon Trust and signifies successful completion of the programme.

8. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

8.1 COMPLY WITH TARGETS AS LAID OUT IN THE CLIMATE CHANGE ACT

Prior to embarking upon the Carbon Trust programme the Climate Change Team considered the possibility of devising a programme of work to achieve the carbon reduction targets as laid out in the climate change act. It was felt however that early action to achieve these targets, ahead of the national framework, would allow Peterborough to lead by example, demonstrating commitment to our Environment Capital aspirations and also allow PCC to benefit early from the efficiencies carbon reduction will achieve.

8.2 'BUSINESS AS USUAL' SCENARIO

Section 3 'Emissions baseline and projection' of appendix A provides details the 'business as usual' scenario and value at stake of not undertaking this programme of work.

9. IMPLICATIONS

This document will have the following implications:

- **Financial** value at stake predictions show that failure to achieve the emissions reduction target will amount to costs of £10m and 41,341 tonnes of carbon dioxide by 2014. In addition, with the introduction of the Carbon Reduction Commitment Energy Efficiency Scheme in 2011, PCC's current level of energy consumption could cost a further £360,000 per annum.
- **Legal** this CMAP and the actions arising from it ensures PCC is suitable placed to comply with the requirements laid out in the Climate Change Act. In addition this also supports PCC's participation in the CRC.
- Human Resources the programme aims to embed a cultural change at the heart
 of PCC operations, ensuring environmental impact is considered in all of the
 decisions made and responsibility is recognised at officer level.
- **Property** in order to achieve the reductions laid out in the CMAP significant works will be required across PCC's estate to increase energy efficiency. These will be

dealt with as individual projects and will follow the full project procedure operating within PCC.

• **Environmental** – by implementing the actions associated with this plan we will limit the organisation's environmental impact, leading by example.

This CMAP has been produced in conjunction with the relevant officers from across the organisation.

10. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

N/A

11. APPENDIX

Appendix A – Concise Peterborough City Council Carbon Management Action Plan condensed version

Appendix B – Programme Board and Carbon Management Team members

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APPENDIX A

Peterborough City Council Carbon Management Action Plan

Date: 27 January 2010

Version number: 3.0

Owner: Charlotte Palmer

Approval route: Full Council, April 2010

Approval status: Not yet approved



Foreword from Gillian Beasley and Cllr Matthew Lee

Peterborough City Council are committed to taking proactive action to make Peterborough more sustainable now and in the future, whilst adapting to the challenges climate change will bring. We acknowledge that:

- There is scientific consensus and evidence that climate change is happening
- Climate change will have significant and far reaching effects upon our residents, businesses and biodiversity
- The future cost of inaction on climate change will be far higher than the cost of taking action to tackle climate change now
- We are responsible for limiting our carbon emissions and preparing to adapt to the unavoidable effects of climate change
- Addressing climate change is critical to the success of achieving our four strategic priorities

We acknowledge the impact of the carbon emissions we generate through provision of our services, and commit to reducing them by 35 per cent of 2008/09 levels by 2014. Our Carbon Management Action Plan sets out how we will achieve this by improving our resource efficiency and by embracing new technologies. Through implementing this plan we commit to working at a local level to contribute to delivery of the government's Climate Change Act. In getting out house in order we will demonstrate leadership to the business and residential community.

Gillian Beasley Cllr Matthew Lee

Chief Executive of Peterborough City Council Cabinet Member for Environment Capital and Culture Peterborough City Council

Foreword from the Carbon Trust

Cutting carbon emissions as part of the fight against climate change should be a key priority for local authorities - it's all about getting your own house in order and leading by example. The UK government has identified the local authority sector as key to delivering carbon reduction across the UK inline with its Kyoto commitments and the Local Authority Carbon Management programme is designed in response to this. It assists councils in saving money on energy and putting it to good use in other areas, whilst making a positive contribution to the environment by lowering their carbon emissions.

Peterborough City Council was selected in 2009, amidst strong competition, to take part in this ambitious programme. Peterborough City Council partnered with the Carbon Trust on this programme in order to realise vast carbon and cost savings. This Carbon Management Action Plan commits the council to a target of reducing CO_2 by 35% of 2008/09 levels by 2014 and underpins potential financial savings to the council of around £10 million.

There are those that can and those that do. Local authorities can contribute significantly to reducing CO_2 emissions. The Carbon Trust is very proud to support Peterborough City Council in their ongoing implementation of carbon management.

Richard Rugg

Head of Public Sector, Carbon Trust





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1. Introduction

Peterborough City Council is a unitary authority serving a growing population of more than 160,000 residents. We have a long-standing commitment to environmental leadership. In 1992 Peterborough became one of four UK environment cities and our reputation is now growing as the UK's Environment Capital.

The city council is a signatory to the Nottingham Declaration, which acknowledges our contribution to climate change. We have already taken steps to reduce our emissions and this carbon management action plan will bring together such projects and allow their savings to be counted and recognised.

As one of the most visible organisations and largest employers in Peterborough the city council is in a key position to lead on tackling climate change. We will work alongside our strategic partners to undertake both mitigation efforts to reduce our carbon emissions and adaptation efforts to future proof the city from extreme weather events, demonstrating our commitment to transitioning to a low carbon future.

This Carbon Management Action Plan (CMAP) details how the city council will reduce carbon dioxide emission from its operations. It is the product of an intensive ten-month partnership with the Carbon Trust on the Local Authority Carbon Management Programme, which began in May 2009. The programme involves setting a target for emission reduction and developing projects to realise it. We have followed the five steps in the programme to develop our CMAP:



Figure 1: The 5 step carbon management process for local authorities

The document discusses the context of carbon management, the city council's baseline carbon dioxide emissions, and a model for projects to reduce our emissions. In 2014, at the end of the initial target reduction period, we will review progress against the target, and set further targets to continue contributing to the Environment Capital.



2. Drivers for carbon management

The city council's drivers for carbon management are both local and international;

2.1 International

Climate change

The climate is changing due to increased atmospheric greenhouse gases which prevent the sun's radiation escaping. The scientific community widely acknowledges that human activity is increasing the concentration of greenhouse gases, the impacts of which will be felt globally regardless of political boundaries. The international response is co-ordinated by the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCC), whose Kyoto Protocol adopted by 37 countries in 1997required signatories to reduce greenhouse gas emissions collectively by 5 per cent of 1990 baseline by 2012. Under the Protocol the UK committed to reduce emissions by 12.5 per cent.

In December 2009 the annual Conference of the Parties (CoP 15) of the UNFCC convened in Copenhagen to discuss the Kyoto Protocol and the need to revise reduction targets. Although the full potential of the CoP wasn't realised and an agreement on new legally binding targets was not achieved, some countries committed to individual targets for the first time. This CoP marks the beginning of a new chapter in international climate change discussions.

2.2 National drivers

The Climate Change Act

In 2008, the UK passed legislation which introduced the world's first long-term legally binding framework to tackle climate change. The Act commits the UK to a 34 per cent reduction in greenhouse gas emissions against a 1990 baseline by 2020 and an 80 per cent reduction by 2050. These targets include emissions from aviation and shipping, and will be achieved through a system of carbon budgets capping emissions.

The Carbon Reduction Commitment Energy Efficiency Scheme

This mandatory government scheme aims to encourage large, non energy intensive organisations to reduce their CO_2 reductions. It is a mandatory cap and trade scheme that requires organisations, over 5000 from both the private and public sector, to buy allowances to cover their total fossil fuel use. The scheme starts in 2011 and aims to achieve savings in the region of 1.2 million tonnes of CO_2 by 2020.

Energy prices

The Office of Gas and Electricity Markets (Ofgem) predicts that the UK's energy supply will be particularly vulnerable in the future due to its reliance on the volatile global gas market and because of its ageing power stations. This will be compounded by increased demand for energy from the increase in technology and IT.

Energy Performance of Buildings Directive (EPC) and Display Energy Certificates (DEC)

All buildings which are sold, rented or constructed must have an EPC, benchmarking the resource consumption per m^2 . Additionally since October 2008 all public buildings over $1000m^2$ are required to display a DEC, showing the energy consumption and recommendations to improve energy efficiency.

2.3 Local Drivers

National Indicator 185: CO₂ reductions from local authority operations

Local authorities are required to report carbon dioxide emissions created in the delivery of services.



National Indicator 186: per capita CO₂ reduction in Peterborough

Peterborough's carbon footprint including commercial, industrial, domestic, and transport emissions.

Sustainable Community Strategy

Peterborough's Sustainable Community Strategy, "Growing the right way for a bigger and better Peterborough" sets out ambitious plans for Peterborough up to 2021, and identifies four priority areas for delivery by the partners of the Greater Peterborough Partnership. These areas mirror the city council's strategic priorities.

Local Area Agreement

The Local Area Agreement (LAA) outlines short and medium-term action plans to achieve the long term vision of the Sustainable Community Strategy. It is negotiated on a rolling three-year basis between key organisations in Peterborough, regional and national government. The LAA is a partnership document, recognising that no individual partner can meet the targets and deliver against the ambitious agenda alone.

Nottingham Declaration

The city council signed the <u>Nottingham Declaration</u> on Climate Change in 2004, acknowledging that current and future council activities will have a detrimental effect on the future environmental and socioeconomic prosperity of the UK and Peterborough. By signing this agreement we commit to considering the impact of climate change on all council services and develop a framework for future action.

2.4 Peterborough City Council's low carbon vision

Reducing carbon, improving efficency - creating the UK's Environment Capital

The city council will deliver this vision by completing actions emcompassed by the following strategic themes:

One: Improved energy management Two: Increased energy efficiency

Three: Engaging schools in carbon management

Four: Developing a climate change culture in the city council Five: Aligning policies to consider environmental impacts

Sic: Environmentally aware procurement

2.5 Targets and objectives

Peterborough City Council will reduce CO₂ emissions from its operations by 35 per cent of 2008/9 levels by April 2014. This target is one of the most ambitious so far on the Carbon Trust Local Authority Carbon Management Programme and will enable the city council to meet the UK's reduction target of 34 per cent before 2020. The target will be met through a combination of solutions as demonstrated in Figure 2.1 below. The future inspirational target for the city council is to achieve an 80 per cent reduction in carbon dioxide emissions by 2050, inline with the Government's national target.



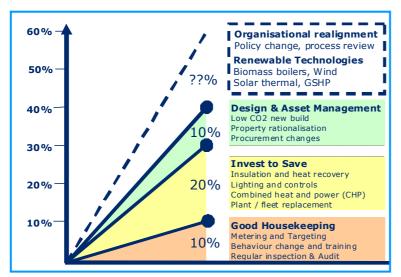


Figure 2.1: Possible percentage energy



3. Emissions Baseline and Projection

The starting point for carbon management is to accurately establish the baseline carbon emissions. This is necessary to set a reduction target against, for measurement of future emissions and to monitor progress. The baseline includes carbon dioxide emissions from the delivery of the city council's function, including emissions from both stationary and vehicle sources:

Stationary emission sources

- Council offices (Town Hall, Bayard Place, Bridge House and Manor Drive)
- 72 Schools
- Street lighting including road signs and bollards
- Car park lighting and ticket machines
- Peterborough Museum and Art Gallery
- Leisure facilities (Regional Pool, the Lido, Jack Hunt Swimming Pool, Werrington Sports Centre and Bushfields Sports Centre)
- Libraries
- The Crematorium
- The Household Recycling Centre and Materials Recycling Centre
- Various depots and storage facilities
- Day social care facilities
- Other council offices e.g. the Registry Office

Transport emission sources

- Fleet vehicles including refuse trucks, road sweepers and council owned cars
- Business mileage claimed by staff for the purposes of carrying out their role
- Outsourced school buses for children living over 2 miles from school
- Outsourced taxi journeys provided for children with special educational needs
- Community Link bus services

Excluded emission sources

- commuting,
- retail units,
- social housing,
- community centres,
- private nurseries
- rented offices where there was no apportioned data was available.

 ${\rm CO_2}$ emissions are produced primarily from the consumption of energy, namely fossil fuels (oil, gas, diesel, petrol and burning oil) and electricity. Other sources of emissions such as water consumption, waste production, use of refrigerant gases, employee commuting were not included in the baseline due to lack of data. However, if in future this data is collected then the baseline could be adjusted to include these emission sources.

Data Collection

The energy data used to calculate the baseline was acquired from across the city council directorates and schools. The data was collected manually with meter readings, estimates from paper and electronic invoices and latterly directly from the energy supplier. In future, automatic data collection facilitated by a centralised energy management database will improve data collection and quality.

Baseline

The baseline year was chosen as the financial year April 2008 to March 2009. The baseline CO₂ emissions were calculated from the energy consumption data using Defra conversion factors published in 2009.

The resultant baseline for 2008/9 was 33,995 tonnes of CO₂ (Table 3.1).

This means that the city council will need to reduce its emissions by 12,000 tonnes CO₂ to meet its reduction target, not considering any growth.





| | | Baseline emissions (tonnes CO ₂) |
|------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | Primary operational offices | 2,212 |
| | Primary schools | 7,045 |
| Buildings | Secondary schools | 10,764 |
| | Leisure centres | 1,517 |
| | Cultural services | 1,302 |
| | Other buildings | 727 |
| Street lights | Street lights | 4,444 |
| | Fleet | 3,203 |
| Transport | Business mileage | 649 |
| IV | liscellaneous | 2,131 |
| Total | | 33,995 |

Table 3.1: Summary table of emissions for baseline year 2008/9

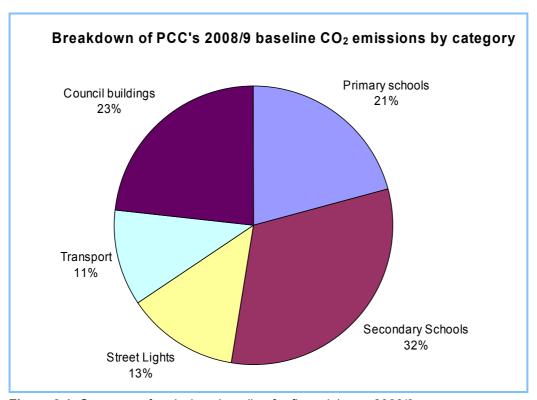
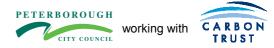


Figure 3.1: Summary of emissions baseline for financial year 2008/9

Future Emissions Scenario

There are two alternative energy scenarios for the city council in five years:

- the 'business as usual' scenario where energy consumption increases unchecked;
- the **reduced** consumption scenario towards the city council's 35 per cent emissions reduction target by 2014.



The business as usual scenario was calculated using a 0.7 per cent annual increase in energy consumption as recommended by the Department for Business, Innovation and Skills. The city council's actual growth may differ from this with plans for large scale growth in Peterborough and changes within the council itself.

Therefore the business as usual scenario only gives an indication of the city council's future energy consumption to demonstrate the magnitude of future emissions the contrast with the reduced emissions scenario.

Under the reduced emissions scenario, annual emissions will reduce to 22,097 tonnes CO₂

The cost of not completing the carbon management programme is 41,341 tonnes CO₂ over 5 years.

Under the business as usual scenario the total emissions in 2014 will have increased 3 per cent to 35,201 tonnes CO_2 . However if the city council followed the reduced emissions scenario, implementing effective carbon management to meet the 35 per cent reduction target by 2014, it will have reduced its annual emissions to 22,097 tonnes CO_2 .

The difference between the emissions under these two possible scenarios for the city council's future is called the 'Value at Stake'. The Value at Stake demonstrates the total carbon emissions avoided by following the reduced emissions scenario over five years (Figure 3.2). By 2014 the city council will have emitted 41,341 tonnes CO_2 more under the business as usual scenario compared to the reduced emissions scenario.

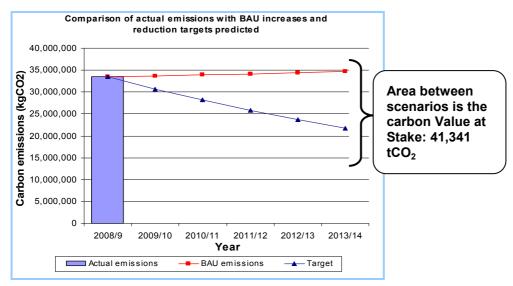
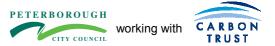


Figure 3.2: Carbon Value at Stake from Inaction



4. Carbon Management Model

Carbon reductions within Peterborough City Council will be achieved through implementing energy saving projects. The model for projects included within the carbon management programme is described below.

Past Achievements

The city council has completed several projects in recent years that contribute carbon savings including:

- Night-watchman software switches off council office computer hard drives at 6pm
- Server virtualisation
- Replaced individual printers, scanners and copiers with multifunction devices (MDFs)
- Good result in SOCTIM survey of Green IT
- School asset management programme
- Electric Grounds Maintenance van
- Recycling rate of 46.6% in 2007/8
- Orton Wistow primary school extension: green roof and ground sourced heat pump
- New boiler in the Town Hall
- LED trail lamp on Bridge Street

Existing planned projects

There are a number of existing projects taking place within the first two years of the Carbon Management Programme.

| Project | Annual savings (tonnes CO ₂) |
|--|--|
| Jack Hunt Secondary School – swimming pool refurbishment | 156.6 |
| John Clare Primary School –boiler replacement (biomass) | 22.2 |
| St Boltophs Primary School – boiler replacement | 12.6 |
| Sacred Heart RC Primary School – boiler and heating system replacement | 5.1 |
| St Boltophs Primary School – partial rewire | 6.2 |
| Heltwate Primary School - partial rewire | 2.0 |
| Leighton Primary School - partial lighting refit | 2.0 |
| Norwood Primary School - partial lighting refit | 2.0 |
| Mercury abatement technology at the Crematorium | 283 |
| Museum boiler replacement | tbc |
| Total | 491 |

Table 4.1: Carbon savings from existing projects

Combined these projects will save 208 tonnes CO₂ from the 2008/9 baseline which equates to 1.4 per cent of the baseline.





Potential future projects:

| Project | Potential contribution to reduction * | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| | Tonnes CO ₂ | % of target | % of baseline |
| Existing completed projects | 208 | 1.7% | 0.6% |
| Crematorium Upgrade | 283 | 2.3% | 0.8% |
| Museum Refurbishment | Awaiting details | ? | ? |
| Automated Meter Readers and Energy Efficiency Officer | 964 | 8% | 3% |
| Behavioural change including awareness raising campaign and Green Champions in main PCC offices | 344 | 3% | 1% |
| Primary school programme plus awareness campaign | 3116 | 26% | 9% |
| Secondary School Programme plus awareness campaign | 1441 | 12% | 4.2% |
| PCC Travel Plan | 124 | 1% | 0.3% |
| Energy Efficiency programme in main PCC offices | 661 | 5.5% | 2% |
| Green Fleet | 544 | 4.5% | 1.6 % |
| Building Schools for the Future | 2272 | 19% | 6.7% |
| Street lights and traffic lights | 480 | 4% | 1.4% |
| Leisure (wet and dry) | 421 | 3.5% | 1.2% |
| Other (awareness in libraries, solar panels on schools) | 820 | 6.8% | 2.4% |
| Building Rationalisation | ? | ? | ? |
| Energy from waste | ? | ? | ? |
| Totals | 10989 | 92% | 32% |

Table 4.2: Model for Carbon Saving Projects across the city council

^{*} The reduction figures are only estimates to indicate the potential savings and should not be taken for definite until more accurate quantification of the projects can be undertaken.





5. Financing Carbon Management

This CMAP details the necessity for all projects implemented as part of this scheme to undergo full approval through the city councils approval process, meeting project management controls and receiving expenditure approval in accordance with the city council's budget setting process. It must be noted that these corporate controls are required regardless of eventual funding streams as the city council needs to ensure Value for Money is achieved.

The funding for projects will be either:

- Existing funding
- Invest to Save
- Grants and Loans
- Match-Funding
- Internal Resources

6. Programme Management

The key roles in the governmence of this programme include:

- The Programme Board providing strategic ownership and oversight
- The Carbon Management Team delivering the projects and the data to monitor progress
- Project Sponsor champions and raises the profile of the programme
- Political Sponsor –provides a link with Cabinet and a voice for the programme amongst members. The current political sponsor is the Cabinent Advisor for Environment Capital and Culture.

Key stakeholder for carbon management and the means of communication are:

| Individual or group | Their interest or issue | Means of communication |
|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Chief Executive | Corporate strategic direction and reputation | CMT |
| Directors | Corporate strategic direction and service delivery | CMT and Programme Board |
| Heads of Service | Service delivery | Carbon Management Team |
| Portfolio holder | Corporate strategic direction and reputation | Programme Board and 121 |
| Members | Corporate strategic direction and reputation | Portfolio holder, Members Bulletin and Group representatives |
| Employees | | Communications campaign |
| Unions | Issues relating specifically to employees | As and when required |
| Local Strategic Partnership - GPP | City wide delivery, CAA | Annual presentation to the board |
| Environment Capital Partnership | City wide delivery, CAA | Half yearly presentation to the board |
| Local businesses | Example of best practice | Chamber of Commerce |
| Local Community | Efficient public service | Your Peterborough, website and local media challenges |
| Schools | Budgets and reputation | Head teacher forums, Governor Forums, Bursar Forums, Parent Teacher association forums |

Table 6.1: Communication with carbon management stakeholder





7. Carbon management culture

Truly embedding carbon management across the organisation is essential if our carbon reduction plans are to be successful. Our aim is to create a cultural change across the city council with environmental considerations applied to every decision we make.

We will ensure carbon management is embedded in the city council by undertaking activities in the following areas:

1. Corporate Strategy – embedding CO₂ savings across your organisation:

- Inclusion of the Carbon Management Action Plan and associated actions into the corporate plan
- refresh of the Climate Change Strategy for Peterborough which will contextulise climate change impacts on a local level. This document will be endorsed by Full Council and adopted city wide

2. Programme Management - bringing it all together effectively

- Strong governance of the programme with a director level board and head of service management team
- Entry of projects into the city council's project register

3. Responsibility – being clear that saving CO₂ is everyone's job

 Establishing a network of Green Champions across the city council to motivate individuals to reduce energy consumption

4. Data Management - measuring the difference, measuring the benefit

- Installation of AMR's across the city council's estate to provide accurate and timely data collection
- Work towards obtaining the Carbon Trust Standard in recognition of the city council's energy management

5. Communication and Training – ensuring everyone is aware

- Engaging the city council's employees with an awareness campaign comprising of posters suggesting how energy can be saved round the office
- Including environmental and energy awareness material in the corporate induction for new employees
- Training building managers to minimise their buildings environmental impact.
- Monitor and publish successful energy efficiency projects

6. Finance and Investment – the money to match the commitment

- Source external funding for carbon reduction projects, possibly to include Salix finance
- Develop a "ring fenced" fund for energy efficeincy/carbon reduction initiatives
- Regular reviews of capacity and making bids accordingly to ensure adequate resource allocation

7. Policy Alignment – saving CO₂ across your operations

- Review all policy and procedure documents in order to ensure all decisions and actions taken across the organisation consider the environmental impact
- Inclusion of environmental impact criteria in the proforma for cabinet reports to the Corporate Management team, Scrutiny Panels and Cabinet

8. Engagement of Schools – influencing schools to reduce their carbon footprint

- Develop curriculum support, including: an online toolkit to help schools to deliver energy related education, a resource library including samples of renewable technologies
- Facilitating the collection of schools energy data, either through better training or the installation of Automated Meter Readers (AMRs)
- Benchmarking schools according to the carbon footprint per pupil, to allow comparisons despite changes in pupil numbers.





- Determining the energy efficiency measures that each school needs to bring the building up to the good standards of secondary glazing, loft insulation, cavity wall insulation.
- Provide tailored help for schools with a carbon reduction officer. The officer will focus upon creating an individual Carbon Management Plan for each school
- 9. Engagement of your Suppliers working with suppliers to reduce your carbon footprint
- Insert clauses into the tendering process and contracts to ensure consideration of environmental impacts and to guarantee the provision detailed energy consumption data from suppliers.

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APPENDIX B

| CABINET | AGENDA ITEM No. 5.2 |
|---------------|---------------------|
| 29 MARCH 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

| Cabinet Member(s) responsible: Councillor Peter Hiller | | | |
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SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2010-2011

| RECOMMENDATIONS | | |
|--|---|--|
| FROM: Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee | Deadline date : Full Council 14 April 2010 | |

Cabinet is asked to:

1. Endorse the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2010-1011 and recommend it to Full Council for approval

1. ORIGIN OF REPORT

1.1 This report is submitted to Cabinet following consideration by the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee on 18 March 2010.

2. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

- 2.1 The purpose of this report is to present the refreshed version of the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan ahead of its submission to Full Council for approval in April.
- 2.2 This report is for Cabinet to consider under its Terms of Reference No. 3.2.1 'to take collective responsibility for the delivery of all strategic Executive functions within the Council's Major Policy Framework and Budget Framework and lead the Council's overall improvement programmes to deliver excellent services'.

3. TIMESCALE

| Is this a Major Policy | YES | If Yes, date for relevant | 29 March 2010 |
|---------------------------|----------|---------------------------|---------------|
| Item/Statutory Plan? | | Cabinet Meeting | |
| Date for relevant Council | 14 April | | |
| meeting | 2010 | | |
| | | | |

4. BACKGROUND

4.1 Safer Peterborough Partnership

The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 requires that a Community Safety Partnership is formed, bringing together agencies who are responsible for crime and disorder in the local area. It is acknowledged that far more can be achieved in making Peterborough a safer place if agencies work together rather than in isolation. The Crime and Disorder Act specifies that responsible authorities are Peterborough City Council, Cambridgeshire Constabulary, NHS Peterborough, Cambridgeshire Fire Authority and Cambridgeshire Police Authority. The Policing and Crime Act 2009 has, from 1 April 2010, included Probation as a responsible authority. These responsible authorities also invite other agencies who are able to contribute to the work to cooperate and Cross Keys Homes (representing Registered Social Landlords in the city) is one of these organisations. Other agencies, particularly from the voluntary and community sector are also invited to participate in the work of the Partnership. At present Peterborough and Fenland MIND and Peterborough Racial Equality Council represent the voluntary sector on the Partnership Board. Other voluntary groups are represented on other partnership groups.

- 4.2 The Safer Peterborough Partnership is one of the partnerships that form the Greater Peterborough Partnership. It also oversees the outcomes in the 'Making Peterborough Safer' block of the Local Area Agreement.
- 4.3 Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 places on designated authorities a legal responsibility to consider the community safety implications of their actions.

5 SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP PLAN

- 5.1 The Crime and Disorder Act 1998, revised by the Police and Justice Act 2006, requires that the Community Safety Partnership publishes a three year Partnership Plan in April 2008 which is reviewed and updated annually. This report brings the revised plan, updated for 2009/2010.
- 5.2 The priorities within the Partnership Plan are agreed following a Strategic Assessment which considers the performance in the previous twelve months and takes into account the concerns of the public.
- 5.3 It is not possible within this document to provide all of the improvement targets that will accompany this plan as many of them are dependant upon the performance position at the end of this financial year and will be added when this data is available.
- 5.4 A summary document will be published to ensure that the public can clearly understand the priorities and improvement targets set.
- 5.5 The priorities set out in the Plan attached are:
 - Serious acquisitive crime
 This means crimes where someone takes something that does not belong to them such as burglary from a house, theft from a car or theft of a car or robbery of personal property. We will be seeking to reduce these types of crime.

Anti social behaviour

We will be seeking to reduce the anti social behaviour experienced in our communities. We will also be working hard to ensure that anti social behaviour does not concern the public to such an extent that it affects their quality of life.

Domestic abuse

We will be working to increase reporting of domestic violence as we know that many people suffer in silence and never have access to the help that they need. Victims of domestic violence will also suffer abuse over and over again and we are going to work through our multi agency group to ensure that repeat incidents of domestic violence reduce for those victims who we are supporting.

Violent crime

This area of work will focus upon violent crime, particularly in our city centre, which is often fuelled by alcohol. We will work with the licensed trade to improve safety in the pubs and clubs of our city. Young people using alcohol in public places in our neighbourhoods is an issue for many communities and we will be focusing upon reducing the harm caused by this behaviour.

This year, following a review by the Safer Peterborough Partnership, hate crime will now be included within violent crime.

Serious Sexual offences

Although the numbers of people who are victims of sexual offences is very low we recognise the devastating effect that this can have upon the victim and their family. We will be working to increase reporting of this crime, which often goes unreported and improving the support provided to victims of sexual offences.

Road safety

This area measures the national indicator for those who are killed or seriously injured on our roads.

- 5.6 For each of the priority areas, improvement targets will be identified that we believe will reflect the work that we are going to be doing and allow both the partnership and the public to measure whether or not we have been successful.
- 5.7 The Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan covers all the priorities of the Partnership for the coming three years. Indicators, both national and local, have been selected to effectively reflect the improvement that is planned. Some of these indicators have also been included with the Local Area Agreement.

6. CONSULTATION

- 6.1 This year we have extended the consultation that has been undertaken. This has included:
 - A Members' briefing was held to allow elected Members to contribute to the Strategic Assessment
 - Focus Groups with:
 - Adults with learning disabilities
 - Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender groups
 - Public consultation through 'Face the People' event in June
 - PCVS Small Groups Forum
 - Stakeholder workshops for each of the priorities within the plan
 - Presentations to other partnerships within GPP
 - City Centre Forum

Additionally, the Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee discussed and scrutinised the Plan at its meeting on 18th March. Following a robust discussion around performance it was agreed as part of the discussions that, where there is reference to Central or East Wards, these would be accompanied by an acknowledgement that related statistics include the city centre and Eastern Industry respectively. It was also acknowledged that the Plan would be updated with the most current performance data as soon as it is available. The Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee therefore agreed to recommend the Plan to Cabinet for approval.

7. ANTICIPATED OUTCOMES

7.1 This plan sets out the priorities adopted by the Safer Peterborough Partnership in addressing its vision statement 'Peterborough Together: reducing crime, building safe and confident communities'.

The specific performance targets against which performance will be measured are included within the Partnership Plan.

8. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 This Partnership Plan has been drafted following a comprehensive Strategic Assessment which provides both quantitative and qualitative data to indicate the areas that are a priority. These priorities have also been tested with stakeholders through a number of events.
- 8.2 The Safer Peterborough Partnership has approved this plan for the forthcoming year.

9. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED

9.1 The Partnership Plan sets out additional priorities that were considered by the Safer Peterborough Partnership and the reasons that these have not been adopted.

10. IMPLICATIONS

10.1 Financial implications

There are no financial implications for the Council associated with this plan. The resources required to meet this plan have been identified by Safer Peterborough Partnership and will be addressed by the Partnership.

10.2 Legal implications

There is a statutory responsibility for the Safer Peterborough Partnership to produce this annual plan.

10.3 LAA Targets

LAA targets are set out within this plan and monitored on a monthly basis by the Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan.

11. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

Crime and Disorder Act 1998 Police and Justice Act 2006 Policing and Crime Act 2009



SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP¹

COMMUNITY SAFETY PLAN 2008 - 2011

Reviewed on an annual basis 2010 - 2011 refresh

1 OUR VISION STATEMENT

Peterborough Together: reducing crime, building safe and confident communities

2 SETTING THE SCENE

2.1 Legislative Framework

The Government has, over the past few years, undertaken an extensive review of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 with a number of changes being made to this legislation. The improvements identified are reflected in the Police and Justice Act 2006 and subsequent regulations.

One of the requirements of the Act is that the Community Safety Partnership¹ is to prepare a Partnership Plan which should be informed by the Strategic Assessment² undertaken on an annual basis. The Partnership Plan will cover three years but be updated annually in light of the findings from the revised Strategic Assessment.

The Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan replace the Crime and Disorder Audit and Strategy.

The Community Safety Partnership is responsible for the delivery of the outcomes in this Plan. The constitution of the Partnership sets out the principles of how the day to day business will be conducted. This will ensure that the decision making processes are efficient, transparent and accountable to the public whom it serves.

The Community Safety Partnership Board brings together the *responsible authorities*, as set down in the Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (amended by the Police and Justice Act 2006). Responsible authorities have a duty, under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act, to consider the community safety implications of their actions. This poses a testing challenge to the designated authorities. Compliance with Section 17 can be seen as a means to demonstrate the overall local authority response to addressing

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Sometimes referred to as Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships (CDRPs)

² The Strategic Assessment brings together data from all the partner agencies to allow us to paint a picture of crime and disorder in the city. This is then used to help us to identify our priorities.

crime and disorder and non-compliance could open up, in certain circumstances, the possibility of legal action against one of the responsible authorities.

Responsible authorities are:

- Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Peterborough City Council
- NHS Peterborough
- Cambridgeshire Fire Authority
- Cambridgeshire Police Authority

The Policing and Crime Act 2009 has, from 1 April 2010, now included Probation in the list of responsible authorities. This means that locally, Cambridgeshire Probation Service, are now a responsible authority within the Safer Peterborough Partnership.

Co-operating authorities are local groups or agencies that contribute significantly to community safety. The Crime and Disorder Act 1998 makes co-operating bodies key partners in the setting and delivery of objectives. Co-operating authorities should provide data and information to improve the understanding of the local crime and disorder problems, thereby benefitting the community and contributing to the core functions of their respective agencies.

Co-operating authorities are:

• Cross Keys Homes (representing Registered Social Landlords)

The Board also invites others to join the partnership on the basis that they can assist in the delivery of goals of the Partnership. These are known as *Invitees to Participate*. These may sit on different areas of the Community Safety Partnership for example, the Community Safety Partnership, the Delivery Board or Task and Finish Groups. This provides the opportunity for the voluntary and community sector to be fully engaged in the work of the Partnership.

Invitees to co-operate are:

- Peterborough Racial Equality Council
- Drinksense
- Bridgegate Drug Services
- Victim Support
- Peterborough Mediation
- HMP Peterborough
- Job Centre Plus
- Cambridgeshire Criminal Justice Board

As the new structures are developed these invitees to co-operate will be extended and clarified.

2.2 Links to other partnerships

2.2.1 The Sustainable Community Strategy

The Sustainable Community Strategy is the document, produced by the Greater Peterborough Partnership³, which sets out the direction for overall strategic development of Peterborough. There are many other strategic documents that support

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³ Available at www.gpp-peterborough.org.uk Partnership Plan 2010 - 2011 Refresh

the overall development of Peterborough and the Community Safety Plan is one such plan.

The ambition of the Sustainable Community Strategy is to deliver a bigger and better Peterborough, taking advantage of the inherent opportunities we have and at the same time tackling the challenges we face in order to deliver a higher quality of life for all. The Community Safety Plan sets out how we, as the Community Safety Partnership, will contribute to this overall vision and contribute to the outcome of:

'Making Peterborough Safer' – so that people of all ages and abilities can live, work and play in a prosperous and successful Peterborough without undue crime or fear of crime'.

The national indicators that are used to demonstrate performance against the Sustainable Community Strategy are contained within the Local Area Agreement. This partnership plan will include:

- Some national indicators that are within the Local Area Agreement
- Some national indicators that are not within the Local Area Agreement
- Some local indicators that are not within the Local Area Agreement

2.2.20ther strategies and plans

Whilst the Partnership Plan sets out the key priority areas for the Safer Peterborough Partnership, it is recognised that these priorities are not delivered entirely by the Community Safety Partnership but are contributed to by other plans and strategies such as:

National plans

Youth Crime Action Plan

Local plans

- Peterborough City Council Corporate Plan
- Drug Treatment Plans
- Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy
- Youth Justice Plan
- Local Policing Plan
- Children and Young People Plan
- Neighbourhood Investment Strategy
- Community Cohesion Strategy
- Cambridgeshire Probation Area Business Plan
- MAPPA⁴ Business Plan
- NHS Peterborough Five Year Strategic Plan 'Living Longer, Living Well'
- Peterborough Adult Safeguarding Board Action Plan 2009-12

2.3 Changes in Peterborough's Population

Peterborough is a city that has a history of receiving waves of migration - from Irish immigrants who built the railways in the 1840s, to post war arrivals from Italy, and to a lesser degree Poland, Lithuania and the Ukraine. This was followed by further arrivals

⁴ MAPPA – Multi Agency Public Protection Arrangements – this is a multi agency group that oversees the management of the most dangerous offenders in our community

from the West Indies in the 1950s, Pakistan and India from the 1960s. The city also welcomed groups of Ugandan Asians and Vietnamese boat refugees in the 1970s.

After being designated an asylum dispersal area in 2001, Peterborough – with around 160,000 residents – was allocated an estimated 78% of all asylum seekers dispersed to the East of England region. Other new arrivals, granted refugee status, also moved to the city and the expansion of the European Union in May 2004 saw an influx of migrant workers from the eight new Accession states.

The city has become home to migrants from the European Union including around 6,000 Portuguese workers. The most recent official figures have recorded the number of migrant workers at 7,915⁵, representing one in eight of the total for whole of the Eastern Region. The arrival of large numbers of migrants, from over 50 nationalities, has changed the dynamics of our local communities.

However, the East of England Regional Assembly concedes that the number of EU migrants in the city may be as high as 16,000. This means that the indicative rise in population between 2003 and 2007 is likely to have been in excess of ten per cent.

In order that we ensure that our Partnership Plan effectively addresses the needs of all groups within our city we will undertake an Equality Impact Assessment on this plan to ensure that we are able to take these issues forward in the future.

2.4 Peterborough for the Future

Peterborough is a city undergoing enormous amounts of change. Over the next few years the city is set to expand considerably. The Regional Spatial Strategy identifies that by 2021 it is planned that there will be 20,000 net new jobs, 25,000 more homes and 40,000 more people.

There are a number of major improvements planned for the coming years which will be set out in detail in Peterborough City Council's Core Strategy:

Housing

We must plan for 27,535 more dwellings by 2026 which will be located broadly in the city centre, district centres, within the urban area, Hampton, Paston Reserve/Norwood, Stanground South, Great Haddon and a number of rural areas.

Employment

The Economic Development Strategy identifies the potential to create more than the indicative target of 20,000 additional jobs set by the East of England Plan, with an emphasis on job creation in the higher value-added sectors, particularly environmental industries. Over 80 hectares of employment land is proposed in addition to that already identified or committed. The principle locations for new employment development will be the city centre, Eastern Industry, Alwalton Hill, Stanground South, the Great Haddon urban extension and the Norwood urban extension.

Regeneration

The strategy for the future of Peterborough is as much about regeneration of existing neighbourhoods as it is about new developments.

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⁵ Figures obtained from the most recent migrant workers registration scheme Partnership Plan 4

These developments will have an impact upon the work of the Partnership and will be included within future plans.

Current economic crisis

The UK economy has been in recession for over a year, since the second quarter of 2008, with economists expecting it to return to growth in the coming months⁶. Predictions that the recession will result in a crime wave, as people turn to serious acquisitive crime to make ends meet, has not yet materialised in Peterborough. Although Serious Acquisitive Crime did peak in December 2008/January 2009 it is now experiencing a downward trend. Levels of shoplifting have shown a degree of long term stability over the last 18 months although they do fluctuate from month to month. However, unemployment continues to rise both in the UK and globally.

A more direct impact of the recession is the prospect of budget cuts across the public sector, which is likely to result in a slimming of resources dealing with community safety.

We will continue to monitor the effects of the economic crisis on a regular basis and seek to bring as much external funding into the city as it possible to counter the tightening of mainstream budgets.

Transformation of neighbourhood delivery

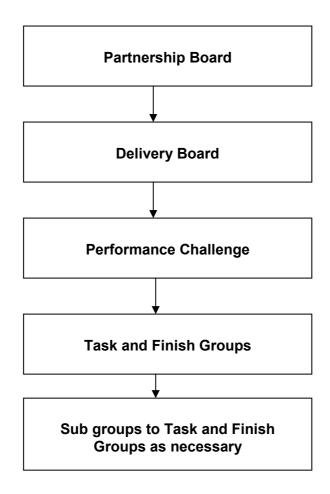
Peterborough City Council is responding to local, regional and national policy changes by implementing a Neighbourhood Management solution for our communities. This is essentially a multi partner approach to problem solving, community planning and driving the improvement agenda, which connects the bottom up approach through community engagement, local aspirations and local needs, with the top down, such as legislation, regional policy data and intelligence. Whilst a key focus of this new approach will be to resolve the root causes of current issues affecting a neighbourhood, there will be an element of medium and long term planning. The ethos is to ensure that all communities have the opportunity, and are empowered, to action and influence services and change in their local neighbourhoods through Community Action Plans.

Neighbourhood Councils have been introduced across the City and have a key role in developing and monitoring the implementation of Community Action Plans. These councils are an extension of Peterborough City Council's decision making structures to support the local needs of the community and are chaired by elected members. The Councils have an Advisory Panel of high level key partners including Peterborough Probation, Courts, Health, Education and Young People, Fire and Rescue and the Police. The existing mechanisms for engaging with communities, including the Neighbourhood Panels and Parish Councils will continue and be strengthened and will work in partnership with Neighbourhood Councils.

3 STRUCTURE OF SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP

The table below shows the structure of the Partnership:

6 http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/business/7844861.stm Partnership Plan 2010 - 2011 Refresh



3.1 Partnership Board

The Partnership Board fulfils the duties of a Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) as set out within the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

The Police and Crime Act 2009 now extends these duties to include a duty to implement a strategy to reduce re-offending by adult and young offenders and to take reducing re-offending into account when exercising their functions (Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998).

The Partnership Board is chaired by Chris Strickland, Deputy Chief Fire Officer of Cambridgeshire Fire and Rescue Service. This board provides strategic direction for the work of the Partnership by:

- Assessing the needs within the area
- Overseeing all planning and strategy
- Establishing the performance targets
- Resource management
- Delivery of the Safer and Stronger elements of the Local Area Agreement
- Compliance with the national guidance in relation to crime, drugs and anti social behaviour
- Commission of drug treatment services

3.2 Delivery Board

This Board is chaired by Head of Neighbourhoods, Peterborough City Council. This Board carries out, on behalf of the Partnership Board, the following duties:

- Setting up Task and Finish Groups as needed to deliver the Partnership Plan
- Monitor the performance of the Task and Finish Groups against agreed performance targets and approved action plans
- report to the Partnership Board on a regular basis, identifying issues, challenges and barriers and seeking their guidance and direction in addressing these issues.
- Oversee the allocation of financial resources

3.3 Performance Challenge Meeting

Following the reviews of the Partnership in 2008, this has been a year in which the changes made to the structure of the partnership have been consolidated and developed. During this year, the Performance Challenge meeting has been introduced. This group, made up of performance leads from the Partnership and the theme leads for each area of business, meets between the Task and Finish Groups and the Delivery Board each month to allow a thorough scrutiny of the performance for the previous month.

3.4 Task and Finish Groups

Task and Finish Groups exist for the key priority areas of partnership business and other key areas of activity. Each Task and Finish Group has a Theme Lead who is responsible for leading delivery in their business area and producing the Action Plan. The Task and Finish Groups are:

- Serious Acquisitive Crime Detective Chief Inspector, Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Anti Social Behaviour Peterborough City Council
 - Arson Cambs Fire and Rescue Service
- Domestic Abuse –Peterborough City Council
- Serious Sexual Violence NHS Peterborough
- Violent Crime –Cambridgeshire Constabulary
 - o Hate Crime, Peterborough Racial Equality Council
- Road Safety Peterborough City Council
- Integrated Offender Management Peterborough City Council
- Adult Drug and Alcohol Joint Commissioning Group NHS Peterborough

The purpose of the Task and Finish Groups is to:

- To use intelligence led problem solving to develop action plans that will facilitate performance against the Partnership Plan
- To monitor performance against targets within the Partnership Plan
- To report performance, using provided templates, to the Delivery Board on a monthly basis
- To identify necessary funding to deliver the agreed action plans
- To report problems and blockages to the Delivery Board to allow support to be provided to the Task and Finish Group
- To form sub groups where necessary for a distinct area of business
- To identify areas of success and use these to influence the work of other Task and Finish Groups

3.5 SAFER PETERBOROUGH PARTNERSHIP TEAM

Over the past twelve months, significant changes have been made to the delivery of the Partnership Plan by the teams within the police and local authority. The most significant change is that the two community safety teams (police and local authority) and the Drug and Alcohol Action Team have now all merged into one *Safer Peterborough Partnership Team*. We are working towards co-locating this team in the future.

The make up of the team is as below:

To be added

4 WHAT PROGRESS HAVE WE MADE OVER THE LAST YEAR?

These are the priority areas of this Partnership Plan:

- Serious Acquisitive Crime
- Anti Social Behaviour
 - o Arson
- Domestic Abuse
- Serious Sexual Violence
- Violent Crime
 - Hate Crime
- Road Safety
- Integrated Offender Management

4.1 SERIOUS ACQUISTIVE CRIME

Serious Acquisitive Crime (SAC) is comprised of five crime types which fall under the broad category of people taking things that do not belong to them:

- Burglary dwelling
- · Theft of motor vehicle
- Theft from motor vehicle
- Robbery of personal property
- Robbery of business property

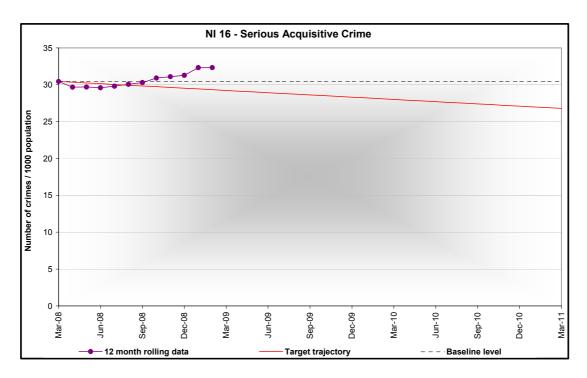
Serious acquisitive crime has continued to be a significant challenge for the Partnership however performance has begun to improve over recent months and it is now predicted that the serious acquisitive crime target will be met before the end of the financial year.

However, in spite of these improvements in performance, burglary dwelling and robbery of personal property remain two areas of particular concern. It should also be noted that, whilst our performance has shown significant improvement, there has been little change in our ranking in our Most Similar Group.

4.1.1 Performance measures

NI 16 Serious acquisitive crime rate

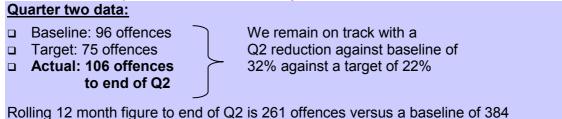
The LAA target is a **12% reduction** in Serious Acquisitive Crime between 2008/09 and 2010/11.



Data to be updated at end of financial year

NI30 Reoffending rate of prolific and priority offenders (PPO)

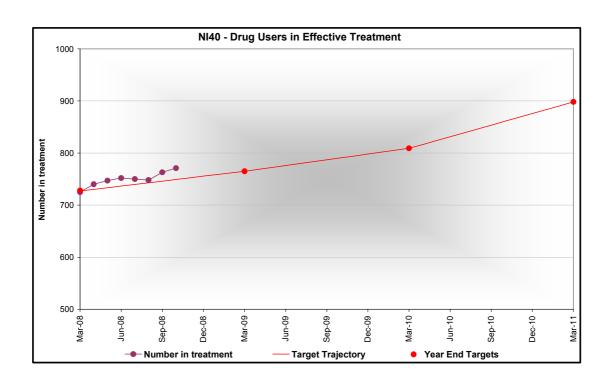
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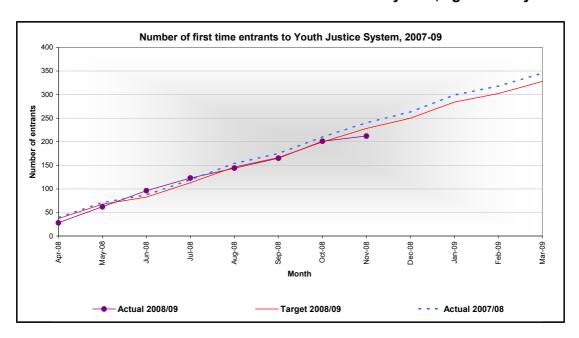
The 2009/10 target is to reduce the level of offences by 20% from the baseline figure; this baseline will be established in March 2009. The measure is against the number of offences committed by a specific cohort of PPOs – for 2008/09 we were measured against a cohort of 64 individuals.

NI40 Number of drug users recorded as being in effective treatment

Data to be updated at end of financial year



NI111 First time entrants into the Youth Justice System, aged 10-17 years



Data to be updated at end of financial year

4.1.2 Focus of Task and Finish Group – Serious Acquisitive Crime

The improvements in performance over the last year can be attributed to proactive interventions with offenders. The specific improvements seen in February and March 2009 can be attributed to a dedicated police team focusing on targeted individuals. This improvement in performance was then repeated in June 2009 when Operation Alert was launched, again focusing on the top 60 offenders in the city. This coupled with a thorough review of the Prolific and Priority Offenders Scheme is key to our improved performance. The

sustainability of this performance will be seen with the introduction of the Vigilance Programme which will see offenders who do not qualify for the Prolific and Priority Offenders Scheme and who leave prison without licence and therefore any interventions being proactively engaged to prevent their reoffending.

Integrated Offender Management Task and Finish Group

Over the past twelve months the Integrated Offender Management Task and Finish Group has:

- Undertaken a redesign of the Prolific and Priority Offenders Scheme
- Refreshed the cohort of offenders considered to be Prolific and Priority Offenders to ensure that the correct individuals are being targeted
- Developed the Drugs Intervention Programme to ensure that it is more closely aligned with the Prolific and Priority Offenders Scheme and support those prolific offenders who have substance misuse issues
- Reviewed how young people at risk of becoming prolific offenders in the future are identified and supported

4.2 ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Anti-social behaviour blights people's lives, seriously affects their quality of life and increases their fear of crime. Tackling anti-social behaviour is not the sole responsibility of one particular organisation or the partnership as a whole but of the whole community. Everyone in Peterborough, including citizens of the city, needs to play their part in order to ensure that anti-social behaviour is tackled and not tolerated. This means that anyone witnessing anti-social behaviour needs to report it and organisations who receive these reports need to ensure that they investigate these reports and take appropriate action to tackle the issues, while ensuring that victims and witnesses are supported fully throughout the process.

4.2.1 Performance measures

NI17 Perceptions of anti social behaviour

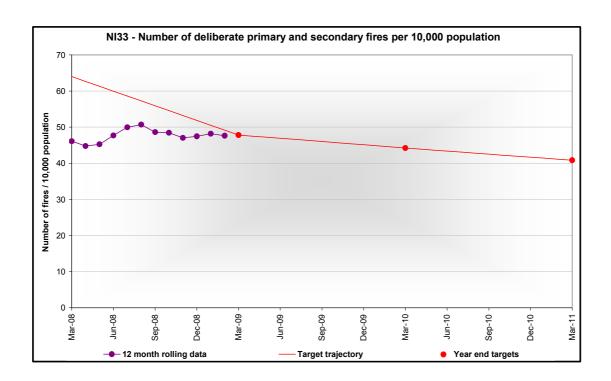
This is measured by the national 'Place Survey' which has run for the first time in the autumn of 2008. The results of this survey will allow us to set our baseline and improvement targets for the next two years.

Data to be updated at end of financial year

Data to be included here to show number of interventions – to be added at end of financial year

NI33 Number of deliberate primary and secondary fires per 10,000 population

⁷ The new National Indicator Set contains 25 indicators which are informed by citizens' views and perspectives. The Place Survey will ask people for their views about the area in which they live



4.2.2 Focus of Task and Finish Group

Over the past twelve months the Task and Finish group has undertaken a publicity campaign to educate the public about begging. It has sought to advise people that whilst they may wish to help those who are begging, by giving them money may not achieve this. People were encouraged to give to recognised charities who work with the homeless.

A review of the way in which anti social behaviour is tackled has just been undertaken within the partnership with a view to delivering a much more victim focussed service. New service standards have been put in place, and will be communicated to the public, to ensure that both the public and partner agencies are clear about what they can expect when they report anti social behaviour.

The task and finish group will focus upon:

- Support for victims and witnesses of anti social behaviour
- Raising awareness of how anti social behaviour is tackled
- Tackling perceptions of anti social behaviour, particularly of young people

Arson

During the year a full review of the way in which arson is tackled has been undertaken by the partnership. This was commissioned as a result of the rise in arson despite a very robust action plan delivering against all its milestones. This review identified that arson can be a pre-cursor to unrest and indicative of community tensions with a hidden link between arson and hate crime. This coupled with the fact that arson is also known to be a pre-cursor to anti social behaviour and property crime means that there are long term benefits to the partnership of really tackling this area of business effectively.

The methodology used for tackling most types of crime – victim, offender and location is not routinely used when tackling arson where work tends to focus on the victim and the location with little or no emphasis on offenders. With detection rates for arson so low, there is no fear of being caught to deter offenders from continuing to commit arson.

The partnership has therefore decided to take the innovative step to disband the Arson Task Force with all the educational and prevention work being mainstreamed into the community safety departments of the Fire Service. A new Arson Investigation Unit has been formed which is made up of:

- One Fire Investigator funded by the Fire Service
- One Detective provided by the police and part funded by the Fire Service
- One Intelligence Analyst provided by the Fire Service

The Arson Investigation Unit will be based in the Safer Peterborough Partnership team and will be focussed upon:

- Identifying emerging hotspots for arson
- Improving intelligence and information sharing between the Fire Service and the police
- Investigating arsons with a view to bringing the perpetrators to justice

4.3 VIOLENT CRIME

Violent crime is an issue of significant concern to the public. Although the proportion of violent crime in Peterborough is low it can have a disproportionate effect on victims. It is often highly visible and causes fear of crime within communities. Predominantly associated with the night time economy or domestic situations, violent crime has the potential to affect some of the most vulnerable communities in Peterborough. With this in mind, the partnership will pay particular attention to serious violent crime in this coming year.

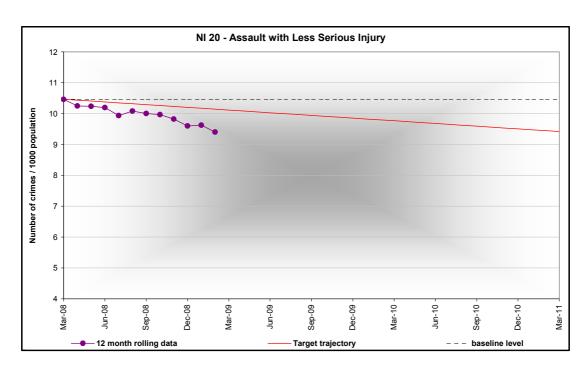
Hate Crime

The Partnership remains committed to addressing issues of hate crime in the city and to ensure that this continues to be a priority, there is a task and finish group which looks exclusively at hate crime.

4.3.1 Performance measures

NI20 Assault with less serious injury

Data to be updated at end of financial year



Reduction in number of licensed premises which sell alcohol to underage persons in test purchases

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| MONTH | Number of visits | Number of sales | % of TP sales |
|---------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------|
| February 07 | 7 | 3 | 43% |
| May – Jul 07 | 71 | 17 | 24% |
| December 07 | 7 | 4 | 57% |
| Totals (2007) | 85 | 24 | 28% |
| March 08 | 9 | 3 | 33% |
| May 08 | 20 | 0 | 0% |
| October 08 | 8 | 0 | 0% |
| November 08 | 12 | 3 | 25% |
| December 08 | 20 | 4 | 20% |
| Totals (2008) | 69 | 10 | 15% |
| February 09 | 33 | 4 | 12% |
| Totals (2009) | 33 | 4 | 12% |

4.3.2 Focus of Task and Finish Group – Violent Crime

Over the past twelve months the Task and Finish Group has:

- Provided training for door staff in the city centre
- Developed the 'Safe About Town' site on Facebook and Bebo
- Launched the 'Behave or Be Banned' scheme
- Undertaken a pilot project to close New Road to all vehicles except taxis on Friday and Saturday nights in December

Hate Crime

Over the past twelve months this groups has:

- Undertaken a review of the Open Out Scheme
- Opened new Open Out Reporting Centres in Orton Longueville School and Stanground School
- Trialled the use of a confidential post box (currently at New Link) for reporting hate crime
- Launched a hate crime area on the 'Safe About Town' site on Bebo and Facebook

4.4 SERIOUS SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Sexual violence has a devastating effect on the lives of victims and their families and inspires fear in local communities. These crimes violate the basic right of women, men and children to be treated with dignity and respect, to have control over their own bodies and to live without fear of sexual violence and abuse.

The most vulnerable in society are disproportionately affected by sexual violence, causing severe and long lasting harm to victims. There are also low rates of detection and conviction. Direct physical health consequences of sexual violence include physical injury, sexually transmitted infections and unwanted pregnancy. Rape is associated with the most severe cases of domestic violence, and is a risk factor for domestic homicide. Long term

consequences of sexual violence include: post traumatic stress disorder; anxiety and panic attacks; depression; social phobia; substance abuse; obesity; eating disorders; self harm and suicide; domestic violence and in some cases offending behaviour.

This Task and Finish Group will also oversee the work to address the issue of street sex work in the city. Although not as great a problem as in other areas, it is widely acknowledged that those who are involved in street sex work do not do so from choice, they may be engaged in this business to fund their own drug addiction or under the duress of another person and as such are victims and should be treated as such. The residents who live in the areas that are affected by street sex work are also subject to the anti social behaviour that emanates from this industry. For these reasons, the partnership will be working, through a variety of means, to remove street sex work from the city.

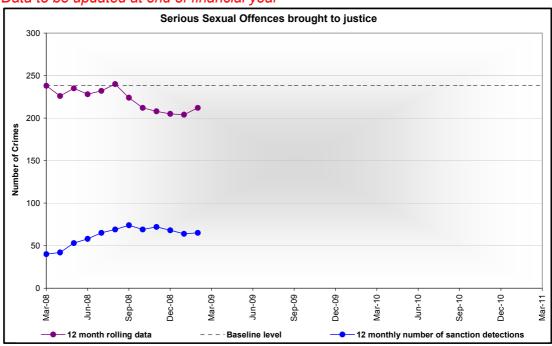
4.4.1 Performance measures

NI26 Specialist support for victims of serious sexual offences

This national indicator is measured using data provided by a Sexual Assault Referral Centre (SARC) which was launched in January 2010. Data for this indicator is now being collected.

Number of perpetrators brought to justice





4.4.2 Focus of Task and Finish Group

Over the past twelve months the Task and Finish Group has:

- Been involved in the opening of the Sexual Assault Referral Centre
- Held a focus group to establish vision for the future of street sex work
- Worked in partnership with HMP Peterborough to initiate a strategy to support both victims of sexual violence on release from prison
- Worked in partnership with HIMP Peterborough to initiate a strategy to support street sex workers to reduce reoffending
- Begun to develop a Train the Trainers programme to raise awareness of sexual violence to key communities

4.5 DOMESTIC ABUSE

Domestic abuse is physical, psychological, emotional, sexual and financial abuse that takes place within an intimate or family-type relationship and forms a pattern of coercive and controlling behaviour. Any person can experience domestic abuse regardless of race, ethnic or religious group, class, sexuality, disability or lifestyle. Crime statistics and research show that domestic abuse is heavily gender biased: usually the perpetrator of a pattern of repeated assaults is male, while women experience the most serious physical and repeated assaults.

However, the Safer Peterborough Partnership also recognises that men can be victims of domestic violence, women can perpetrate domestic violence, and that it can take place in gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender relationships. The Partnership therefore aims to support anyone affected by this issue.

4.5.1 Performance measures

NI 32 Repeat incidents of domestic violence

Number of MARAC⁸ cases heard

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| MONTH | Monthly cases | Cumulative total | Cumulative target | Monthly repeat cases | Cumulative total | % repeats |
|---------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|
| Apr 08 | 15 | 167 | 16 | 13 | 79 | 47.3% |
| May 08 | 14 | 168 | 33 | 5 | 82 | 48.8% |
| June 08 | 14 | 166 | 49 | 9 | 84 | 50.6% |
| July 08 | 16 | 172 | 65 | 14 | 96 | 55.8% |
| Aug 08 | 14 | 169 | 81 | 6 | 96 | 56.8% |
| Sept 08 | 14 | 167 | 98 | 5 | 96 | 57.5% |
| Oct 08 | 18 | 172 | 114 | 2 | 88 | 51.2% |
| Nov 08 | 29 | 188 | 130 | 10 | 91 | 48.4% |
| Dec 08 | 31 | 204 | 146 | 6 | 88 | 43.1% |
| Jan 09 | 19 | 211 | 179 | 7 | 87 | 41.2% |
| Feb 09 | 7 | 207 | 211 | 5 | 87 | 42.0% |
| Mar 09 | | | 244 | | | |
| TOTAL | | | 244 | | | |

The target for Repeat incidents of domestic violence in cases reviewed by MARAC has now been set; this has been agreed at a repeat rate of 28%. A repeat is where a case returns to MARAC within 12 months of it first being heard.

4.5.2 Focus of Task and Finish Group

Over the past twelve months, the Task and Finish Group has:

- Developed a Domestic Abuse Awareness Programme for delivery in secondary schools
- Undertaken a radio campaign 'What do you hear next door?'
- Trained health professionals about forced marriage and honour based violence
- Undertaken a number of training sessions with professionals in Domestic Abuse

4.6 ROAD SAFETY

Road Safety is the combination of education, engineering, enforcement and encouragement activities focussed on reducing the number of road traffic casualties that occur on the highway network.

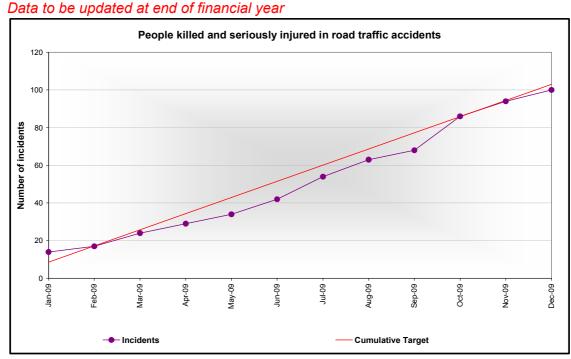
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It is widely accepted that human action is involved in virtually all, and the sole cause in many collisions, whether it be through deliberate action e.g. wilful speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs; or failure to take some action, e.g. driving without due care and attention, becoming distracted (mobile phone usage), failure to maintain the car in a road worthy condition. The environment and vehicle factors contribute to approximately 20% of accidents but are rarely the sole cause, and thus often exacerbate the human action and magnify the effects resulting in a greater severity of injury particularly if excessive or inappropriate speed is involved.

In 2007 the Audit Commission published its report "Changing Lanes – Evolving Roles in Road Safety" which reviewed the good progress achieved in reducing road traffic casualties. It also stated that whilst improving road safety will always be a priority, greater emphasis would need to be placed on working in partnership with the police, primary care trusts and fire services to positively impact on the attitudes and behaviours of all road users irrespective of the mode of travel.

4.6.1 Performance measures

NI 47 People killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents NI 48 Children killed or seriously injured in road traffic accidents



4.6.2 Focus of Task and Finish Group

The Road Safety Task and Finish Group runs under the auspice of the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Road Safety Partnership, which is an existing partnership responsible for the delivery of Road Safety across Peterborough and Cambridgeshire. The membership of the strategic board comprises Peterborough City Council, Cambridgeshire County Council and the Highways Agency along with the Emergency Services and Primary Care Trusts. Beneath the Strategic Board there exists a series of six sub-groups focussing

on particular elements of road safety namely, Safety Cameras, Intelligence, Enforcement, Education, Engineering and Emergency Services.

Over the past twelve months, the Task and Finish Group has:

- Held Young Drivers' Education Days in a number of secondary schools
- Supported the 'Wasted' theatre production in a number of schools
- Distributed 'First Car' magazine across Peterborough
- Delivered 3 Bikesafe courses in Peterborough
- Promoted Speed Watch across the city
- Developed and delivered a new campaign raising awareness of seat belt wearing
- Delivered a road safety programme to Year 7 pupils in 5 secondary schools
- Undertaken a 'Be Seen Be Safe' promotion across the city

5 THE PRIORITIES FOR 2010-2011

The Strategic Assessment has confirmed that all the current priorities are still relevant to Peterborough and therefore will continue to be priorities for the coming twelve months.

5.1 Emerging Issues

The Strategic Assessment identified a number of emerging issues:

- Shoplifting
- Criminal damage
- Human trafficking

5.1.1 Shoplifting

Shoplifting has increased by 11% year on year which equates to 180 crimes which, with the exception of dwelling burglary, is the largest increase seen when compared to other crime types. Information from Cambridgeshire Constabulary indicates that the increase in offending may be due to a renewed focus to improve the service given to businesses affected by shoplifting. The police will maintain their commitment to responding to reports of shoplifting in a timely fashion and continuing to treat this as business as usual.

5.1.2 Criminal Damage

Although criminal damage has been reducing over the last three years it still represents the second largest crime type in Peterborough (20% of total crime) behind only serious acquisitive crime. Peterborough also has the highest criminal damage rate per 1000 of the population amongst its most similar group and is significantly above the most similar group average.

Issues such as hotspots of criminal damage will be addressed by the Neighbourhood Managers through clean ups and enforcement.

5.1.3 Human Trafficking

Human Trafficking has been identified by Cambridgeshire Constabulary as an emerging threat for which there are significant intelligence gaps. There are groups within Peterborough with international links who are involved in labour and/or sexual exploitation. There are groups who target vulnerable victims and bring them to the city with the lure of well paid jobs. Workers are moved between overcrowded accommodation seeing little of their wages and threatened with violence. This has traditionally been seen as a police issue but there this much that the partnership can do to assist in building a much richer intelligence picture. Work will be undertaken during this year to strengthen this area.

Whilst acknowledging these emerging issues, the partnership has decided not to adopt any as a priority for this coming year. Resources will, over these coming years be much tighter than ever before for the partnership and its constituent agencies, and therefore focus must be placed on those areas that are already a priority.

5.2 Vulnerable Neighbourhoods

Within these priorities, activity will be focused upon the most vulnerable neighbourhoods in the city. Listed below are those wards, by crime type, that are considered to be the most vulnerable:

| Total Crime | Central East Orton Longueville |
|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Serious Acquisitive Crime | Central East Paston |
| Violent Crime | Central East Orton Longueville |
| Domestic Abuse | Central Orton Longueville East |
| Alcohol related incidents | Central East Fletton |
| Anti social behaviour | Central East Orton Longueville |

Whilst all neighbourhoods will benefit from the resources of a Neighbourhood Manager and team, as set out earlier in the document, any activity around these priorities will be, where appropriate, focused in those area where the prevalence is highest.

5.3 Overarching Themes

5.3.1 Reducing Re-offending

Reducing re-offending is a key area of focus within all our priorities. We have demonstrated over the past twelve months that by engaging with those responsible for crime and reducing their re-offending sustainable improvements to performance can be achieved. When considering a person's path to reducing their re-offending it is important that all the factors that may contribute to their offending behaviour are addressed. The National Reducing Re-offending Plan identifies seven factors that will impact upon a person's likelihood to re-offend:

- Accommodation
- Education, training and employment
- Health
- Drug and alcohol
- Finance, benefits and debt
- Children and families
- Attitude, thinking and behaviour

As both the Prolific and Priority Offenders Scheme and Integrated Offender Management develop over the coming year, focus will be placed on ensuring that there is access to support and services for offenders to address these different needs.

The partnership is also working hard to tackle re-offending among young people and currently the work being done is delivering very strong outcomes with a 50% improvement being achieved over the last 12 months. The partnership will continue to focus on this area to ensure the gains already made continue.

5.3.2 Community cohesion and population change

This is addressed in the section of the plan that sets the scene and looks at the challenges facing the Partnership over the next 12 months. The issues of community cohesion and population change will be monitored closely. We will consider community cohesion issues in all the work that is done by the Partnership to ensure that every community and their needs are considered in the work that is undertaken and that all have equal access to the Partnership.

Hate crime is addressed in a number of ways co-ordinated by the Hate Crime Co-ordinator. These include the Open Out Scheme which allows third party reporting for victims of hate crime and Tension Monitoring Group⁹ which brings together a number of agencies to consider hotspots within the city

Preventing Violent Extremism is addressed by the Cohesion Board (reporting to Greater Peterborough Partnership). The links between the Safer Peterborough Partnership Board are addressed by the Chair of the Cohesion Board (Paul Phillipson) and the lead officer (Jawaid Khan) both sit on the Safer Peterborough Partnership Board.

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⁹The Tension Monitoring Group is a multi agency partnership meeting to address community cohesion issues at a tactical and operational level and reports to the Community Cohesion Board.

5.3.3 Substance Misuse

Both drugs and alcohol are clearly embedded within the wider work of the Partnership. There are agreed plans for addressing both, which are monitored by the Partnership in the same way as the Task & Finish Action Plans. There is also a concurrent Young People's Substance Misuse Treatment Plan, which is monitored via the Children's Trust Partnership.

The Adult Drug Treatment Plan is an annual requirement of the National Treatment Agency for Substance Misuse, and using a needs assessment identifies the key priorities for the coming year. These are: improved access to interventions; improved delivery of harm reduction objectives; and improved treatment outcomes. The Plan focuses on how the harm caused by drug use on the wider community and on individuals will be addressed via more and better quality drug treatment.

Substance misuse continues to be a priority for the partnership due to the links between substance misuse and offending. Work is undertaken to encourage people into treatment with a view to, not only improving their health, but reducing their offending.

Over the past twelve months we have:

- Continued to develop adult drug services to ensure appropriate support to reduce drug related harm in Peterborough
- Developed additional services to support those from black and minority ethnic communities, including Eastern Europeans
- Increased provision for stimulant users to address identified increases in crack cocaine use
- Undertake a review of prescribing services

The Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy again follows national guidance and sets out how Peterborough is going to implement the National Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy at a local level. It addresses health and wellbeing; safer communities; children and young people; and commissioning; and incorporates an action plan which directly feeds into a number of the Task & Finish Action Plans

Over the past twelve months we have:

- Received a visit from the Department of Health National Support Team for alcohol to review the work in Peterborough against national practice and support our work towards achieving the National Indicator target
- Undertaken an in depth Needs Assessment to identify current trends, levels of need and services provided

We have developed a long term Alcohol Strategy to direct the city's work to address alcohol issues in the future.

5.3.4 Mental Health

The Partnership acknowledges the role that mental health plays as an on overarching theme and we will be ensuring that it is embedded in all of our action plans. We will build on existing structures and relationships to implement

the recommendations of Lord Bradley's report following his 'review of people with mental health problems or learning disabilities in the criminal justice system'. In particular, the partnership will support the development of Criminal Justice Mental Health teams and ensure a focus on early intervention for those who are at risk of offending .

5.3.5 Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults

The Partnership is aware of the national review of 'No Secrets', the statutory guidance on safeguarding vulnerable adults. The Partnership will maintain a link with the Peterborough Adult Safeguarding Board in order that any policy/legislation changes impacting on the wider community safety agenda be addressed. The number of alerts in relation to possible abuse of vulnerable adults in Peterborough has risen considerably. Some of these alerts will be criminal offences which link to Peterborough's priorities of violent crime, domestic abuse and serious sexual violence.

5.3.6 Marginalised and Vulnerable Groups

The Partnership acknowledges that there is always more work that can be done to ensure that everyone in our city has equal access to the services that are provided and that they benefit equally from the improved safety and confidence that the work of the Partnership will bring to residents and visitors of the city. Over the past 12 months we have establish a process for undertaking an Equalities Impact Assessment of each of our priority areas to ensure that we are doing all that we can to ensure that this aspiration becomes a reality. This is now embedded within the strategic planning process.

5.3.7 Fear of crime

We know that people's fear of crime is disproportionate to the chances of them being a victim of crime. For some people, this can be debilitating and affect their quality of life. The fear of crime of local people can be affected by many things, many of which are beyond our control such as national events such as gun and knife crime in London or the reporting of certain issues by the national press.

We will strive to lower the fear of crime of our residents. We believe that we will do this by:

- Setting clear targets to reduce crime and anti social behaviour
- Achieve the reduction targets that we set
- Take every opportunity to tell the public about the reductions in crime and anti social behaviour that we have achieved

This last twelve months has seen a major improvement in our communication with the public. Through the appointment of a Communications and Marketing Manager we have clear direction ensuring that we take every opportunity to convey to the public the work that is being done. This year has seen the recognition of our partnership brand grow.

5.3.8 Victims and Witnesses

The Partnership is very aware that the needs of victims and witnesses must be paramount in all the work that we undertake. The Neighbourhood Crime and Justice Co-ordinator has worked well during the year in developing and improving our engagement with residents to ensure that we better understand their perceptions and concerns regarding crime and justice in their neighbourhoods. Much of the work over the last year has been focused on developing a much more visible 'Community Payback' which ensures that justice is not only done but is seen to be done. The public have had opportunity to nominate areas that should have work undertaken as part of this scheme.

We have, over the past twelve months, we have recruited and trained 31 Community Crime Fighters, with a further 12 waiting for training. These volunteers will act as advocates within their communities. During this year we will developing mechanisms for them to come together to share experiences and explore the feasibility of developing their roles to support victims of anti social behaviour.

A key area of activity this year will be to ensure that communities receive feedback about the outcome of prosecutions in their area

We have, as mentioned previously, revisited our approach to anti social behaviour to ensure that we are taking a victim focussed approach to dealing with these problems. In developing this service, we have worked closely with those who have been victims of anti social behaviour to ensure that we really understand their concerns. We have now put in place a Service Level Agreement with Victim Support in order that all victims and witnesses of anti social behaviour can be supported when attending court.

During 2010-2011, Victim Support will be providing, on behalf of the Partnership the role of Victims' Champion – focusing particularly on anti social behaviour. This role will:

- Provide scrutiny and act as a critical friend to the partnership in relation to our responses to victims of anti social behaviour
- Provide training for practitioners
- Case manage those cases identified as 'high risk'
- Act as advocate for victims of anti social behaviour
- Chair a case review group for high risk victims

6 HOW WILL WE ENSURE THAT WE ENGAGE WITH OUR COMMUNITIES IN OUR PLANNING AND DELIVERY OF THE PARTNERSHIP PLAN?

Over the past twelve months we have focused our efforts on addressing the need to ensure that our stakeholders and the wider public can be part of the work that we are undertaking. It is important that they feel that we have effectively:

- Consulted with them that is to say that we have listened to them and we have responded to what they have told us
- Informed them about what we are doing
- Involved them wherever possible in identifying priorities, planning activity and, in some cases, delivering this activity

 Partnered with them – working together to deliver mutually beneficial outcomes

6.1 Stakeholder Forums

Over the past twelve months we have further developed the stakeholder groups so that we now have a group for each of our priority areas.

The purpose of these stakeholder groups is to:

- Allow a networking opportunity for those working in this area
- Allow them to influence the priorities for our action plans and input into these
- Comment upon the activity that has been undertaken and their perception of its effectiveness
- Challenge the Task and Finish Group as and when necessary

Any member of the public or partner agency is welcome to attend the Stakeholder Forums which meet on a quarterly basis.

6.2 Special Interest Groups

This last year has seen us develop our engagement with particular groups with the formation of special interest groups. These will vary depending on the needs of the group involved. It will sometimes be appropriate to set up a specific group and other times it will be more appropriate to work with and through mechanisms that are already there. Whilst acknowledging that this work is in its infancy, good progress has been made with engagement having taken place with:

- Adults with learning difficulties
- Lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender groups
- Business community
- Service users of adult drug treatment services

Over the next twelve months we will further develop this work, particularly in the area of:

- Adults with disabilities
- Wider engagement with the business community

6.3 Voluntary Sector

All of our Stakeholder Groups have voluntary sector representation, as does the Delivery Board and the Partnership Board. We have worked with Peterborough Council for Voluntary Service to improve our relationships with the voluntary sector and assist in identifying their appropriate representation. Over the coming year, we will be working with the voluntary sector to consider how we can strengthen their contribution to our work and allow them to engage as an equal partner.

We have also strengthened our commissioning arrangements to ensure that we can receive the valuable input from the voluntary sector to our work without comprising any commissioner/provider relationship. In the coming

year, we will be developing this area of work, looking to work with the voluntary sector to access more external funding into the city.

6.3 Community Sector

Over the coming year our primary engagement with local people will be through the Neighbourhood Panels and Neighbourhood Councils in each geographic location. The Partnership now has an accredited 'Problem Solving in Practice' course to ensure that those responsible for implementing the priorities of these panels are appropriately trained to do this effectively. This training is also available to community groups. We are now able to offer this training free of charge to all living or working in Peterborough.

The Community Crime Fighters scheme will provide members of the public who are already active in their communities - like tenants and resident group leaders, neighbourhood watch co-ordinators or community activists - with training, information and support to work with the Partnership to help make communities safer. This scheme will be developed further over the coming year by the Neighbourhood Crime and Justice Co-ordinator.

7 HOW WILL WE ADDRESS OUR PRIORITIES IN THE NEXT TWELVE MONTHS?

7.1 SERIOUS ACQUISITIVE CRIME

The action plan covering Serious Acquisitive Crime focuses on the following priority areas:

- Proactively targeting the 60 most prolific serious acquisitive crime offenders in the city
- Develop the concept of Vigilance Offender Management
- Introduce Partnership Tasking

7.2 ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

The action plan covering Anti Social focuses on the following priority areas:

- Support for victims and witnesses
- Raising awareness of how anti social behaviour is tackled
- Tackling perceptions of anti social behaviour, particularly in young people

7.2.1 Arson Investigation Unit

- Identify hotspot locations as they emerge
- Fully investigate all arsons
- Bring perpetrators to justice

7.3 DOMESTIC ABUSE

The action plan covering Domestic Abuse focuses on the following priority areas:

Improved pathways for all to access domestic abuse support

- Domestic Abuse prevention through a perpetrator focused approach
- Proactively intervening to protect victims from further offending
- Tackling honour based violence in communities

7.4 SERIOUS SEXUAL VIOLENCE

The action plan covering Serious Sexual Violence focuses on the following priority areas:

- Improved pathways for all to access sexual violence support
- Prevent and reduce the risk of offending/re-offending through interventions targeted at potential perpetrators
- Prevention of sexual violence through programmes targeted at those groups identified as at highest risk – these groups are existing victims of sexual violence, sex workers, victims of domestic violence, young women at risk from binge drinking and women at risk from honour based violence and forced marriage
- Communication, marketing and publicity

7.5 VIOLENT CRIME

The action plan covering Violent Crime focuses on the following priority areas:

- Work with health to further develop A and E information
- Develop covert observation pilot in problem premises
- · Use all tools to address links between alcohol and violence
- Undertake intelligence led test purchasing operations
- To engage with and understand communities that are over represented
- Full implementation of CC manual of standards of investigation for violent crime
- Increase violent crime victim satisfaction levels
- Target top 10 offenders of violent crime
- Target Central and East Ward to respond to high representation in violent crime
- Utilise A and E to signpost to support agencies
- Identify connections between cocaine, alcohol and violence
- Take part in the Youth serious violence pilots

7.5.1 Hate Crime

This action plan will focus upon addressing the following issues:

- Improving the scrutiny of responses to hate crimes and incidents
- Streamline publicity around hate crime
- Development of website
- Investigate the provision of advocacy support for victims

7.6 ROAD SAFETY

The action plan covering Road Safety focuses on the following priority areas:

- Young drivers
- Motorcyclists
- Speed

- Children
- Drink driving
- · Migrant road users
- Work related road safety
- In car safety
- Casualty data and research
- Implementation of local road safety schemes

7.7 INTEGRATED OFFENDER MANAGEMENT

This plan will focus on:

- Developing the strategic direction and management of the IOM system
- Tackling offender behaviour

8 HOW WILL WE KNOW IF WE ARE SUCCEEDING?

The following subsections are broken down and monitored through performance against a variety of National Indicators, these are all listed under each of the headings with the targets broken down for each of the NIs, where these are currently agreed and in place.

8.1 SERIOUS ACQUISTIVE CRIME

NI16 - Serious Acquisitive Crime

Chart to be updated at end of financial year

| May 2009 position | March 2010 Target | March 2011 Target |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 5295 | 4574 | 4375 |

To achieve the March 2010 target figure, a reduction of 13.6% is required from the position as at May 2009.

NI30 – Re-offending Rate of Prolific and Priority Offenders

Data to be updated at end of financial year

NI40 - Number of Drug Users Recorded as Being in Effective Treatment

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| January 2009 position | March 2009 Target | March 2010 Target |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 797 | 764 | 808 |

To achieve the March 2010 target figure, an increase of 1.4% is required from the position as at January 2009.

January 2009 data is the most up-to-date available at this time, due to the 12 week "effective treatment" period that must be fulfilled by a user for them to be included within the figures. There is then an additional delay due to time spent by MUSE collating and cleansing data before releasing it on NDTMS.

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NI111 – First Time Entrants to the Youth Justice System aged 10-17 years

Data to be updated at end of financial year

8.2 ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

NI17 - Perceptions of Anti-Social Behaviour

This indicator is measured by the Place Survey which is undertaken on a bi-annual basis. It is therefore only possible to officially assess our performance every two years, hence the target below being shown as the 2010/11 target.

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| 2008 Place Survey Outturn | 2010/11 Target |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| 20.5% | 17.0% |

NI33 - Number of Deliberate Primary and Secondary Fires

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| May 2009 position | March 2010 Target | March 2011 Target |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 818 | 722 | 667 |

To achieve the March 2010 target figure, a reduction of 11.7% is required from the position as at May 2009.

8.3 DOMESTIC ABUSE

The table below sets out the position with regard to the targets agreed in relation to Domestic Abuse:

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| MONTH | Monthly cases heard at MARAC | Cumu -lative total | Cumu- lative target | Monthly repeat cases heard at MARAC | Cumu -lative total | % Cases that are repeats | Target for Repeat Cases % |
|--------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|--|--------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Apr-09 | 12 | 208 | 180 | 4 | 83 | 39.9% | 41.4% |
| May-09 | 27 | 221 | 180 | 10 | 88 | 39.8% | 40.8% |
| Jun-09 | | | 180 | | | | 40.3% |
| Jul-09 | | | 180 | | | | 39.7% |
| Aug-09 | | | 180 | | | | 39.1% |
| Sep-09 | | | 180 | | | | 38.5% |
| Oct-09 | | | 180 | | | | 37.9% |
| Nov-09 | | | 180 | | | | 37.3% |
| Dec-09 | | | 180 | | | | 36.8% |
| Jan-10 | | | 180 | | | | 36.2% |
| Feb-10 | | | 180 | | | | 35.6% |
| Mar-10 | | | 180 | | | | 35.0% |

8.4 SERIOUS SEXUAL VIOLENCE

Data to be updated at end of financial year

8.5 VIOLENT CRIME

NI20 - Assault with Less Serious Injury Crime Rate

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| May 2009 position | March 2010 Target | March 2011 Target |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| 1,557 | 1,595 | 1,538 |

As at the end of May 2009, the rolling 12 month average was already ahead of the March 2010 target, by 2.4%.

8.6 ROAD SAFETY

NI47 - People Killed or Seriously Injured in Road Traffic Accidents

The target on this measure for calendar year 2008 was achieved. It is targeted on a calendar year basis and so does not fit in perfectly with the other performance measures. From the 2008 year end position, to achieve the 2009 target will require a reduction of 1%, as can be seen in the table below:

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| | | NI47 | | | 48 | |
|--------|-----------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Month | Monthly KSIs | Cumu- lative Total | Cumu- lative Target | Monthly KSIs | Cumu- lative Total | 2008 cumulative outturn |
| Jan-09 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 0 | 0 | 14 |
| Feb-09 | 4 | 13 | 14 | 0 | 0 | 17 |
| Mar-09 | 12 | 25 | 23 | 2 | 2 | 24 |
| Apr-09 | 5 | 30 | 29 | 1 | 3 | 29 |
| May-09 | | | 38 | | | 34 |
| Jun-09 | | | 46 | | | 42 |
| Jul-09 | | | 55 | | | 54 |
| Aug-09 | | | 65 | | | 63 |
| Sep-09 | | | 73 | | | 68 |
| Oct-09 | | | 82 | | | 86 |
| Nov-09 | | | 90 | | | 94 |
| Dec-09 | | | 99 | | | 100 |

NI48 - Children Killed or Seriously Injured in Road Traffic Accidents

This is included in the above table and forms part of the overall NI47 performance target.

8.7 SATISFACTION LEVELS

The Partnership acknowledges that whilst all of these performance measures will provide an indication of our performance, what is far more important is whether local residents *feel* safer as a result of the work that we have done. Therefore, the Partnership has decided to include an indicator that will allow us to measure how well the public feel that we are dealing with their concerns about crime and anti social behaviour.

NI21 - Dealing with local concerns about anti social behaviour and crime issues by local council and police

This indicator is measured by the Place Survey which is undertaken on a bi-yearly basis. It is therefore only possible to officially assess our performance every two years, hence the target below being shown as the 2010/11 target.

Data to be updated at end of financial year

| 2008 Place Survey Outturn | 2010/11 Target |
|------------------------------|----------------|
| 24.1% | 35.6% |

9 HOW WILL WE MONITOR OUR PERFORMANCE?

Over the past twelve months we have further developed our robust performance management framework which follows a clear path through the partnership.

- (1) A monthly monitoring report is produced for the Task and Finish Groups to allow them to scrutinise the performance of their area on a monthly basis this report has been further developed to include analysis of those areas of business that need to be focused upon
- (2) A monthly monitoring report is produced for the Performance Challenge meeting which provides three types of information:
 - A monthly report with each performance indicator considered in detail
 - A performance dashboard which provides a RAG (Red/amber/green) status for both performance and activity. Each of the theme leads also provide detail to the Board about areas of concern for the Board for that month and any variances to their action plan which require approval
 - A powerpoint presentation that summarises this information

The theme leads will speak to their area of business and robust challenge will take place about areas of concern. The minutes of these meetings are then circulated to the Delivery Board ahead of its meeting.

- (3) The Delivery Board will have the minutes of the Performance Challenge meeting and will have the opportunity to ask questions or challenge points made.
- (4) A overview report is taken to the Partnership Board each month with details about the challenge that has taken place at the Delivery Board. The Partnership Board will challenge the Delivery Board Chair in order

that they are reassured that performance is under control. They will be asked to provide support in areas of difficulty.

10 WHAT ARE THE PRINCIPLES UNDER WHICH THE BUSINESS OF THE PARTNERSHIP WILL BE CONDUCTED?

In working to fulfil the Partnership Plan the partners will be guided by the following principles (as adopted by the Greater Peterborough Partnership):

Leadership and Ownership – recognising that the Community Safety Plan is owned and will be delivered by all of the partners, who have responsibility to ensure that its vision and priorities are understood in their own organisations and reflected in their own corporate documents and performance management.

Openness – recognising that as partners we need to inspire and challenge each other to deliver the vision of the Community Safety Plan and that this will require us to be open and honest in our communications, offering each other constructive feedback on all aspects of our collaborative performance.

Partnership working – recognising that every individual and every organisation has a role to play in delivering the Community Safety Plan and that we need to work together to tackle our priorities and deliver our vision.

Engagement – recognising throughout our work that the Community Safety Plan is a document for every individual and every organisation, and that therefore we need to work hard to involve, listen and respond to people and communities.

Responsibilities – recognising that the Community Safety Plan is relevant to all of the people, communities and organisations of Peterborough, we need to be informed, empowered and encouraged to take responsibility for helping deliver it.

Diversity – recognising that Peterborough's diversity is one of its established key strengths and that all our work should promote and celebrate diversity across all our communities and people.

Prioritisation - recognising that we cannot achieve all of our goals at once and that we need to take tough decisions to allocate resources to support the four priority areas in the Community Safety Plan.

Delivery – keeping our promises and delivering what we have committed to.

11 HOW WILL WE TELL THE PUBLIC THAT WE ARE SUCCEEDING?

The Partnership is committed to ensuring that any member of our community can have access to the information about the Partnership Plan. It is important that the public know:

- The areas of business that we consider to be most important
- What we are going to do to improve in these areas
- How we will know if we have been successful

To ensure that people have access to as much information as they wish we will:

- Publish a summary of this plan in easily understood language
- Ensure that the full plan is easily accessible to those who wish to see more detail than contained in the summary
- Report on a quarterly basis our performance against the targets this will be done in a clear and concise manner that is easily understood
- Hold at least two 'Face the People' sessions to allow the public to question the partnership about the performance

We will make the Partnership Plan in a number of ways including:

- Safer Peterborough Partnership website
- Greater Peterborough Partnership website
- Responsible authorities websites
- Hard copies of the summary to be made available in sports centres, libraries and other public buildings
- Through 'Your Peterborough' to ensure that it goes to every household in the city
- Copies of the full version of the report will be available on request
- Copies in minority languages will also be available in selected locations

12 CONCLUSION

This Partnership Plan will continue to be refreshed on an annual basis following an updated Strategic Assessment. This past year has seen major developments for the Partnership which has been reflected in performance. Over the coming year we will build on the improvements made and continue to strengthen and further develop the work of the Partnership.

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| COUNCIL | AGENDA ITEM No. 7(iii) |
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| 14 APRIL 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

NOTICES OF MOTION

The following notices of motion have been received in accordance with Council's Rule of Procedure 15.2:

1. Motion from Councillor Seaton

That this Council believes that:

- (i) the CLF fund should be drawn down by at least 50% after the first 6 months of the year;
- (ii) any funds not spent, committed or pending with officers at that time (50%) or by year end should be allocated to the local NC to utilise;
- (iii) details of the use of all funds should be published on the council website; and
- (iv) a report should be produced by Democratic Services, considered by Group Leaders and submitted to a Full Council meeting with recommendations on how the allocation of funds across wards and between Councillors may be improved.

2. Motion from Councillor Fower

That this Council agrees that:

In view of the increasing and disastrous budget deficit occurrence within the last few months within the Peterborough Primary Care Trust and in light of the departures of the Trust's Financial Director and Chief Executive in recent weeks, a letter should be sent to the Trust's Board emphasising the view of this Council that the Chairman should resign with immediate effect.

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| COUNCIL | AGENDA ITEM 7(iv)a |
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| 14 APRIL 2010 | PUBLIC REPORT |

| Contact Officer: | Helen Edwards, Solicitor to the Council | Tel: 01733 452539 |
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| | David Blackburn, Principal Democratic Services Officer | Tel: 01733 452325 |
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SCRUTINY ISSUES

| RECOMMENDATIONS |
|-----------------|
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FROM: SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL

That Council:

- 1. Receives the Scrutiny Annual Report for 2009/10;
- 2. Notes the update on the Scrutiny Big Debate and welcomes the further work that is to be undertaken to investigate the issues raised; and
- 3. Appoints the Principal Democratic Services Officer as the Council's Statutory Scrutiny Officer and authorises the Solicitor to the Council to update the Constitution accordingly.

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 The report seeks:
 - To present the Scrutiny Annual Report
 - To inform the Council on the Scrutiny Big Debate
 - To approve the appointment of the Statutory Scrutiny Officer.

2. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT

- 2.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Scrutiny Committees and Commissions are required to provide a report to Council on their activities each year. This year's report is attached at Appendix 1.
- 2.2 During 2009/10, there has been a new structure and approach to Scrutiny which has been accompanied by its re-positioning in Democratic Services and the introduction of some new measures to enable stronger, constructive challenge to be provided to the Executive, stakeholders and officers. This has involved:
 - Holding briefings before meetings for Chairs and Committees
 - Coordinating scrutiny through regular joint meetings between the Chairs and support officers
 - Developing an effective approach to question setting using a process of appreciative inquiry
 - Developing clear work programmes and restricting the size of agendas
 - Providing more high profile scrutiny events such as the Environment Masterclass and Scrutiny Big Debate
 - Providing more effective challenge at meetings
 - Obtaining feedback from participants about the success of the process and how further improvements can be made

2.3 Clearly, there is further work still to be done but members of the Scrutiny Coordination Board heave recognised that 2009/10 has been a good year for the development of scrutiny at Peterborough and appreciates the support received from Members of the Scrutiny Committees and Commissions, Members of the Executive, officers and stakeholders in introducing the new scrutiny structure and processes.

3. SCRUTINY BIG DEBATE

- 3.1 The Big Debate has involved an investigation by Scrutiny of how the economic downturn has affected the city in terms of its aspirations for growth, levels of crime, requirements to support vulnerable people and its credentials for environmental sustainability with particular reference to transport. It has been a pioneering piece of work that has been designed and delivered in consultation with the Centre for Public Scrutiny.
- 3.2 The scope of the Review has been:
 - (i) To examine the effect of the economic downturn on Peterborough by answering the following questions:
 - How should Peterborough counter the effects of the economic downturn to ensure delivery of the sustainable transport elements of the Local Transport Plan?
 - In light of both the current economic climate and finite resources how best can we ensure that vulnerable adults and children are supported now and in the future?
 - How has the economic downturn had an effect on the amount and type of crime in Peterborough?
 - How should Peterborough counter the effects of the economic downturn to minimise its impact on the growth aspirations of the city?
 - (ii) To make appropriate recommendations to the Council, Executive and other partners.
- 3.3 All of the events have provoked lots of discussion about how to support people who live and work in Peterborough more effectively and there has been a significant amount of positive feedback from attendees. The ideas that have been put forward will now form the basis of the respective Committees' work programmes during 2010/11.
- 3.4 A copy of the initial Issues Paper has been circulated to Members of the Council and placed in the Group Rooms. It will also be sent to stakeholders and members of the public who attended the events. The final report will be prepared during 2010/11 following investigation of the issues raised and development of recommendations to the Executive.

4. STATUTORY SCRUTINY OFFICER

- 4.1 The Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 requires that the Council designates one of its officers as the Council's Statutory Scrutiny Officer.
- 4.2 The role of the Statutory Scrutiny Officer is to:
 - (a) promote the role of the Council's scrutiny committees;
 - (b) provide support to the Council's scrutiny committees and the members of those committees:
 - (c) provide support and guidance to —

- (i) members of the authority,
- (ii) members of the executive of the authority, and
- (iii) officers of the authority,

in relation to the functions of the Council's scrutiny committees.

- 4.3 Under the 2009 Act, the role cannot be undertaken by any of the following posts:
 - · Head of the Paid Service
 - Monitoring Officer
 - Chief Finance Officer
- 4.4 The lead officer for scrutiny in 2009/10 has been the Principal Democratic Services Officer and it is recommended that the Principal Democratic Services Officer undertakes the role of the Statutory Scrutiny Officer under the Act

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The appointment of the Statutory Scrutiny Officer will meet the Council's responsibilities under the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 None.

7. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

7.1 Local Government, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009

SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2009/10

Realignment of Scrutiny

In May 2009, a new structure of four Scrutiny Committees and two Scrutiny Commissions was established as follows:

- Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities Scrutiny Committee
- Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee
- Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee
- Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee
- Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues
- Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities

As part of their new roles, the Scrutiny Committees had the responsibility of reviewing and scrutinising the delivery of the Sustainable Community Strategy priorities including reviewing and scrutinising the performance of other public bodies in the delivery of Local Area Agreement targets. This meant that scrutiny was more clearly aligned to the delivery of the Council's objectives.

The new Scrutiny Commissions had responsibility to scrutinise the agencies, mechanisms and processes involved in delivering services which have a wider impact on health and rural communities.

Over the year the Committees and Commissions have considered a wide range of issues and these are detailed in Annex A.

A Scrutiny Coordination Board was established involving the Chairs, representatives of political groups and support officers. The purpose of the Board meetings are:

- To ensure that there is an effective dialogue between the Chairs of Scrutiny Committees/Commissions (or Vice Chairs in their absence) and the officers responsible for supporting the scrutiny process
- To identify any training needs of Members of Scrutiny Committees/Commissions
- To consider ideas for the development of working practices that may enhance the delivery and performance of the scrutiny function
- To consider the resource requirements of promoting and supporting scrutiny in a local, regional and national context

The new structure and support arrangements have been implemented effectively and there is a clearer focus on the delivery and direction of the scrutiny function which provides a basis for further development in the coming years.

Key Aspects of our Approach

During 2009/10, there has been a new structure and approach to Scrutiny which has been accompanied by its re-positioning in Democratic Services and the introduction of some new measures to enable stronger, constructive challenge to be provided to the Executive, stakeholders and officers. This has involved:

- Holding briefings before meetings for Chairs and Committees
- Coordinating scrutiny through regular joint meetings between the Chairs and support officers
- Developing an effective approach to question setting using a process of appreciative inquiry
- Developing clear work programmes and restricting the size of agendas
- Providing more high profile scrutiny events such as the Environment Masterclass and Scrutiny Big Debate
- Providing more effective challenge at meetings
- Obtaining feedback from participants about the success of the process and how further improvements can be made

Clearly, there is further work still to be done but members of the Scrutiny Coordination Board have recognised that 2009/10 has been a good year for the development of scrutiny at Peterborough and appreciates the support received from Members of the Scrutiny Committees and Commissions, Members of the Executive, officers and stakeholders in introducing the new scrutiny structure and processes.

During the year the officers supporting the Scrutiny function have been working with the Centre for Public Scrutiny in developing our approach to Scrutiny. The Centre has given particular assistance with the Scrutiny Big Debate and we look forward to strengthening this partnership in the future.

Major Projects

Environment Masterclass

Peterborough has the ambition of becoming the UK's Environment Capital and a considerable amount of work has been done to progress this goal. In order to support Members in their role in realising this ambition, a tailored Masterclass was held to bring Members up to speed on the key issues and the leadership challenges around sustainability. The Masterclass provided an opportunity to embed sustainability in the future development of the city and to create a world-class city exemplar.

The Masterclass was delivered by the Forum for the Future, led by Sir Jonathon Porritt, and was attended by the Members who sat on the Environment Capital and Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committees, the Cabinet Member and Cabinet Advisor for Environment Capital, senior officers of the Council, the Greater Peterborough Partnership and representatives of other partners and agencies.

The Masterclass has helped to:

- Build the capacity of Members to consider the environmental implications of decision-making
- Support the political leadership and scrutiny in challenging processes in respect of the environmental agenda
- Raise awareness of global sustainability issues and why they are important
- Develop understanding of how key stakeholders approached sustainability
- Develop understanding of sustainability best practice within cities and local authorities
- Identify the material sustainability issues and opportunities for Peterborough

The Masterclass provided an excellent opportunity for Peterborough to reaffirm its commitment to become the UK's Environment Capital. It also delivered an important development opportunity for Scrutiny Members, Cabinet Members and partner organisations in informing decision-making and supporting robust challenge from the Environment Capital and Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committees.

A number of recommendations and actions were identified by the attendees, including:

- Developing and strengthening partnerships with the private sector
- Strengthening partnerships with key public sector organisations e.g. NHS Peterborough and involve them in co-creating solutions
- Building on existing successes e.g. Travel Choice
- Using the Forum's Sustainable Cities Index, which had highlighted specific areas for improvement e.g. waste

The feedback from the event was extremely positive and we will need to consider in 2010/11 how we ensure that the maximum benefits from this event are achieved.

The Scrutiny Big Debate

The Big Debate has been a ground-breaking review by Scrutiny of how the economic downturn has affected the city in terms of its aspirations for growth, levels of crime, requirements to support vulnerable people and its credentials for environmental sustainability with particular reference to transport.

The scope of the Review has been:

- (i) To examine the effect of the economic downturn on Peterborough by answering the following questions:
 - How should Peterborough counter the effects of the economic downturn to ensure delivery of the sustainable transport elements of the Local Transport Plan?
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All of the events have provoked lots of discussion about how to support people who live and work in Peterborough more effectively and there has been a significant amount of positive feedback from attendees. The ideas that have been put forward will now form the basis of the respective Committees' work programmes during 2010/11.

A copy of the initial Issues Paper has been circulated to Members of the Council and placed in the Group Rooms. It will also be sent to stakeholders and members of the public who attended the events. The final report will be prepared during 2010/11 following investigation of the issues raised and development of recommendations to the Executive.

The Big Debate should be regarded as work in progress and the outcomes will need to be evaluated in 2010/11 when recommendations go forward from scrutiny to decision-makers.

Outcomes for the Year

There are a number of indicators which can be used to measure the outcomes of scrutiny during the year:

| Number of Recommendations made to the Executive and other Organisations | 81 |
|---|--|
| Percentage of recommendations accepted | 77.78% (note – a number of recommendations still had not received a response) |
| Number of proposed executive decisions which have undergone pre- decision scrutiny | 17 |
| Number of Executive Decisions where a request for call-in has been submitted | 5 |
| Percentage of items which are called-in and referred back to the decision taker | 33.33% |
| Number of scrutiny committee/commission meetings held outside of the Town Hall | 5 |

Plans for 2010/11

During 2010/11, Members and Officers will continue to enhance and develop our ways of working, based on feedback received during this year. There will be a specific focus on monitoring the outcomes of recommendations, particularly their impact on service provision.

The Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009 will be introducing new duties for Scrutiny, including giving Scrutiny a role in how petitions are dealt with and officers will be working to ensure that any new processes continue to add value to the Scrutiny process.

We remain clear in our commitment to develop a robust yet constructive scrutiny function at Peterborough. This will use Members' capacity to its best advantage, result in improved and transparent decision making and improved democratic accountability, noticeable improvements for local people in areas which are of public concern, and improvements in performance and user satisfaction levels. There are no grounds for complacency in realising these ambitions but we will be able to draw upon the experiences of the past 12 months – both strengths and learning gained from our weaknesses – to improve our approach in 2010/11.

ISSUES CONSIDERED BY THE SCRUTINY COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS

| Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities Scrutiny Committee | Environment Capital Scrutiny Committee |
|---|--|
| 16 to 18 Year Olds not in Education, Employment or Training Children's Social Care Complaints Report Children's Trust Corporate Parenting Pledge to Children in Care Delivering through Localities Development of Integrated Services for Children with Disabilities Examination Results Kings School – New Age Range Ofsted Unannounced Inspection Peterborough Safeguarding Children Board Progress on the Delivery of the LAA Priority Progress on the Delivery of the Relevant Portfolios Services for Adults and Children with Disabilities Supporting Carers | Bus Service Review Christmas Park and Ride Environmental Enforcement and Education Floods and Water Management Bill Progress on the Delivery of the LAA Priority Progress on the Environment Capital Portfolio Refresh of the Local Area Agreement Response to Adverse Weather Conditions Review of the Biodiversity Strategy Scrutiny of the Budget and Medium Term Financial Plan |
| Strong and Supportive Communities Scrutiny Committee | Sustainable Growth Scrutiny Committee |
| Crime and Disorder Committee Cultural and Leisure Trust Domestic and Sexual Violence Funding Arrangements for Substance Misuse Homelessness Prevention Action Plan Neighbourhood Councils Policing Pledge Progress on the Delivery of the LAA Priority Progress on the Delivery of the Relevant Portfolios Restorative Practices Road Safety Safer Peterborough Partnership Plan 2010-11 Serious Acquisitive Crime Sustainable Communities Act and Neighbourhood Management Youth Crime Prevention | Complaints Monitoring 2008/09 Contracts Process Disposal of Land and Assets East of England Plan to 2031 Growth Area Funding Peterborough City Services Peterborough Integrated Development Programme Planning Obligations Implementation Scheme Progress on the Delivery of the LAA Priority Use of Consultants |

Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues

- Adult Social Care Inspection
- Care Quality Commission Ratings for Adult Social Care
- Coronary Heart Disease
- Green Paper on Funding Adult Social Care
- Hospital Complaints Process
- Hyperbaric Services at Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals
- New Dental Initiatives
- NHS Peterborough Budget Monitoring
- NHS Peterborough Recovery Plan
- Older People Accommodation Strategy
- Performance of Adult Social Care Services
- Safe Sharps Disposal
- Safeguarding Adults
- Safer Peterborough Partnership Adult Drug Treatment Plan
- Swine Flu

Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities

- Bus Routes Review for Rural Communities
- Business, Employment and Training
- Children's and Youth Centre Provision
- Climate Change Rural Actions
- Cycle Routes
- Definition of Rural
- Fix It Van
- Fly Tipping
- Langdyke Trust
- Play Provision in Rural Areas
- Rail Links
- Rural Economy
- Rural Housing Strategy
- Signposting
- Traffic Mitigation

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GOVERNANCE ISSUES

RECOMMENDATIONS

FROM: Solicitor to the Council

That Council:

A. Programme of Meetings

- 1. Approves the programme of meetings for 2010/11 and approves, in principle, the draft programme of meetings for 2011/12;
- B. Appointments to Standards Committee
 - 2. Approves the allocation of a substitute place for a Parish Council representative on the Standards Committee; and
 - 3. Agrees to delegate to the Solicitor to the Council the power to appoint Parish Council representatives to the Standards Committee.

1. PURPOSE AND REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 This report brings together three items of business relating to the Council's governance arrangements concerning the programme of meetings, a dispensation for a Member under Section 85 of the Local Government Act 1972 and appointments to the Standards Committee.

2.0 PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS

2.1 Council is asked to approve and note the programme of meeting dates for 2010/11 and to approved the draft dates for 2011/12 (Appendix 1). The calendars have been prepared in accordance with the arrangements that have been implemented in previous years.

3.0 PARISH COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE ON STANDARDS COMMITTEE

3.1 Council is requested to, under Paragraph 4(e) of Part 2, Article 4, agree or amend the rules on how committees should be set up. A further Parish Councillor place (as a substitute) is required on the Standards Committee in order to avoid situations where the current Parish representatives are conflicted out (has a prejudicial interest, is a member of the same Parish Council as the subject or complainant etc) of assessing complaints received about the conduct of Parish Councillors and would therefore be unable to assess the complaint. A substitute Parish Council

member would ensure that if a review of a decision is requested or if current representatives are conflicted out, one or more Parish Councillors would still be available to form any further sub-committee needed.

3.2 Each political group has a representative on the Standards Committee with a named substitute and a substitute is also named for the Independent members on the committee. Currently, two permanent places exist for Parish Councillors on the Standards Committee with no named substitute.

4.0 DELEGATION TO THE SOLICITOR TO THE COUNCIL

- 4.1 Selection of a Parish Councillor for the Standards Committee is facilitated by the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Association of Local Councils (CPALC). A shortlist of nominees is presented to CPALC and the selected candidate is proposed for full Council to appoint. In order to ensure that any Parish vacancies on the committee are not unduly prolonged before another meeting of full Council, it is proposed that the Solicitor to the Council is delegated authority to appoint the preferred candidate as selected by CPALC.
- 4.2 Under Paragraph 4(a) of Part 2 Article 4 of the constitution, only the Council can change the constitution. The Council is requested to delegate authority to the Solicitor to the Council to appoint Parish Council representatives to the Standards Committee.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications for any of the above report.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

These have been addressed within the body of the report.

7. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985)

Peterborough City Council Constitution.

8. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 - programme of meetings for 2010/11 and draft programme of meetings for 2011/12.

PETERBOROUGH CITY COUNCIL DRAFT MEETING DATES JUNE 2010 - MAY 2011

| MEETING | TIME | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| MEETING | 111412 | JUNE | JUL | AUG | SEP | ОСТ | NOV | DEC | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY |
| COUNCIL (Wednesday) | 7pm | CONE | 14 | AUU | <u> </u> | 6 | 1101 | 8 | UAI1 | 23 | Wirth | 13 | 100/41 |
| Annual Council & Council Photograph (Monday) | 6.00pm | | | | | | | | | | | - 10 | 16 |
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| Cabinet (Monday) | 10am | 14 | | | 13 | | 1 | 13 | | 7 | 28 | | |
| Parish Council Liaison (Wednesday) | 6.30pm | | 7 | | | 13 | | 1 | | 2 | | 6 | |
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| Scrutiny Panels | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Rural Commission (Tuesday) | 7pm | 8 | 13 | | 7 | | 2 | | 11 | | 8 | | |
| Health Commission (Monday) | 7pm | 14 | 19 | | 13 | | 8 | | 17 | | 14 | | |
| Sustainable Growth (Tuesday) | 7pm | 15 | 20 | | 14 | | 9 | | 18 | | 15 | | |
| Creating Opportunities & Tackling Inequalities (Mon) | | 21 | 26 | | 20 | | 15 | | 24 | | 21 | | |
| Environment Capital (Thursday) | 7pm | 10 | 15 | | 9 | | 4 | | | 3 | 10 | | |
| Strong & Supportive Communities (Wednesday) | 7pm | 16 | 21 | | 15 | | 10 | | 19 | | 9 | | |
| Scrutiny of the Budget | 7pm | | | | | | | | 6 & 13 | | | | |
| Scrutiny Big Debate | TBA | | | | | | 22 & 29 | 7 & 9 | | | | | |
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| REGULATORY COMMITTEES | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Audit Committee | 7pm | 7 + 28 | | | 6 + 27 | | 1 | | | 7 | 28 | | |
| Planning & Env. Protection (PEP) | 1.30pm | 8 | 6 | | 7 | 12 | 9 | 7 | 11 | 8 | 8 | 12 | |
| PEP provisional dates | | 22 | 27 | | 21 | 26 | 23 | 21 | 25 | 22 | 22 | 26 | |
| Standards Committee | 7pm | 9 | | | 8 | | 3 | | 12 | | 16 | | |
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| Licensing/Lic. Act 2003 Committees | 9.30am | 15 | 13 | | 14 | 19 | 16 | 14 | 11 | 15 | | 12 | |
| Employment Committee | 3pm | 23 | | | 16 | | 18 | | 20 | | 17 | | |
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| NEIGHBOURHOOD COUNCILS | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Central and North | 7pm | 2 | | | 21 | | | 6 | | | 7 | | |
| Dogsthorpe, East and Park | 7pm | 1 | | | 1 | | | 14 | | | 29 | | |
| Rural North | 7pm | 17 | | | 16 | | | 13 | | | 17 | | |
| Gunthorpe, Paston, Walton & Werrington | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Community Committee | 7pm | 23 | | | 22 | | | 15 | | | 23 | | |
| Peterborough West | 7pm | 30 | | | 29 | | | 20 | | | 1 | | |
| Fletton, Stanground and Woodston | 7pm | 3 | | | 2 | | | 21 | | | 3 | | |
| Orton with Hampton | 7pm | 29 | | | 23 | | | 16 | | | 24 | | |
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| OTHER BODIES | _ | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Police Authority | 3pm | 29 | | | 30 | | | 13 | | 9 | | | |
| Combined Fire Authority | 2.30pm | 3 | | | | 14 | | | | 17 | | | |
| All Party Policy | 6pm | 24 | 29 | | 30 | 28 | 25 | | 27 | 24 | 31 | 31 Marc | h 20 26 |
| Corporate Parenting Group | 6.30pm | 9 | 28 | | 8 | | 24 | | 19 | | 16 | | |

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1 January 2011 - New Year's Day
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30 May 2011 - Spring Bank Holiday

Summer 2010

Opens Monday 12 April Half Term 31 May - 4 June Closes Wednesday 21 July

Autumn Term 2010

Opens Thursday 2 September Half Term 25-29 October Closes Friday 17 December

Spring 2011

Opens Wednesday 5 January Half Term 21-25 February Closes Friday 8 April

Summer Term 2011

Opens Wednesday 27 April Half Term 30 May - 3 June Closes Thursday 21 July NB: dates in italics are additional, provisional dates for any urgent business and may be cancelled

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