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POLICY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - WEDNESDAY, 10TH OCTOBER, 2018

Please find enclosed, for consideration at the next meeting of the Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee taking place on Wednesday, 10th October, 2018, the following report which was unavailable when the agenda was printed.

Agenda Item No

11. <u>Update on in depth scrutiny project - additional enforcement resources for Southend</u> (Pages 1 - 2)

Report (attached)

Fiona Abbott Principal Democratic Services Officer





AGENDA ITEM 11

Enforcement Resources Update Report. October 2018

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The approved new team included a Community Safety Manager post and 6 Community Safety Officer (CSO) posts.

The Community Safety Manager post and 4 of the Community Safety Officer posts are due to be advertised for recruitment during October / November. Two existing Community Safety staff members are going through a Consultation process as this new structure will impact on their current role. Following this, the final 2 Community Safety Officer posts will be advertised.

It is expected therefore that the new team will start to take shape during November / December 2018 as was previously reported. Training for all officers will need to take place following recruitment, to enable them to become fully operational.

In response to the High Street Summit meeting held in September, and the developing Action Plan following that meeting, we are engaging some additional Community Safety resources to support these actions and other activity in and around the town centre and in support of Community Services on a temporary basis while the permanent team is recruited. This will consist of a team of 6 officers operating 7 days per week, and the team commences on Monday 15th October. The team will be directed by the Group Manager Community Safety.

When the permanent team is in place, it will form part of the Community Safety Hub and will be located at Southend Police Station alongside Police and other Community Safety resources. New Police resources expected in the near future will also form part of the CS Hub and will provide for a more collaborative approach to tackling the priority issues in the town.

Carl Robinson
Director of Public Protection

