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SOUTHEND-ON-SEA BOROUGH COUNCIL

Meeting of Cabinet

Date: Monday, 5th July, 2021
Place: Council Chamber - Civic Suite

Present: Councillor I Gilbert (Chair)
Councillors R Woodley (Vice-Chair), L Burton, A Jones, C Mulroney,
C Nevin and M Terry

In Attendance: A Griffin, A Eastgate, T Forster, M Marks, J Williams, A Lewis and
C Gamble

Start/End Time: 4.30 pm - 4.40 pm

93 Apologies for Absence

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor Collins.

94 Declarations of Interest

The following declaration of interest was made:

(a) Cllr Mulroney – Agenda Item 3 (PSPO Public Consultation in Old Leigh/Chalkwell Area – Non-pecuniary interest: Business trustee in Leigh Old Town.

95 The Council's response to the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) public consultation in Old Leigh / Chalkwell area

The Cabinet considered a report of the Executive Director (Neighbourhoods and Environment) setting out the response to the public consultation findings regarding the proposals for a Public Spaces Protection Order in the areas of Old Leigh and Chalkwell.

Resolved:

1. That the response to the consultation set out at Appendix 2 to the submitted report, be noted.
2. That the draft Public Spaces Protection Order (Leigh-on-Sea and Chalkwell Seafront and Adjoining Areas) No. 1 of 2021, be approved and implemented.
3. That the funding for 2 x FTE Community Safety Officers and 1 x FTE Community Safety Caseworker, to support enforcement and administration of the PSPO on an initial 12 month basis, be approved.

Reason for decision:

During the past summer season (2020), and already earlier this year, a growing number of anti-social behaviour issues associated with public space drinking

have been reported. Since the start of 2021, police have implemented 4 Dispersal Orders to deal with large groups and ASB. The introduction of a PSPO targeted at behaviours associated with public space drinking would be a further additional measure to tackle the current challenges.

Other options:

Not to proceed with the Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO) for the Old Leigh/Chalkwell area.

Note: This is an Executive Function

Referred direct to: Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee

Cabinet Member: Cllr Terry

Chair: _____