Notice of Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel meeting

Tuesday 19 February 2019 at 6.00pm

HMS Phoebe Committee Room, Town Hall, Bournemouth

Panel Members:
Councillor Mark Anderson – Chairman
Councillor Mark Battistini – Vice-Chairman
Councillor Simon Bull
Councillor Eddie Coope
Councillor Ian Lancashire
Councillor Roger Marley
Councillor Christopher Rochester
Councillor John Trickett
Councillor Philip Stanley-Watts

All Members of the Panel are summoned to attend this meeting to consider the items of business set out on the agenda below.

The Public, press and any Councillor are welcome to attend this meeting.

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1. by asking to speak on an agenda item or a community issue as a ‘Deputation’; or

2. by asking a public question - any member of the public whose name appears on the Electoral Roll for Bournemouth - which includes a person under the age of 16 years living in Bournemouth and who is escorted by a qualifying adult; or

3. by presenting a petition in relation to items on the agenda.

A request to speak as a deputation, ask a question or present a petition must be sent in writing or email to Samineh Richardson at the address shown on page 1 by no later than 6.00pm on Monday 18 February 2019.

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Agenda

Items to be considered while the meeting is open to the public

1  Apologies

2  Substitute Members

The Democratic and Overview and Scrutiny Officer will report on any changes in the membership of the Panel under Procedure Rule 89.

3  Declarations of interest

Members are asked to declare in accordance with Procedure Rule 5:

a. any disclosable pecuniary interests in any item under consideration at the meeting as required by the Localism Act 2011;
b. any memberships of outside bodies where such membership involves a position of control or significant influence on the organisation concerned;

Members are also asked to state fully the nature of the interest(s). If any member has a query regarding possible interests, please contact the Democratic and Overview and Scrutiny Officer in advance of the meeting.

4  Confirmation of Minutes

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2018, available to view on the Council’s website at the following address: https://www.bournemouth.gov.uk/councildemocratic/CouncilMeetings/CommitteeMeetings/environmentandeconomyoverviewandscrutinypanel/2018/12/13/minutes/181213.pdf

5  Public items

a  Public Questions
The Democratic Services Officer will report on any public questions received by the notice deadline.

b **Deputations**

The Democratic Services Officer will report on any deputation requests received by the notice deadline.

c **Petitions**

The Democratic Services Officer will report on any petitions received by the notice deadline.

**6 Questions to Cabinet Portfolio Holders 6:00pm-6:20pm**

Members of the Panel are asked to submit questions in writing or by email to Democratic Services no later than 12.00 noon on Thursday 14 February.

Please note that questions should be about strategic matters relating to decisions and performance, rather than operational or ward issues which can be raised elsewhere. Report circulated at ‘6’

**7 Flood Advisory Group 6:20pm-6:25pm**

Members of the Panel are asked to submit questions in writing or by email to Democratic Services by no later than 12.00 noon on Thursday 14 February.

Minutes from the meeting held on 30 January– Circulated at ‘7’

**8 Overview and Scrutiny Headline Report 6:25pm-6:55pm**

To approve a report identifying scrutiny priorities and issues being monitored by the Environment and Economy Panel for recommending to the Shadow O&S Committee at its meeting on 6 March. Report circulated at ‘8’

**9 Update from Parks 6:55pm-7:20pm**
To receive an update from the Head of Parks Development on playgrounds and the development of a future strategy. Report circulated at ‘9’

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### Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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| Cabinet Portfolios | Councillor John Beesley – Leader and Resources  
|                    | Councillor Philip Broadhead – Local Government Reorganisation and Economic Growth  
|                    | Councillor Mike Greene – Transport, Cleansing and Waste;  
|                    | Councillor Robert Lawton – Housing  
|                    | Councillor Pat Oakley – Tourism, Leisure and the Arts  
|                    | Councillor David Smith - Planning and Environment. |

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| Recommendation | **To review and scrutinise the Cabinet Member updates.**  
Panel members are asked to submit questions which are of a strategic nature relating to decisions and performance by 6.00pm on 14th February 2019 for Cabinet members to answer at the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel meeting on 19th February 2019. Please note questions should not relate to ward or operational matters which can be raised separately from this process. |
Reason for recommendation | To enable the Panel to undertake effective work by holding the Executive to account through regular questioning of Cabinet members on their areas of responsibility

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**Background detail**

1. In accordance with the provisions in the Council’s Constitution the Chairman has requested that Cabinet Members with portfolios relating to the work of the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel provide written updates to the Panel on a regular basis so that the Panel members can scrutinise the work of the Executive and hold them to account.

2. **Councillor John Beesley – Leader and Resources**

**Headlines**
- More than 5 million visits
- Activity attendances 55% up on last year
- 1,400 people on a health referral scheme
- £53m economic benefit generated through business and cultural tourism
- 5,900 people on the learn to swim programme
- 36,500 leisure memberships
- Cultural subsidies supported 137 performances
- Half a million event tickets sold - 10% were concessions
- 15,500 people came to free family fun days
- 410 cultural events
- 59,000 conference and exhibition delegates

**Initiatives**
- Football sessions and coaching (Boscombe) – supported by Sport England - Tackling inactivity and economic disadvantage fund
- Wesfit Cancer prehabilitation exercise programme for cancer patients
- CHAIN – next phase exercise programme for patients with hip arthritis
- National fitness day – free exercise for all
- Social enterprise’s ‘Social Summer’ campaign
- New health walks (Boscombe)

**Investment**
- Queen’s Park centre investment to improve health spa services (steam, sauna)
• Littledown pool essential maintenance and changing room refurbishment in partnership with the council
• Solar PV installation at Stokewood
• Main hall floor refurbishment at Sire David English Sports Centre
• Queen’s Park gym investment
• New leisure management system, improved access control, ticketing kiosks and app

Award-winning
• Social Enterprise Awards 2018 – Transformative Community Business finalist
• Southern Sustainability Partnership Awards – Energy Management Project finalist
• Regional Corporate LiveWire: Innovation & Excellence Awards 2018 – Leisure Venue Operator of the Year – UK
• Bournemouth and Poole Tourism Awards – Best Night Out semi-finalist
• Local Authority Building Control Awards – Best ‘Public Service Building’ – In conjunction with Bournemouth Borough Council and Footprint Architects
• QUEST – Littledown / Stokewood / Pelhams
• Investors in People

Conferences and exhibitions
• UK Dance Championships
• Bournemouth Film and Comic Con
• Green Party
• Association for Palliative Medicine of Great Britain and Ireland (APM)
• Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in GB&I
• Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA)
• Future Cheer International
• British Association for Critical Care Nurses
• British Association of Urological Nurses (BAUN)
• Society for Acute Medicine
• College of Podiatry
• British Society of Interventional Radiology
• Arts University Bournemouth, Bournemouth University, Anglo European Chiropractic College and National Citizens Service Graduations
• Beachhead 2018
• BFX Festival
• Big Bournemouth Beer Festival
• Cheese Fest UK
• Gin Festival
- Naked Wines Summer Tour
- Prosecco Festival
- Dorset Ethnic Minority Awards (DEMA)

**Cultural events at Bournemouth International Centre and Bournemouth Pavilion**
- Paul Carrack
- The Script
- Joe Brown
- Stereophonics
- Paloma Faith
- Russian State Ballet
- John Bishop
- The Vamps
- Gregory Porter
- The Shires
- The Harlem Globetrotters
- The Great Brick Adventure
- Earth Wind & Fire
- Hairspray
- Evita
- BBLOC - Chitty Chitty Bang Bang
- Kylie
- Joe Bonamassa
- Cliff Richard
- Superslam Wrestling
- Caro Emerald
- Michael Bolton
- Joanna Lumley
- Rick Astley
- Jurassic Park In Concert
- Star Wars with Live Orchestra
- Frankie Valli
- Jason Manford
- War of the Worlds

**Future plans**
- Investment in Bournemouth & Poole – work in partnership with Bournemouth Borough Council on innovation programmes and investment plans for Bournemouth International Centre, Bournemouth Pavilion and Littledown Centre.
- Agree scope of works and final timescales for the major Bournemouth International Centre reinvestment project.
• Work with the new local authority on a strategic review of all leisure and culture services across the conurbation.
• Deliver in partnership the Asset Management and refurbishment investment programmes.
• Invest to Save schemes focused on Energy Saving Initiatives.

3 Councillor Philip Broadhead – Local Government Reorganisation and Economic Growth

Wessex Fields:
• Kick started the Wessex Fields Masterplan, and appointed dedicated Project Manager and master planners.
• Achieved planning approval from Planning Board for A338 junction, improving access to the RBH, alleviating congestion and opening Wessex Fields employment site. Still subject to Secretary of State’s decision.
• Continued good relations with RBCH through the “principles board” to work together on numerous work programmes, including Wessex Fields and RBCH masterplans

Government Grants/Projects:
• Achieved £1m from LEP for 5G/Digital Dorset project, successful against 20+ other projects submitted.
• Admitted to the final round of Local Full Fibre Fund programme from DCMS
• Secured funding for the Transforming Cities Fund from Government, which could fundamentally influence the future transport infrastructure of the town. A joint effort with many parties throughout the Council.

Town Centre/High Street Work:
• Bournemouth showcased as a leader at the Key Cities Town and City Centres Conference, focusing on Bournemouth’s Town Centre Vision, investment and achievements in last 10 years and future opportunities. Councillor Beesley on the panel with Bill Grimsey and Andy Street. Group attending from Bournemouth included BID, Chamber, Businesses & BDC as well as Officers.
• Overseen one of the best years in Bournemouth’s history for footfall increases for the town centre, both throughout the year and including the incredibly successful Christmas Tree Wonderland.
• Worked together to achieve balanced coverage in the Daily Echo of our work on and with Bournemouth Town Centre. Resulting in positive coverage and debate about how we keep the Town Centre a thriving and enjoyable place. Spoke at the Symposium Breakfast hosted by the Bournemouth Echo.
• Continued work with partners and industry at our Town Centre Roundtable sessions. Tangible actions and achievements now coming directly out of this group.
• Had numerous independent meetings with business owners and key landowners throughout the town centre to put ideas into action.
• Achieved planning permission on the Winter Gardens development via the BDC which will be the largest development in a generation on the South Coast and continue the regeneration of our town centre.

Lansdowne
• Hosted constructive Member Workshop on Lansdowne/Cotlands Road.
• Held successful Lansdowne stakeholder workshop on early designs to re-engage businesses and stakeholders in the vision and future plans.
• Completed modelling for proposed Lansdowne public realm plans and agreed preferred option, enabling detailed design process to begin. Detailed consultation with bus companies in particular.
• Taking Cotlands Road Site Development Plan to Cabinet to move to next phase. Serious interest from a major employer for a key section of the site.

Town Centre Vision
• Launched refresh of the Town Centre Vision, which has been key to the success of Bournemouth over the last 10 years. The first document of the new Town Centre Vision, “Values and Principles”, now formalised as a result of workshops and consultation with key stakeholders. This will form the basis of a much larger piece of work into the future.

Inward Investment
• Organised and held the first in a series of seminars at AFCB, in conjunction with China British Business Council and local agency, Crowd, which helps businesses to understand how to export to China. This is on the back of our successful conference in August. These seminars will run throughout the year, focusing on different topics run by experts.
• Hosted dinner with Innovate UK, in partnership with the Dorset LEP, to promote credentials for Medi-Tech in Dorset. Part of partnership effort with CCG, RBCH and BU.
• Continued Vice-Chairing the Growing Places Fund through the Dorset LEP

4 Councillor Mike Greene – Transport, Cleansing and Waste
This will be my last report to a Bournemouth Borough Council O&S Panel and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Members for all their work and their assistance over the last few years.

I would also like to express my personal gratitude for the outstanding contribution that was made by Jamie Griffiths – our officer who so sadly and shockingly passed away. Our thoughts are primarily, of course, with his family but we should note too how big a role Jamie played within our own organisation. He will be missed for so many reasons.

As is the case for most of the Council, the departments for which I have portfolio responsibility have been extremely busy preparing for the new Council. A huge amount of work has been done, and is still being done, to ensure a “safe landing” on April 1st, as well as setting ourselves up for the future. Managing this alongside Business as Usual has been a massive task and it is a credit to our officers that they have managed it in such a seamless manner.

On the domestic waste side, we have had to cope with the fact that the three Councils becoming BCP have different presentation and collection arrangements: Bournemouth has weekly food waste collections alongside alternate weekly residual and comingled recycling; Poole is like Bournemouth but does not collect food waste separately; and Christchurch has similar arrangements to Bournemouth but its recycling is split into “glass only” and “without glass”. While these methods have a good part in common, the remaining differences have very significant implications for the design of vehicles used to collect and the “rounds” arrangements. Contracts with collectors also have different end-dates and other requirements, and garden waste charges differ across the councils as do bin sizes.

Initially our focus will be on a smooth transfer to BCP and I believe we should be judged on how few people notice any difference. In particular, we have arranged for Dorset Waste Partnership to continue collecting waste from Christchurch for 2019/20. But we will be working from Day 1 (indeed we are already working) on how to best unify the service across BCP in the quickest practical timeframe. The debate over which of “glass in” or “glass out” is best for recycling has been running almost 20 years around the country and seems to have just about concluded that mixing glass with other recyclables is the most efficient. Disposal costs for food waste are about a third of those for residual waste (although collection costs are higher), and there is a significant benefit from an environmental point of view too. Moreover, separate collection of food waste seems – correctly in my opinion – to be the direction of travel from Government.
A further complicating factor is that Government is considering banning councils from charging for the collection of garden waste. This would have a significant budgetary effect on BCP where the constituent councils have successful arrangements in place, which are operating well.

Arrangements for a unified BCP service across traffic and parking are progressing very well and are not hindered by the same sort of differences as waste collection. Efficiencies are being identified and I look forward to Tier 3 and 4 officers being appointed to posts so they can crack on with maintaining and improving services in the most efficient manner. In this area I would expect that the emphasis will be on right-sizing work forces rather than straight financial savings.

The big news on Transport is our success in being included in the list of 12 city regions to benefit from the £1.3 billion Transforming Cities Fund. This is by far the largest award for national funding that our conurbation has ever won. It is the result of more than two year’s work by Bournemouth Council’s officers and Members, and latterly by those in Poole and Dorset County too. The exact amount we will receive is not yet known but I would personally be disappointed if it does not run to nine figures. In our bid submission we stated our aim to achieve a 5% modal shift to sustainable methods: walking, cycling and public transport. Primarily this will be by prioritising those methods in physical design and by introducing “SMART” technology.

As I explained in my answer to a recent Council question, we can try to achieve modal shift with the carrot, or with the stick.

The stick approach has been employed elsewhere – particularly in some Labour-controlled London boroughs where they have closed dozens of roads to drivers and forced them onto a limited number of main streets. One of the drawbacks is that journey times on the remaining streets have increased and congestion has worsened dramatically: and that’s the case for those who genuinely need to travel by private car or van as well as those who do so by choice. In addition, when we consider that option for our own conurbation, we need to recognise that practical alternatives such as efficient public transport are currently very limited.

The alternative approach is the carrot. That is my philosophy, and I believe it is the philosophy that should be embraced by all those who are part of what I call Enlightened Modern Conservatism. We should not and will not force people out of their cars. Our objective should instead be that we will respect their choice, but at the same time ensure they are offered a better one. We will do this by prioritising alternatives in our
Highways decisions so the public see that cycling, and particularly public transport, is quicker than driving; more convenient than driving; and potentially cheaper too. And if we are successful in persuading 5% out of their cars, the remaining 95% - and that includes so many who we have to recognise really do need to drive – will see their own journey times shorten by around 12%.

it will allow us to introduce infrastructure which means that not only will the initial 5% of current car users switch, but that prioritised walking, cycling and public transport will be available for all those who are part of our existing and growing population.

To make this happen, I believe will take more than Highways schemes which enhance and prioritise Sustainable Transport. It needs to be reflected in our other actions and priorities too: particularly Planning Decisions and Planning Policy. Specifically, the Council’s Town Centre Vision concentrates much of the housebuilding required of the town by Government in a place with excellent Public Transport links; and I strongly believe that we should grasp the opportunity to ensure that much of that residential development will include limited or no parking facilities so it appeals to those who recognise they do not require a private car.

Similarly, when Planning Applications come forward over the next few years for development on individual locations within Employment sites – and for me Wessex Fields is the perfect example – we have the opportunity to direct those applications so they appeal to employees who will get there using good public transport or other sustainable methods. That’s not the same as banning cars but by, for example, limiting the availability of parking at these new locations, we can ensure that the Wessex Fields development as a whole provides an even more positive contribution to tackling congestion than anticipated in the current Highways application.

This is a new way of thinking. But I believe it is a way which reflects and supports the conurbation we live in now: a conurbation which is thriving but at the same time hemmed in by congestion and increased journey times on our roads.

A 5% modal shift will not solve all our transport woes, but achieved in the right way, it means that we will have developed a sustainable transport system and infrastructure which will be a viable and desirable choice for a much larger percentage of road-users in our growing population. That for me is truly transformational and the reason our bid has succeeded.
5 Councillor Robert Lawton – Housing (inc. Parks)

Awards – Bournemouth Parks Service will be entering 19 current Green Flag Award sites for the 2019/20 awards along with one new site, which will be Littledown Park – in partnership with BH Live. Congratulations to Asst Ranger Phil Wetherell, based at Hengistbury Head, on winning the Kingston Maurward College prize for Advanced Environmental Conservation at their Apprenticeship Prize Giving Ceremony 2019.

Littledown Park & Seafield Gardens - Works to refurbish these playgrounds has now been completed.

West Cliff Shelter – Construction work is underway to completely replace the Edwardian shelter on West Cliff Green. This work has been supported through Local Improvement Funds, Bournemouth Parks Foundation, Tesco Bags of Help, Bournemouth Civic Society and generous donations from local residents.

Slades Farm – Work to fit out, furnish and landscape the new pavilion are well underway- with internal fit out being our first priority. Works are being undertaken by Bournemouth Building Maintenance Ltd. External landscaping and cladding will be completed in late spring. The new pavilion will include access to toilets and a simple café for member of the public. Active Dorset County Sports Partnership will lease and manage the facility once complete.

Bournemouth Parks Foundation - are working with Heritage Lottery Fund and Nesta – the innovation charity – to pilot outdoor contactless donation points in public parks this summer. This national pilot, working with Goodbox, builds on the success of cash donation points within the Lower Gardens, Stour Valley and Hengistbury Head, enabling communities to contribute to park improvement projects. The project has been funded through the Heritage Lottery Fund’s ‘Rethinking Parks Innovation Awards Programme.’

Bermuda visit - Following a successful visit by 4 young people from Bermuda to Bournemouth in July 2018, the Bermuda Parks Department has invited Chris Evans (Nursery Manager) and Nick Colledge (Arboriculture Manager) from Bournemouth Parks and Rev Chris Colledge (Chair of Bournemouth in Bloom) to visit Bermuda. The trip will take place between 19 February and 1 March and Chris Evans and Nick Colledge will be offering horticultural and arboricultural advice to Bermuda
Parks Department and other horticultural agencies on the island. Rev Chris Colledge will give talks on Bournemouth in Bloom, community projects and the ongoing Bermuda Learning Skills & Development Programme, which helps to give young people a positive direction in the field of horticulture.

The visit to Bermuda is fully sponsored by the Bermuda Government and the Bermuda Garden Club.

6  Councillor Patrick Oakley – Tourism, Leisure and the Arts

Events

Christmas Tree Wonderland
- Big success
- Overall footfall 3.3million
- Exceeded expectations (infographic attached)
- Trade - Bucking the national trend. 1/3rd up, 1/3rd same & 1/3rd down.
- Illuminations and Feature tree extremely popular
- Both Ice rink and Christmas market were significantly improved on last year
- Footfall figures in Gardens equalled those in a peak summer period
- The first time in 8 years that the busiest day of the year has fallen over Christmas

Bay Run 2019
- Sponsor secured for 2019 - 2021  - Health online.
- Number of entries up on last year at this point (1300)
- Expected entries over 3000

Marketing

Destination Marketing 2018
- Exceptional year for destination marketing
25 press trips, 325 national newspaper items
Over 4000 media articles with a reach of 191m people
Social media – engagement reach 3.2m
Bournemouth Beach Trip Advisor video reach of 2m people
Tourism website traffic up 28% year on year. 1m visitors
Bournemouth most instagramed place

Seafront

Seafront trading
- General trading on the seafront has been very good this year with the Chairs & Sunbeds, Catering and the Arcade performing particularly strongly.
- Turnover for seafront catering has tripled in just 5 years and is currently projected to top £2.64m gross.

Staffing
- Recruitment of the summer seasonal positions. With over 200 staff being engaged for the summer this is the largest single project the team carry out.
- The team now oversee the beaches for the whole of Poole bay, managing the areas from Sandbanks ferry right down to Hengistbury Head.

Cliffs
- Following the success of the grazing management at Honeycombe Chine, proposals are being brought forward in partnership with the Parks team and Natural England to expand the goat grazing of the cliffs to other areas.
- Goats will be used to graze other suitable areas of the cliffs. Fences will be constructed to create 9 enclosures and 10-12 goats will be introduced, grazing the enclosures on rotation.
- A key aim is to control the spread of invasive, non-native species such as holm oak and Hottentot fig and we know from our experience of goat grazing at Honeycombe Chine that this is a very effective and sustainable way of achieving this aim.

Seafront Strategy
Manor Steps
- First 5 new Beach Lodges installed on 1st February as per programme despite the snow.
- Overall, the project is well on course to complete and launch by Easter.
- The scheme builds on the first phase of 15 beach lodges launched in 2017 which have gone on to win a number of awards and proven to be a highly successful tourism accommodation option.
- The second phase sees introduction of 9 new lodges plus a 10th ‘show lodge’ which doubles as a beach office. When complete there will be 24 beach lodges available for short term hire, year-round.

Adventure Golf
- Planning consent for the Smugglers Cove Adventure Golf Course at the Waterfront Site, Pier Approach, was granted earlier in January.
- Tenders for construction have been received and the Council is awarding the contract this week.
- It is anticipated that works will commence on site later in February and be complete later in the Summer.

Prom Café
- Planning consent to extend the Prom Café located by the Bath Road flyover, and adjacent to the planned adventure golf, was approved late December.
- The Council’s in-house Building Team took possession of the site on the 28th Jan and works have commenced.
- The scheme will see an extension to wrap around the south side of the building, providing 100 indoor covers, internal heating and new folding door system. This will enable the café to offer an improved dining experience year-round and support the new adventure golf course.
- Work is scheduled for completion in April.

Bournemouth Pier toilets and Pier Leisure Centre
- Works are also due to commence shortly to refresh the public toilets located in the basement of the Pier Leisure Centre building and also repaint the externals of the building.
- Works will commence mid February (week of 11th Feb) and are scheduled to complete in early April.
- The building will be repainted white, in keeping with surrounding buildings, with a grey trim linking to the surrounding colour palette. Local businesses have been informed.

Destination
**Purple Flag Award**
- 2019 is a full Renewal year with two independent assessors visiting the town around July, date to be confirmed.
- The accreditation standard for Bournemouth has continuously increased from 2011 to 2017, the 2019 application is in full progress.

**Bournemouth & Poole Tourism Management Board**
- Last meeting of current Board in March 2019 before formation of new Destination Management Board, Bournemouth, Poole & Christchurch
- New Chair of Board to be elected at last meeting
- New Destination Awards – tender closes 31\(^{st}\) January. Will be evaluating applications prior to appointing new Contractor.

**Town Watch**
- The trade group is strengthening with nearly 50 members joined from the town centre venues. T
- The group again expect to provide £1000 of charity funding this year (last year the awards were £500 to Town Pastors and £500 to Dorset Mind). Funding is also being allocated to a number of events and campaigns, and to set up the Bournemouth Live Music Partnership (BLMP) to promote live music in the town at all levels.

**Community Alcohol Partnerships (CAP)**
- A national scheme which will be new to Bournemouth for 2019, the CAP will benchmark the use of alcohol from school age to early twenties.
- There will then be funding for education and training, diversionary tactical events, training and support for alcohol retailers (on and off licence), and engagement with the alcohol retail trade at a senior level.
- The initial meeting is on 6\(^{th}\) February with inception scheduled for June 2019.

**Encouraging greater use of the town between 5pm and 9pm**
- This continues to focus on the Summer Live event which successfully generates a busy town square through six weeks of the summer – currently in the final planning stages for 2019.

**Arts & Museum**
Arts events

- Planning and programming for the 9th Arts by the Sea festival in September 2019 is underway; the central theme will be around mental health ‘Mind Matter’.
  (An evaluation report for the 2018 festival is available but needs to be WeTransferred as it’s full of images and really big).
- Arts by the Sea is working in consortium with Inside Out and b-side festivals on the Dorset Festivals Signature Events project, https://dorsetmoon.com/
  This is aimed at promoting Cultural Tourism and will result in a tour of Luke Jerram’s Museum of the Moon https://my-moon.org/ In June/July 2019.
- The Moon will come to Central Gardens from 28th – 30th June 2019.
- The project also involves a CPD programme for artists and a selection of new commissions.
- Bournemouth Borough Council and the Arts by the Sea festival are partners in an application to the Arts Council England’s new Youth Performance Partnerships Fund. The application is being led by Soundstorm Music Development Agency and Activate Performing Arts who have bid for £1M for a 3-year pan-Dorset project to create an outstanding new youth-led theatre and performance producing programme aimed at transforming the cultural education map of Dorset. A decision on the application is expected on the 8th March.

Cultural Enquiry

- The Cultural Enquiry was launched on the 24th January and will be undertaken by Tom Fleming Consultancy (http://tfconsultancy.co.uk/index.php) for a consortium of partners (Borough of Poole, Bournemouth Borough Council, Christchurch Borough Council, Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership, Arts University Bournemouth, Bournemouth University, Lighthouse Poole, Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, Arts Council England). It will be completed by October 2019.
  It aims to develop opportunities for arts and culture in the conurbation by: confirming current strengths and developments, articulating aspirations, identifying the role of culture in identity, community and business, defining a framework for investment over 10 – 15 years.

Russell Cotes Art Gallery & Museum
• The current exhibition *China: Through the Lens of John Thompson 1898-1872* has been well received, attracting good numbers of visitors through the early part of thy winter.

• A January weekday ‘buy one get one free’ ticket offer has been trialled on and initial indications suggest this has been a real success

• The Museum has received £115,500 for its Reinterpretation and Reconnecting Project, from the DCMS / Wolfson Museums and Galleries Improvement fund.

• This vital programme of improvement will conserve and redisplay three rooms in the historic house, showcasing the best of the museum’s Japanese and world cultures collections.

• Expertise from national museums and input from volunteers from throughout our multicultural area will help create an appropriately unique response for this extraordinary museum.

• The Heritage Lottery funded project to have an in depth look at the future governance options for the Museum is well underway. Combined with a detailed business plan this is due to report back to the Management committee at the end of March.
GROUP MEMBERS: Councillor Philip Stanley-Watts - Chairman; Councillor Jackie Edwards - Vice-Chairman; Councillors Stephen Bartlett, John Trickett and Michael Weinhonig.

FROM BORNEOUTH BOROUGH COUNCIL:
Anthony Kirby    Engineering and Major Contracts Manager
Zak Bourn              Flood and Coastal Engineer

FROM WESSEX WATER:
Vicky Farwig          Flood Risk Coordinator (Asset Strategy)
Mark Bailey           Sewerage Manager (South), Wessex Water

FROM ENVIRONMENT AGENCY
Matt Akers Partnership and Strategic Overview Team Leader, Dorset and Wiltshire

NOTES ON ATTENDANCE:
The meeting commenced at 4.00pm
The meeting closed at 5.13pm

SECTION I - BUSINESS RECOMMENDED TO THE COUNCIL

No items

SECTION II - BUSINESS DECIDED UNDER DELEGATED POWER

1. APOLOGIES

There were no apologies for this meeting

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

There were no substitute members for this meeting

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of any disclosable pecuniary interests or other interests for this meeting.

4. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES AND ACTION SHEET

DECISION MADE:
1. The minutes of the meeting held on 31 October 2018 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

It was explained to the Group that the Environment and Economy Panel had highlighted a bullet point at clause 31 of the minutes that read ‘Millhams Community Recycling Centre had received £2.3million in funding through Dorset Waste Partnership’ for clarity this should have read ‘Millhams had utilized grant funding to deliver improvements at the site’.

2. The Flood Advisory Group (FAG) considered and noted the action sheet. It was determined that the final action ‘to receive an update on the Flood Risk Management Strategy final report’ would be covered under item 9 - Review of the Flood Risk Management Strategy.

5. PUBLIC ISSUES

No deputations or petitions were submitted for FAG to consider.

The Group received a public question from Susan Chapman. The question asked how the Flood Advisory Group could communicate, in a user-friendly way, practical solutions for resolving local flooding and for assisting the wider community in improving the resilience and protection of their properties. A full copy of the question and the Chairman’s response can be found at the following link:

The Group explained the meeting was the last of the Flood Advisory Group in lieu of the creation of the new authority. FAG sought to recommend a flood advisory group or similar body to the new authority. The Environment and Economy Panel had agreed to include a flood advisory group in their Overview and Scrutiny Headline Report, which would highlight the Panels priorities to the new authority on the 6th March. The Group also felt that FAG should be included in the ‘long list’ being compiled by the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Panel for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council (BCP Council).

DECISION MADE:

FAG recommended that the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Panel consider a flood advisory group or similar body for inclusion in the long list of priorities being developed for BCP Council.

6. UPDATE ON LOCAL FLOODING ISSUES

The Engineering and Major Contracts Manager gave a verbal update on local flooding issues that had occurred since the last meeting of the Group. The Group were informed that the winter period had been dry, but a wet spring period was anticipated. Since the last meeting of the Group there had seen no significant storm events in the Bournemouth area, however there had been some minor highway flooding. Additionally, it was highlighted that a concerted
effort to target areas at risk of flooding due to a build-up of leaves had been successful and had provided a good example of how the authority was developing its local knowledge and adapting.

The Group received an update on the Bourne Stream Culvert, where an actuated penstock had been installed. They also received an update on the Beach Management Project, which was a 15-year project coming to the end of its forth year. The project had seen the replacement of half of the groyne field, with work underway in Southbourne. The Group were informed that in mid-November the Bourne Stream had run green. Following investigation, it was found that a drain testing dye had entered the water. This cleared-up within the hour. This was raised at the meeting to emphasise the importance of members of the public reporting anything unusual. This ensures the Council can investigate any issues and perform the necessary follow up actions.

A number of questions were raised and discussed at the meeting, the main points were as follows;

- The value of a wooden groyne over a quarry stone. It was explained that the reasons were available in the business case and included the benefit of being able to recycle the original groyne timber which had environmental, cost and time benefits.
- Members of the public can contact the team through the flooding email address available on the Council’s website or through the contact centre.
- The business plan for the next ten years of the Beach Management Plan would be a Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council plan.
- The chairman highlighted the importance of natural protection and was particularly impressed by a project to introduce goats to help manage the dense vegetation on the cliffs.
- A member thanked the team for all their hard work, particularly their prompt response to blocked drains that had been reported.

**DECISION MADE:**

The Group considered and agreed to note the update.

**7. WESSEX WATER**

The Group received an update from Wessex Water, who highlighted their work with the Council on the Bourne Stream Culvert and the actuated penstock. They were working in collaboration with the Council to install a trash-screen that would ensure the penstock was a resilient asset into the future. They also gave an update on the Drainage and Waste Water Management Plans highlighting that work would be undertaken with the Lead Local Flood Authority to establish a long-term strategy for future investment in drainage and waste water systems.

**8. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY**

The Environment Agency (EA) gave an update on the Beach Management Project, they had been supporting the development of a business case. Additionally, they had met with Poole to discuss Surface Water Flood Risk and
had made a commitment to explore opportunities for developing surface water flood risk schemes. Members discussed surface water flooding and the cumulative impact of permitted developments, particularly unregulated back-gardens. It was highlighted that this was for the planning authority to consider through their local flood risk strategy and associated policies, which could inform local planning policy. It was also highlighted that some London Boroughs had made the decision to remove the permitted development of driveways and patios with flood risk in mind.

**DECISION MADE:**

The Chairman agreed to raise the cumulative impact of permitted developments, particularly the unregulated development of back-gardens, at the next meeting of the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel. The Chairman would recommend the subject for inclusion in the Environment and Economy Panels Headline Report, which would identify the Panels priorities to the Shadow Authority.

The Chairman thanked the Environment Agency and Wessex Water for their hard work.

9. **REVIEW OF THE FLOOD RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY**

The Engineering and Major Contracts Manager informed the Group that over the upcoming weeks the non-statutory consultation on the Flood Risk Management Strategy would be undertaken. It was highlighted that public engagement was important and any additional comments on how to simplify engagement with the website would also be welcome. The Group were informed that since the beginning of the consultation there had been no significant changes to the strategy however it would be adapted to align with the Wessex Regional Strategy and its core principles. Once the strategy was complete it would be used along with similar strategies from Christchurch and Poole to inform a new strategy to be adopted by the new authority.

The Group endorsed the value of FAG as a forum that gives residents a voice and expressed their support for a listening committee.

**DECISION MADE:**

A motion was put forward to endorse FAG and a listening committee at the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel. It was also highlighted that this endorsement could go to the Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Panel meeting.

10. **WESSEX REGIONAL FLOOD AND COASTAL COMMITTEE**

The Group were given an update on the Wessex Regional Flood and Coastal Committee (WRFCC) meeting that took place on Tuesday 8th January. It was highlighted to the Group that Councillor David Kelsey was the elected member representing Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Council at the meeting. The meeting was also attended by the Poole Head of Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk
Management who was also a member of the Southern Coastal Group. The key messages from the WRFCC Chair were that the Flooding and Coastal Erosion Risk Management sector needed to reach its target of 300k households protected by the end of the year and that there was uncertainty around the funding of the next spending review 6-year programme from 2020/21.

- A member said flood risk was likely to increase. It was highlighted that the challenge was managing flood risk - understanding the scale of the problem and taking the opportunity to ensure developments include measures to deal with the risk of flooding. It also involved recognising where grant support could be utilized.
- The impact of housing targets. It was highlighted that flood risk is identified in local plans as part of the planning process - it was considered that if targets weren’t achievable local plans could be adapted. It was emphasised that planning targets weren’t fixed and that Sustainable Drainage Systems (SuDs) were addressed during the planning process and worked effectively.

DECISION MADE:

The Group considered and noted the Wessex Regional Flood and Coastal Committee update.

Past and present members of the Flood Advisory Group, officers, and partners at Wessex Water and the Environment Agency were thanked for their continued engagement and contributions.

12. Any other business

No other business was discussed at the meeting.

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## Executive summary

This report provides a summary of the scrutiny priorities, issues being monitored and the ongoing reviews of this Overview and Scrutiny Panel. Members of the Panel are asked to consider the report, amend it as appropriate and approve it for consideration by the BCP Shadow Overview and Scrutiny (O&S) Committee.

This information has been compiled for passing to the BCP Shadow O&S Committee, which will consider a report of this nature from all scrutiny bodies in preceding authorities. The purpose of this exercise is to ensure that there is a mechanism for the overview and scrutiny function in the new...
BCP Council to be informed of work within previous councils, avoid duplication, ensure areas of current monitoring are not overlooked and new priorities can be established in an informed way taking account of previous scrutiny activity in the BCP area.

The Shadow O&S Committee will consider a report collating this information in March 2019, with a view to making recommendations to the new BCP Authority Overview and Scrutiny function.

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<td>Reasons for recommendations</td>
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**Background detail**

1. At its meeting in September 2018, the Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole (BCP) Shadow Overview and Scrutiny Committee discussed and agreed that it could add value by co-ordinating information on current scrutiny priorities within the BCP area, for passing to the BCP Council upon its establishment in April 2019. The Shadow O&S Committee agreed to invite reports from all O&S bodies of the three preceding councils of Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole, in order to provide opportunity for these O&S bodies to set out current work priorities and recent work undertaken. In this way, the Shadow O&S Committee will act as a conduit for the passing of information to the new BCP O&S function which will be able to use this information to inform its work planning.

2. All reports provided by preceding authority scrutiny bodies will be considered by the Shadow O&S Committee on 6 March 2019. The Shadow O&S Committee will be asked to take account of these reports and make recommendations to the BCP O&S function. It will be for members of the new BCP O&S function, when known, to ultimately determine the scrutiny priorities of the BCP Council.
Consultation

3. All O&S Chairman of preceding authorities have been provided with a template to be populated with assistance from Officers. The relevant report for the Environment and Economy O&S Panel is appended for further comment and approval by members at this meeting.

Options

4. Members are asked to consider, amend and agree the report attached for consideration by the Shadow O&S Committee on 6 March 2019.
5. O&S bodies are not obliged to provide a report to the Shadow O&S Committee. This option will result in members of the new BCP scrutiny function being unable to take account of the priorities of this panel when planning future work.

Summary of financial/resource implications
BCP Council O&S resources can be most effectively targeted if the function is provided with a full outline of current scrutiny priorities across the BCP area.

Summary of legal implications
N/A

Summary of human resources implications
N/A

Summary of environmental impact
N/A

Summary of equalities and diversity impact
N/A

Summary of risk assessment
Any current areas of significant concern or identified risks, in the view of preceding authority scrutiny bodies, may not be known by the new BCP authority scrutiny function if the information is not passed to the authority using this mechanism.

Background papers
None
Appendices
Appendix 1 – Environment and Economy O&S Panel Headline Report to the Shadow Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Headline Report to the Shadow Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Panel/Committee: Environment and Economy

Committee/Panel’s main terms of reference: The Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel covers BH Live; Economic Development; Parks and Open Spaces in relation to tourism and environmental issues including river bank erosion, flooding and land contamination; sport and recreation; Tourism; Environmental Sustainability; Planning and Transport and Technical Services.

Note: The Planning Policy Steering Group currently covers planning scrutiny.

Main topics recently considered:

- Transport Options
- East Cliff Lifts
- A338
- Tuckton and Iford Roundabout
- Green Credentials Report
- Wallisdown Road
- Sea Front Operations

Issues being monitored:

- East Cliff Lifts
- Millhams Recycling Centre
- Flood Advisory Group
- Christmas Trees
- Coastal Protection

Suggested areas for future scrutiny:

- The BCP Local Transport Plan
- Transforming Cities and Smart Cities
- Car Park Spaces
- Playground Strategy
- Local Plan
- Supplementary Planning Documents
- BCP Events Review Strategy
- BCP Green Credentials
- Destination (Tourism) Strategy and Branding
- Sea Front Capital Projects
- BCP Fleet Management
- BCP Waste Strategy
- Town Centre Vision
- Pedestrianised schemes
- Empty Shops

**Suggested areas for Member training:**

- General practical and policy session for each service unit
- Media Training
# Playground Improvement Priorities 2019/21

**Meeting date**
Tuesday 19th February 2019

**Cabinet Portfolio**
Housing (inc. parks) – Councillor Robert Lawton

**Corporate Lead**
Bill Cotton, Executive Director – Environment and Economy

**Service Director**
Michael Rowland, Head of Parks Development

**Status**
Public

**Classification**
For Information

**Key Decision**
No

**Impacts on Key Policy Framework**
No

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**Executive summary**
This report gives an update on work to progress public playground improvements across Bournemouth in 2019/21. This interim programme will guide improvements over the coming 12-18 months, aiming to address the areas of most need across the borough.

**Recommendations**
That the Panel support the five priority areas for improvement, which have been determined through an assessment of quality quantity and accessibility. These are Townsend, Strouden, Shelley Park, Churchill Gardens and Iford. Additionally, should grants or funds be available, further sites for consideration would be Kings Park East, Knyveton Gardens, Winton Library Gardens and Long Road.
A new town centre playground will be delivered as part of the Winter Gardens development.

| Reasons for recommendations | The Council owns, manages and maintains 54 public playgrounds across Bournemouth Borough. As the population grows and changes the need for public playgrounds changes too. Each playground we develop has a limited useful lifespan, requiring replacement and rejuvenation every 15-20 years. As populations change the need across the borough alters, creating gaps in provision that require filling. Over time the design and thinking around play spaces has changed, meaning that some spaces require a change of approach to ensure that they remain popular and relevant to children and families. Having accessible, inclusive and adventurous play spaces is important for children to develop social and physical skills. Safe and exciting public play spaces are particularly important for families with no access to a garden at home.

As Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole develop as a new authority, new strategies and plans around public space and its associated facilities will need to be developed. This is an interim plan to ensure that those areas of greatest need in Bournemouth are provided with quality play facilities in line with the ambitions of the Bournemouth Playground Strategy adopted in 2009. |

Background detail

1. In 2007 Bournemouth Borough Council adopted a Green Space Strategy that aimed to ensure that every neighbourhood had access to a good park, including a playground, ideally with access to toilets and a cafe.

2. In 2009 the Council adopted a Playground Strategy, detailing changes to play provision across the borough. The focus of the strategy was based on consolidating play facilities into larger parks. This meant that more money would be spent on bigger and better playgrounds, with more play value, as opposed to numerous small facilities where much of the money would be spent on fencing and safety surfacing.
The Green Space Strategy and Playground Strategy have paved the way for new playgrounds in areas with little or no provision, such as Queens Park and Central Gardens; it has improved toilet, café and changing provision at Redhill Park, Queens Park and Boscombe Chine; it has improved quality of provision at Kinson Common, Kings Park, Setley Gardens, Alum Chine and Slades Farm; whilst accessible provision has become something that we aim to design into all parks, Winton Recreation Ground has achieved the national inclusive playground standard (PiPA).

There is a continuous need to invest in play facilities to address gaps in provision, update facilities and ensure standards meet the current norms for safety and inclusivity. With a total of 54 playgrounds the Council should be aiming to refurbish, replace or create 3 playgrounds each year. This means that every playground should get refreshed every 15 years.

In-between a major refresh every playground will require annual maintenance, resulting from normal wear and tear, misuse or vandalism. These works are paid for through the Parks revenue budget.

Major overhauls and new playgrounds are paid for through a capital investment programme. The playground strategy aims to set out that programme based on available resources.

In 2019/20 the new BCP Council will be created to replace Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole Councils. Developing a strategy for open spaces, parks, nature reserves and playgrounds will be something that the new authority would be best placed to undertake.

In the short to medium term it is important that the development of playground facilities in Bournemouth continue to have some strategic investment direction.

Funds to upgrade or develop new playgrounds are available through Community Infrastructure Levy receipts, grants and donations.

Through consideration of existing condition surveys of playgrounds, an analysis of gaps in provision, and feedback from park users, the following sites have been considered as priorities for improvement. The table gives estimated costs for playground development, upgrades and improvements. Actual costs will vary from this:
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<td>Townsend</td>
<td>Gap in provision, no central park facility. Large playground required for all age ranges.</td>
<td>£200,000</td>
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<td>Churchill Gardens</td>
<td>Play equipment in urgent need of replacement, very well used site. Smaller playground to appeal to younger children - up to approx. 10 years.</td>
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<td>Shelley Park</td>
<td>Play equipment in urgent need of replacement, very well used site. More natural woodland feel playground.</td>
<td>£100,000</td>
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<td>Iford</td>
<td>Play equipment at the Rookery and Cranleigh Road requires replacement. A more suitable site for sustainable playground would be Iford Playing Fields, potential to explore café and toilets. Larger playground required for all ages.</td>
<td>£200,000</td>
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<td>Strouden</td>
<td>To consider one of the following sites for improvement and upgrade Bradpole Road, Strouden Woods or Mallard Road. Larger playground required for all ages.</td>
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<td>Long Road</td>
<td>Consolidate play facilities into central area. Smaller playground to appeal to younger children - up to approx. 10 years.</td>
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<td>Kings Park East</td>
<td>Play equipment worn - consider upgrade as part of major park improvement project, including access to café and toilets. Larger playground required for all ages.</td>
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<td>Knyveton Gardens</td>
<td>Seek external funds to upgrade play facilities for very young children to meet provision gap.</td>
<td>£75,000</td>
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<td>Winton Library Gardens</td>
<td>Seek external funds to upgrade play facilities for younger children to meet provision gap. Needs extensive landscaping to bring levels up on site.</td>
<td>£100,000</td>
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<td>Winter Gardens</td>
<td>New play facility proposed as part of development to meet provision gap.</td>
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<td>Tuckton Gardens</td>
<td>Improve existing playground include consideration of relocation closer to</td>
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11. Funds are not yet in place to deliver all of these proposals and will require a combination of resources to considered as mentioned in point 9.

12. This list is a priority list only, it does not guarantee any of the above will be delivered over the next 12 to 18 months, they are subject to various permissions, public consultation and funding constraints. Officers will use the list to prioritise efforts to allocate funds, apply for grants and deliver projects.

Consultation


Options

14. **Option 1:** For the panel to agree that the Parks Service prioritise play investment as above.

   **Option 2:** for the Panel to discuss and suggest alternative proposals.

Summary of finance and resourcing implications

15. There is no direct financial impact from this report. The plan will be to deliver projects within existing resources and seek funds from CIL or external grants where available.

Summary of legal implications

16. None.

Summary of human resources implications

17. None. Use of existing staff resources.

Summary of environmental impact
18 None. The environmental impact of individual projects will be considered on a case by case basis.

**Summary of equalities and diversity impact**

19 The delivery of the programme is to ensure equal access to play for children and families across the borough. Each project will aim to provide inclusive opportunities for children.

**Summary of risk assessment**

20 None. The risk of individual projects will be considered on a case by case basis

**Background papers**

- Playground Strategy 2009

**Appendices**

None.