MEETING DECISION SESSION - CABINET MEMBER

FOR CRIME AND COMMUNITY SAFETY

DATE 3 APRIL 2012

PRESENT COUNCILLOR FRASER (CABINET

MEMBER)

32. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

At this point in the meeting the Cabinet Member was invited to declare any personal or prejudicial interests that he might have had in the business on the agenda.

The Cabinet Member declared no interests.

33. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the last Crime and

Community Safety Decision Session held on 6 March 2012 be approved and signed by the

Cabinet Member as a correct record.

34. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - DECISION SESSION

It was reported that there had been no registrations to speak under the Council's Public Participation Scheme.

35. DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACE ORDERS

The Cabinet Member received a report which outlined the current landscape of Designated Public Place Orders (DPPO) and put forward proposals to consult on a simplification of the structure to ease enforcement and reduce displacement of anti social drinking behaviour.

Officers informed the Cabinet Member that methods that had been used by the Police to record of anti social behaviour (ASB) made it difficult to identify what ASB could be attributed to alcohol. They suggested that Option 4, to consult on a single DPPO covering the whole Unitary Authority, was the most appropriate approach to simplify the structure. As they felt that it was better to consult in as wide an area as possible, to include all the relevant communities affected.

The Cabinet Member felt that Option 3, to consult on a single DPPO within the boundary of the Outer Ring Road, maintain those existing outside the outer ring road and create additional orders to address problems as they arise, could be more justifiable because it would be consistent and would limit displacement.

He mentioned to Officers that the consultation should be clear about what a DPPO was not, and that all options proposed in the Officer's report should be presented. He suggested that the Council's Communications Team could also be involved in promoting the consultation, in order to achieve more public awareness.

RESOLVED: (i) That the report be noted.

(ii) That Option 3 to consult on a single DPPO within the boundary of the Outer Ring Road, maintain those existing outside the outer ring road and create additional orders to address problems as they arise be approved.

REASON: To ensure that the Council and the

police can effectively tackle the problems associated with anti-social behaviour

and street drinking.

Councillor S Fraser, Cabinet Member [The meeting started at 4.30 pm and finished at 4.43 pm].