Flintshire County Council – Decisions taken by the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee on Tuesday, 19 September 2017

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A1	Declarations of Interest (Including Whipping Declarations)	There were no declarations of interest.
A2	Minutes	That the minutes be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
A3	Planning Enforcement Policy and Approach	That the revised Planning Enforcement Policy be approved for consultation subject to Cabinet taking consideration of the comments made by the Committee.
A4	Consultation outcomes to the proposed conditions of the Draft Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Order (PSPO)	(a) That following the period of consultation, the Environment Overview & Scrutiny Committee recommends the making of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) to cover dog control and dog fouling in Flintshire with the following conditions to Cabinet for final determination. The PSPO will require a person in charge of a dog to: (i) Remove their dogs' waste from all public places within Flintshire. (ii) Prohibit taking, or permitting the dog to enter or remain in - All areas within school grounds, - The playing areas of formal recreational areas including but not exclusively bowling greens and tennis courts - Fenced enclosed children's play areas. (iii) Keep their dogs on a lead within a Cemetery. (iv) Have means on their person, at all times, appropriate means to pick up their dogs' waste from all public places in Flintshire. (v) Put their dog on a lead, when directed by an authorised officer, if the dog is loose and causing a nuisance or annoyance to any other person, bird or animal. The removal of the proposal of dogs being excluded from the playing areas of marked sports pitches in response to a lack of alternative areas for dogs to be exercised nearby at the current time. Allowing for a period of further consultation for Town and Community Councils to consult locally on marked sports pitches in their areas; and (b) To note for information, but subject to final Cabinet determination, the agreed Public Space Protection Order covering dog control and dog fouling commences on 20 October 2017, following a Notice period and publicity of the upcoming Order.

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A5	Council Plan 2017-23	That the Committee supports the targets and milestones in the Measures and Milestones document of the Council (Improvement) Plan 2017-23 and confirms there are no issues to be brought to the attention of Cabinet prior to adoption by the County Council for final publication.
A6	Revised Environmental Enforcement and Car Parking Arrangements	(a) That the Committee supports the procurement of a single Business Partner on a short-term 2 year contract (with an option to extend based on performance) to undertake the enforcement of low level environmental crime, dog control and car parking offences on behalf of the Council'; and
		(b) That the Committee recommends Option 1 to Cabinet for side waste enforcement.
A7	Update on the Council's Highway Speed Limit Review	(a) That the progress made on the Speed Limit Review and the legal process required to enable the delivery of a single consolidated Order be noted; and
		(b) That the outcome of the assessments of Member requests for individual speed limit amendments, which have been considered against the speed limit guidance produced by the DfET, be noted.
A8	Review of the Winter Maintenance Policy	(a) That the Committee recommends approval of the revised Winter Maintenance Policy (2017-19) - Appendix 1 and the procedures contained therein for delivering the winter maintenance service; and
		(b) That the Committee notes the details of the county's response to other adverse weather events and recommends approval of the new Sand Bag Distribution Policy - Appendix 2.
A9	Forward Work Programme	(a) That the Forward Work Programme be amended; and
		(b) That the Facilitator, in consultation with the Chair of the Committee, be authorised to vary the Forward Work Programme between meetings, as the need arises.