

02 July 2019 at 7.00 pm

Conference Room, Argyle Road, Sevenoaks



Cleaner & Greener Advisory Committee

TABLED PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

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8. Role of the Advisory Committee and Key Challenges	(Pages 1 - 14)	
9. Resources and Waste Strategy for England - Government Policy Paper	(Pages 15 - 16)	Richard Wilson Tel: 01732 227262

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Cleaner and Greener Advisory Committee

Responsibilities and Challenges July 2019

Richard Wilson - Chief Officer Environmental and Operational Services

Direct Services

Head of Direct Services: Ian Finch

Areas of Responsibility

- Waste and Recycling Collections
- Street Cleaning
- Fly Tipping
- Abandoned Vehicles
- Trade Waste Collection
- Cesspool Emptying
- Vehicle Maintenance
- MOT and Taxi Testing
- Public Conveniences
- Pest Control
- Parks and Recreation Areas
- Countryside Ranger Service
- Grounds Maintenance
- Environmental Enforcement
- Commons
- Fleet Management
- Dunbrik Depot
- Emergencies
- Markets

Direct Services

Head of Direct Services: Ian Finch



Issues and Future Challenges

- Trading Accounts – Annual Turnover of £7.5m
- Recycling and Composting Targets
- Fly Tipping Enforcement and Clearance
- Resources and Waste Strategy for England Implications
- Greensands Way HLF Project
- Refuse Round Review (New Housing Developments)
- Succession Planning – Ageing Workforce
- National Shortage of HGV Drivers
- Bradbourne Lakes Improvements
- Ash Die Back Disease (Chalara).

CCTV

Head of Direct Services: Ian Finch

CCTV Manager: Sharon Wright

Issues and Future Challenges

- Shared Management Arrangement with Tunbridge Wells BC and T&MBC
- Monitoring of 129 Cameras
- Shared Control Room Opportunities
- Shop Safe and Pub Watch
- Out of Hours Contact Service for SDC and T&MBC
- Equipment Maintenance
- Two Additional MSCP's in Sevenoaks (39 Cameras)
- Managing/Reducing Transmission Costs.

Parking Services

Parking Services Manager: John Strachan

Areas of Responsibility

- Public Car Parks
- Residents Parking Schemes
- On and Off Street Parking Management/Enforcement
- Off Street Parking Management for Tandridge DC

Issues and Future Challenges

- Parking Review in Sevenoaks Following Completion of MSCP's
- Annual Review of Parking Charges/Management
- Improving Car Park Maintenance
- Map Based Parking Orders
- Safer Schools Campaign
- On Street Parking Management for Tandridge DC.

Environmental Health

Environmental Health Partnership Manager: Annie Sargent

Areas of Responsibility

- Shared Service with Dartford Borough Council
- Food Safety and Hygiene
- Health and Safety at Work
- Nuisance (Noise, Odour, Dust, Drainage, Pests)
- Animal Welfare and Licensing
- Registration and Licensing of Other Premises
- Private Water Supplies
- Air Quality
- Contaminated Land
- Out of Hours Service

Environmental Health

Environmental Health Partnership Manager: Annie Sargent



Issues and Future Challenges

- Stray Dogs
- Air Quality Management and Monitoring
- Food Standards Agency Audit
- Volume of Service Requests
- Number of New Registered Food Premises
- New Animal Welfare Licensing Regime

Licensing

Head of Licensing Partnership: Sharon Bamborough

Areas of Responsibility

- Licensing Partnership with Maidstone BC, Tunbridge Wells BC and LB of Bexley
- Taxi Licensing – Hackney Carriages and Private Hire (Driver and Vehicles Separately Licensed)
- Sale of Alcohol, Provision of Regulated Entertainment and Late Night Refreshment (Pubs, Nightclubs, Restaurants, Cinema, Theatre, Music Festivals etc) – Includes Permanent and Temporary Licences.
- Gambling Premises – (Betting Shops, Bingo Halls, Tracks, Amusement Arcades but NOT Online Gambling)
- Sex Establishments – (Sex Shop, Sex Cinemas and Sex Encounter Premises)
- Charity Collections
- Animal Welfare Licensing (Boarding of Dogs/Cats and Breeding of Dogs; Selling Pets; Riding Establishments etc.
- Scrap Metal Dealers
- Licensing Policies
- Licensing Hearings

Licensing

Head of Licensing Partnership: Sharon Bamborough

Issues and Future Challenges

- Balancing the Needs of Four Authorities With Similar Timetables on Fee Reviews, Policy Reviews and Performance Monitoring
- Exploring the Possibilities of Other New Partners Joining/Expanding the Partnership
- Review of Procedures and Practises
- Changes in Legislation.

Emergency Planning and Property Services

Emergency Planning and Property Service Manager: Alex Dawson



Areas of Responsibility

- Emergency Planning
- Facilities Management
- Scanning
- Post Room
- Safety Advisory Groups

Issues and Future Challenges

- Updating and Testing Major Incident Plan in the Result of a Civil Emergency
- Introduction of Neo-post system
- Extensive Scanning Programme
- New Office Cleaning Contract
- Issues Arising From a 'No-Deal' Brexit.

Kent Resource Partnership (KRP)

KRP Manager: Paldeep Bhatti



Areas of Responsibility

- Large Partnership – All 12 Kent Districts and County Council
- Recognising Waste as a Resource
- Nationally Regarded Partnership
- Officers Advisory Group and Members Board

Kent Resource Partnership (KRP)

KRP Manager: Paldeep Bhatti



Issues and Future Challenges

- National Recycling Targets and Implications of Not Meeting
- Recyclate Quality
- Diversion from Landfill
- Food Waste
- Communication Campaigns
- West Kent Project
- Street Scene
- Health and Safety
- Environmental enforcement including a dedicated Intelligence Officer for Kent

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PLASTIC FREE SEVENOAKS PLEDGE



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In response to the global problem of plastic pollution, Sevenoaks Town Council and Sevenoaks Youth Council have committed to phasing out single-use plastic across all its facilities. This also means it strongly encourages groups and organisations to find alternatives to single-use plastic when using Town Council venues.



What's the problem?

Plastic pollution is a global challenge. Every year the world produces millions of tonnes of plastic, of which half is estimated to be single use. Much discarded plastic ends up in rivers, waterways and oceans, finally entering the food chain.

What does 'single use plastic' mean?

Single use plastic (SUP) is plastic that is used once before being discarded. The most common SUP items are disposable water bottles, plastic bags, plastic straws, takeaway coffee cups and other plastic serve ware (e.g. food trays, plastic cutlery and individual sauce sachets).

What could be used instead?

Many SUP items can easily be replaced by reusable alternatives such as water glasses or bottles, crockery and metal cutlery. Event attendees can be encouraged to bring their own reusable bags, water bottles and coffee cups. Paper straws can replace plastic ones.

Can tap water be provided in Sevenoaks?

In 2019 Sevenoaks Town Partnership launched the local Refill Scheme where local businesses who are willing to fill up water bottles will be promoted. Reducing the need to purchase plastic water bottles.

Plastic glasses etc for Events

We recognise that crowded events such as fetes, parties etc real glasses can provide a safety hazard. In these circumstances the Town Council encourages the use of sturdy plastic cups that can be cleaned and reused and ultimately can be recycled.

What single use alternatives are acceptable?

Where single-use items are unavoidable, we encourage the public to provide genuinely compostable alternatives, and take responsibility for their proper disposal (e.g. separating them from other waste and disposing of them in appropriate waste bins to ensure proper break down). It should be noted that even compostable single use items have implications for the environment and therefore should be limited wherever possible.

What is Sevenoaks Town Council doing to address the matter locally?

The Town Council is

- Working with the Sevenoaks Town Partnership to launch the Refill Campaign to reduce the need for plastic water bottles.
- Across its facilities it will commit to reducing the use of single use plastic.
- Raising awareness of the issue to users of its facilities.
- Launching an anti-litter campaign to encourage more recycling and less litter.

Sign up

On behalf of

(business/organisation), I agree that we will take the following steps to reduce our use of single-use plastic. By doing this, we will play our part in eliminating unsustainable plastic use from Sevenoaks while ensuring a healthier environment.

We,

(business/organisation), pledge to do the following:

- Separate waste into recyclables and non-recyclables by (date)
- Ban / phase out single-use plastic bags by (date)
- Ban / phase out single-use plastic straws by (date)
- Ban / phase out single-use plastic cups and lids by (date)
- Ban / phase out single-use plates and cutlery by (date)
- Ban / phase out single-use plastic bottles by (date)

*Please tick the pledge(s) you'd like to undertake and choose a realistic target date. Whether you commit to all or one, every action is a step in the right direction. If your business has already completed an action in the past, please tick the box and provide the date of completion.

Upon achieving your pledges, we will promote your logo on our social media platforms and send you a Plastic Free Sevenoaks sticker to display proudly in your shop/office. Please send this completed form and any updates to council@sevenoakstown.gov.uk