

# CITY AND COUNTY OF SWANSEA

## MINUTES OF THE DEVELOPMENT CABINET ADVISORY COMMITTEE

HELD AT COMMITTEE ROOM 3A, GUILDHALL, SWANSEA ON  
WEDNESDAY, 20 JANUARY 2016 AT 3.00 PM

**PRESENT:** Councillor P Downing (Chair) Presided

**Councillor(s)**

C Anderson

P Lloyd

**Councillor(s)**

J C Bayliss

P M Matthews

**Councillor(s)**

D W Cole

T M White

**Officer(s)**

Lynda Anthony – Divisional Officer Licensing, Food & Safety

Allison Lowe – Democratic Services Officer

David Picken – Divisional Officer Trading Standards

33 **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors P B Smith and C Thomas.

34 **DISCLOSURES OF PERSONAL AND PREJUDICIAL INTERESTS.**

In accordance with the Code of Conduct adopted by the City & County of Swansea, no interests were declared.

35 **MINUTES.**

**RESOLVED** that the minutes of the Development Cabinet Advisory Committee held on 16 December 2015 be approved and signed as a correct record.

36 **UPDATE ON CUMULATIVE IMPACT POLICY (PRESENTATION).**

The Divisional Officer Licensing, Food and Safety provided an update on the review of the Cumulative Impact Policy (CIP) contained within the Council's Licensing Policy for the Committee by way of a powerpoint presentation.

Certain exemptions from CIP were proposed and if agreed would be inserted at paragraph 6.22 of the current Cumulative Impact Policy. The effects of the proposed changes would be included in paragraph 6.23.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The presentation is noted;
2. The Divisional Officer Licensing, Food and Safety amend the CIP and circulate to members for comment.

37 **UPDATE REPORT FROM DAVE PICKEN, DIVISIONAL OFFICER-TRADING STANDARDS (VERBAL).**

The Divisional Officer Trading Standards provided an update related to the supply of Novel Psychoactive Substances (NPS) in Swansea.

He outlined the background, action taken and result of a particular case that had involved NPS in a particular area of Swansea.

He also outlined information in relation to the Psychoactive Substances Bill that had been introduced in the House of Lords on May 2015. Enactment would likely be sometime in Spring 2016. This would affect the use of existing consumer protection legislation (such as GPSR, CLP and CPR's) to deal with NPS issues, which will become redundant assuming the new Bill is enacted. However, as the Bill will not include an offence for NPS possession, existing ASB measures may still be employed.

A report would be prepared by the Strategic Manager Community Safety in relation to the alternative ways of working as PSPO's would no longer be a Trading Standards model of delivery.

The Chair thanked the Divisional Officer Trading Standards for all the work that he had undertaken in relation to the case and for updating the Committee periodically.

**RESOLVED** that:

1. The update is noted;
2. The Committee receive a report at the next meeting from the Strategic Manager Community Safety regarding the future use of PSPO's.

38 **UPDATES FROM CHAIR (VERBAL).**

The Chair provided a verbal update on the Open Space Strategy Sub Group that had met on 13 January 2016. The Planning Policy Team had undertaken an up to date assessment of open space provision across the County, which would be utilised to develop the Open Space Strategy.

The Sub Group would meet again in February / March 2016.

**RESOLVED** that the update is noted.

39 **WORKPLAN.**

**RESOLVED** that the Committee scheduled for 17 February 2016 receive reports / updates on the following issues:

- Cumulative Impact Policy (final update);
- Public Space Protection Orders.

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Items for future meetings:

- Feedback on Regional District Shopping Centres – second visit to Morriston
- Open Space Strategy (update from Sub Group)

The meeting ended at 3.54 pm

**CHAIR**