

Report to the Council

Committee: Cabinet

Date: 22 February 2011

Subject: Safer and Greener Portfolio

Item: 6(j)

Portfolio Holder: Councillor Penny Smith

Recommending:

That the report of the Safer and Greener Portfolio Holder be noted

Licensed premises etc

At Council in December I made reference to concerns around violence associated with licensed premises in the District and that the Safer Communities Team would be looking closely into this problem. As part of that process, it has been decided that the next Safer Communities Scrutiny Panel, on the 8th of March at 7.30pm, will be held in Loughton, at St Mary's Church, where the public will be able to come along and discuss the issue with the Police and Council officers. If Members have any particular issues they would like to see discussed please could they let the Safer Communities Team know.

Reality Roadshows

Two more "Reality Roadshows" have been provided in local schools in February, at Davenant and Roding Valley Schools. These roadshows provide a wealth of important information and guidance for 13 and 14 year olds around how to stay safe, recognise the dangers of drugs and alcohol and using the internet to name but a few.

Anti-social Behaviour Orders

Members will be aware that the Coalition Government has stated its intention to replace Anti-social Behaviour Orders. They have issued a consultation document with a return date of the 1st of May 2011. It is intended that the consultation be considered by the Safer, Cleaner, Greener Standing Scrutiny Panel at its meeting on the 7th of April with its views going to Overview & Scrutiny Committee on the 11th of April.