

SAFER HALTON POLICY AND PERFORMANCE BOARD

At a Special meeting of the Safer Halton Policy and Performance Board on Tuesday, 20 January 2009 at the Council Chamber, Town Hall, Runcorn

Present: Councillors Osborne (Chairman), Stockton (Vice-Chairman), M. Bradshaw, Lloyd Jones, Morley, Redhead, Rowan, Shepherd and Thompson

Apologies for Absence: Councillor M. Ratcliffe

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: A. Jones, M. Noone, H. Cockcroft, J. Downes, C. Halpin and A. Villiers

Also in attendance: None

ITEM DEALT WITH UNDER DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE BOARD

SAF32 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

Action

The Board considered:

- (1) whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Board during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- (2) whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it is likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information will be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

SAF33 CEMETERY PROVISION FOR 2015 AND BEYOND

The Board considered a report presenting a cost benefit analysis of the main options available to the Council to address the issue of the lack of new grave space available in the Council's three existing cemeteries post 2014, namely Halton, Runcorn and Widnes.

Members discussed the various options outlined and the implications of each and it was noted that Options 3 and 4 were the most popular by consensus.

RESOLVED: That a report be presented to the Council's Executive Board noting the comments made by Members on the above proposals.

Strategic Director
- Health and
Community

Meeting ended at 7.15 p.m.