

Executive Board – 3 December 2007

## **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM AREA COMMITTEES**

South East Area Committee – 5 November 2007

### **121. POLICE/STREET WARDEN/COMMUNITY SAFETY**

In the absence of a representative from Thames Valley Police, no Police issues were raised. The Chair explained that the Police had apologised to him for their absence prior to the meeting.

#### Neighbourhood Action Issues.

Malcolm Taylor presented the Street Wardens Update to the Committee.

Resolved to:-

- (1) Note that 2 new Wardens were to be recruited by the end of the year, however, the service would still be short-staffed;
- (2) RECOMMEND to Executive Board that steps be taken to ensure that the Street Wardens in the Rose Hill and Blackbird Leys areas were not be allowed to become under strength. These areas had a history of anti social behaviour that made the recruitment of Wardens especially important, and the Area Committee was keen to see that the service was returned to, and kept at, full strength.
- (3) Ask the Portfolio Holder to address the issue of Street Wardens as outlined above.

#### Response of Strategic Directors

Michael Lawrence, Strategic Director, Housing, Health and Community, has submitted a letter (appendix 1) written by the Chief Executive to Andrew Smith MP in response to concerns raised about the Street Warden Service in Rose Hill and setting out the current situation.

#### Response from the Safer City Portfolio Holder (Councillor Altaf-Khan)

None received.