

## **EXECUTIVE DECISION RECORD**

## **REF No 558/23**

| A1 Service Area            | Enforcement Service                        |
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| A2 Title                   | Anti-Social Behaviour Policy 2023-2028     |
| A3 Decision Taken By       | Deputy Leader                              |
| A4 Chief<br>Officer        | Please print name: Mark Rizk               |
|                            | Please sign name: Approval by email 170323 |
| A5 Leader / Cabinet Member | Please print name: Cllr B Peters           |
|                            | Please sign name: Approval by email 170323 |
| A6 Date of Decision        | 17 <sup>th</sup> March 2023                |

# Confidentiality

| A7 Is this Decision confidential by containing exempt information as described in Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972? | No          |   |
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| A7.1 If yes, please state relevant paragraph from Schedule 12A LGA 1972.   | Paragraph [ | ] |

# **Scrutiny**

**A8** Which Scrutiny Committee should this decision be submitted to? (Please tick as appropriate)

Scrutiny Community Regeneration Committee

Scrutiny Environment and Health and Well Being Committee Scrutiny Value for Money Council Services Committe

| <b>B1</b> What is the Decision? | To adopt the Anti-Social Behaviour Policy 2023-2028 |
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**B2** What are the reasons for the Decision?

The ASB Policy 2023-2028 sets out how East Staffordshire Borough Council will work to effectively manage and resolve reports of antisocial behaviour; building upon the excellent partnership work already operating across the Borough, and ensuring together that we continue efforts to reduce anti-social behaviour and provide every member of the community, with the highest possible standard of service.

The Home Office first published statutory guidance in July 2014; its aim was to enable the effective use of new powers to tackle anti-social behaviour that were introduced through the Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ('the 2014 Act'). These powers are local in nature, as those who work within, and for, local communities are best placed to understand what is driving the behaviour in question, the impact that it is having, and to determine the most appropriate response. The guidance is intended to assist the police, local authorities and other local agencies who exercise functions under the 2014 Act to respond to instances of anti-social behaviour in their local areas.

In 2015 East Staffordshire Borough Council adopted its policy in response to the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 and as the Home Office refreshed the Guidance in 2022 it is an opportune time to refresh the policy.

The policy aims to deliver a consistent response across East Staffordshire, improving service and protection to the public.

The policy aims to manage reports of anti-social behaviour effectively and improve the experience of victims and witnesses.

The Key changes to the policy are:

- The Community Safety Hub has been replaced by Harm Reduction Hub – name change. Officers generally attend if there are items of interest.
- ASBAG is replaced by ASB Partnership meetings with direct referral of incidents to Staffordshire Police. ASB briefing take

|   | place once a week to exchange information.  |
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|   | <ul> <li>More detail has been added to the<br/>following sections: Civil Injunction,<br/>Criminal Behaviour Order, Community<br/>Protection Notice, Public Space Protection<br/>Orders, Closure Powers, Dispersal Powers<br/>and the, Community Trigger.</li> </ul> |
|   | The policy will clearly lay out the commitment the Local Authority is making to work with our partners to tackle anti-social behaviour, thus keeping the public informed about what the Authority is doing to tackle anti-social behaviour.                         |
|   | The policy identifies how the Local Authority will work with its partners to ensure we are tackling anti-social behaviour effectively, and providing excellent service to victims and witnesses.  |
| <b>B3</b> What are the contributions to Corporate Priorities? | Environment and Health and Well Being   |
| <b>B4</b> What are the Human Rights considerations?           | There are no Human Rights issues arising from this decision.  |

# **Financial Implications**

| <b>B5</b> What are the financial | There are no financial issues arising from this decision. |
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| implications?                    | Anti-Social Behaviour is currently staffed                |
|                                  | through the Enforcement Team and Community                |
|                                  | and Civil Enforcement Officers.                           |
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| Revenue | 2023/24 | 2024/25 | 2025/26 |
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| The finance section has been approved by the following member of the Financial Management Unit: | Please print name: Anya Murray             |  |
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|   | Please sign name: Approval by email 130323 |  |
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# **Policy Framework**

| <b>B6</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's policy framework?         | Yes |
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| <b>B6.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)? | NA  |
| <b>B6.</b> 2 Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?                   | Yes |
| <b>B7</b> Is the Decision wholly in accordance with the Council's budget?                   | Yes |
| <b>B7.1</b> If No, does it fall within the urgency provisions (Part 3 of the Constitution)? | NA  |
| <b>B7.2</b> Has it got the appropriate approvals under those provisions?                    | Yes |

# **Equalities Implications**

- **B8** What are the Equalities implications: NA
- **B8.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):
- **B8.2** Negative (Threats):
- **B8.3** The subject of this decision is not a policy, strategy, function or service that is new or being revised. An equality impact assessment is not required.
- **B8.4** [The equality impact assessment identified the following actions to be carried out:]

#### Risk Assessment

- **B9** What are the Risk Assessment implications: NA
- **B9.1** Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):
- **B9.2** Negative (Threats):
- **B9.3** The risks do not need to be entered in the Risk Register. Any financial implications to mitigate against these risks are considered above.

#### **Legal Considerations**

- **B10** What are the Legal Considerations:
- **B10.1** These are contained within the body of the Report.

In addition, the Council has a duty under s17 Crime and Disorder Act 1998, to exercise its functions with due regard to the likely effect of the exercise of those functions on, and the need to, prevent crime and disorder.

By s6 of the Act, the Authority is required to have in place a strategy for reducing crime and disorder in its area.

This section has been approved by the following member of the Legal Team Please print name: Glen McCusker - Locum Solicitor

Please sign name: Approval by email 100323

## **Sustainability Implications**

B11.1 The proposal [would/would not] result in an overall positive effect in terms of sustainability (including climate change and change adaptation measures). The positive/negative impacts are set out below (please refer to guidance notes).

B11.2 Positive (Opportunities/Benefits):

B11.3 Negative (Threats):

# **Health & Safety Implications**

# B12 What are the Health & Safety implications: NA

B12.1 [A Risk Assessment has been carried out and entered into Safety Media for all significant hazards and risks.] [A Risk Assessment has not been carried out and entered into Safety Media for all significant hazards and risks because there are no significant hazards or risks arising from this decision.]

B12.2 [The significant hazards and risks have been identified in the Safety Media Risk Assessment numbered [ ]. Any financial implications to mitigate against these hazards and risks are considered above.]

B12.3 [Control measures and an action plan have been identified for any significant hazards and risks identified in the risk assessment. The positive/negative impacts are set out below]

**B12.3.1 Positive (Benefits)** 

B12.3.2 Negative (Threats)

## **Key Decision**

**B13** Is this a Key Decision? No

**Note: A Key Executive Decision is one where:** 

- 1. REVENUE Any contract or proposal with an annual payment or saving of more than £100,000
- 2. CAPITAL Any capital project with a value in excess of £150,000
- 3. A decision which significantly affects communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards.

| B13.1 If this is a Key Decision, is this an urgent decision such that a delay caused by use of the Call-in Procedure would <u>seriously</u> prejudice the public interest?                  | NA |
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| B13.2 If yes, has the Mayor or in his/her absence the Deputy Mayor or in his/her absence the Chair of the relevant Scrutiny Committee agreed that the decision will be exempt from Call-in? | NA |

NOTE: If this decision is subject to the Call-in Procedure it will come into force, and may then be implemented, on the expiry of 3 working days after publication – unless 10 Members of the Council call in the decision.

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