

## **SCRUTINY OF THE INTEGRATED PLAN PROPOSALS 2016/17 – 2019/20**

### **INFORMATION REQUESTS**

#### **Adult Care and Health**

1. Please provide an up to date Health & Community Services structure chart to Members when available.
2. The Community Wellbeing Team to outline the support available to stroke patients and their carers. This should include services commissioned or provided by the Clinical Commissioning Groups (CCGs).

#### **Children's Services**

3. What financial and service benefits does the department see resulting from the Regional Adoption Service?
4. Please outline how the department is adopting SMART working techniques and the benefits for social workers workload management.
5. Please provide information on the performance of Children's Centres.
6. Please provide a breakdown of the services provided to asylum seeking children already in the County. What plans are in place to manage the needs of further asylum seeking children?
7. What is the strategic plan to address the maintenance and quality of school buildings across the County?
8. Please outline opportunities for members and school governors to get involved with Children's Services to reflect the interaction with children in care.

#### **Community Safety and Waste Management**

9. Waste
  - (a) What action is being taken by officers to ensure that there is agreement between the 11 Hertfordshire local authorities on a definition of fly-tipping; and to ensure that there is consistent response from the appropriate body/ies and enforcement against offences?
  - (b) What information is available to the public that makes clear their responsibilities for commercial waste disposal to minimise the risk to members of the public of being liable for unauthorised disposal by traders without official waste carrier licences?

- (c) What lessons have been learned and used from the 6 month pilot at the St Albans Depot to accept commercial waste from paying traders?

### **Enterprise, Education and Skills**

10. What is being done to raise awareness of the Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) with the general public to outline its role and successes?
11. What are the potential financial implications of increasing numbers of schools converting to academies? This should include responsibility for any deficits the school holds prior to conversion.
12. Please provide Members with updates on changes to the Authority's policy and the implications for county council budgets.
13. Please provide Members with an update of the number of academies, free schools and maintained schools.

### **Environment, Planning and Transport**

16. Please provide a breakdown of the budget assigned to Passenger Transport and Safety.
17. How is the importance of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) to local authorities being made clear to central government?

### **Highways**

18. How are the expectations of residents and partners reporting highways issues managed?
19. What is the exact cost "silent tarmac" relative to using "noisier" tarmac?
20. What is the budget breakdown for the Highways categories 1 and 2 for the forthcoming year in comparison with 2015/16?

### **Public Health**

21. How do Public Health, Localism and Libraries engage and communicate with excluded and hard to reach groups?

### **Resources and Performance**

22. Please conduct a survey of the usage of the Member Information System (MIS) and report the result to Members.
23. Please provide clarification of the key and performance indicators used by the department and Hertfordshire's statistical neighbours and why these have chosen.

24. Please provide a review of Hertfordshire's shared back office services to establish what savings have been made and those anticipated going forward and the benefits that have been gained to date to inform potential future shared service opportunities.
25. What has been the impact of Member Locality Budget spending?