Overview and Scrutiny Parks Task Group Closure Report

3 March 2017

Meeting Dates:

7 September 2016

10 November 2016

Topics Discussed:

Procedure for the booking of events in parks and open spaces

Car Parks income

Public Conveniences

Laleham Park

Staines upon Thames Day

Outcomes

Procedure for the booking of events in parks and open spaces

The current procedure for booking events was reviewed by the Task Group and a new application form, criteria and appeals process was developed and has been implemented.

Car Parks income

Officers were asked to provide data on car parks in parks income. This was provided and reviewed by the Task Group. The recommendation was these charges should be looked at annually to explore the possibility of increasing the number of visitors into the park.

Public Conveniences

The Public Toilet Scheme was reviewed and the Chairman was satisfied with the number of businesses that participated.

Laleham Park

It was agreed that a separate Members Group would meet to discuss options for Laleham Park.

Staines upon Thames Day

The Task Group discussed ideas for new events for Staines upon Thames Day. The Chairman put forward exploring an opportunity for Staines Regatta in order to maximise the part of the Thames that flows through the borough. It was agreed that this could be discussed as part of the planning for Staines upon Thames Days in the future.