

**USE OF INJUNCTIONS IN ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR
(Report by Director of Operational Services)**

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 To consider the use of Injunctions in dealing with issues of anti-social behaviour.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Council is working with its partner agencies in the Community Safety Partnership to tackle cases of anti-social behaviour. Individual agencies take the lead role on particular cases depending on the issues involved.
- 2.2 The Council takes the lead on those cases of anti-social behaviour which include environmental 'crime' such as flytipping.

3. DISCUSSION

- 3.1 In considering the mechanisms for dealing with such cases of environmental anti-social behaviour, the Council can use Anti-Social Behaviour Orders or it can use Injunctions to ensure particular behaviour such as flytipping is not repeated. The Head of Legal & Estates believes that the use of Injunctions in such cases is an expeditious way to deal with such matters.
- 3.2 Injunctions would be sought but at present there is no delegation to the Head of Legal & Estates to enable such Injunctions to be sought. Speed is often essential to deal with these matters and it is recommended that delegated authority be given to the Head of Legal & Estates to seek Injunctions when considered appropriate.

4. RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 That delegated authority be given to the Head of Legal & Estates Services after consultation with the relevant Executive Member to seek Injunctions to deal with anti-social behaviour.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- ❖ Anti-Social Behaviour Act 2003

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