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## Licensing and Protection Panel

Report of the meeting held on 21st June 2006

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### Matter for Decision

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#### 1. SERVICE PLAN FOR FOOD LAW ENFORCEMENT

The Panel has considered an Executive Summary of the proposed Service Plan for Food Law Enforcement for 2006/07. The Plan has been developed to comply with the requirements of the Food Standards Agency (FSA) and incorporates the aims and objectives of the service and the resources available, together with a review of the work undertaken during the previous year.

A separate report on the subject appears on the agenda for the Council to consider. The Panel has therefore

#### RECOMMEND

**that the Service Plan for Food Law Enforcement be approved.**

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### Matters for Information

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#### 2. SERVICE PLAN FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY ENFORCEMENT

The Panel has endorsed the content of the Service Plan for Health and Safety Enforcement (HSE) for 2006/07. The Plan has been developed in accordance with guidance issued by the Health and Safety Commission (HSC) and contains sections on the aims and objectives of the service and the resources available, together with a review of the work undertaken in the previous year.

Members have been informed that although the Health and Safety Service was not fully staffed for the whole of the previous year, the service recorded 94% of necessary inspections. As a result, some service improvements have been carried over to the 2006/07 development plan.

The service delivery element of the service plan for 2006/07 has been developed to give high priority to focused initiatives rather than concentrating on routine inspections. This has resulted in new

methods of assessment for low-risk businesses using self-assessment questionnaires to allow officers more time to focus on enforcement and education, paying particular attention to higher risk premises and activities.

### **3. CONTAMINATED LAND REMEDIATION STRATEGY**

Further to item No.11 of their Report to the meeting of the Council held on 22nd February 2006, the Panel has been acquainted with an update of the findings of a contaminated land survey of the Council's mobile home park at Eynesbury, St Neots. Following further soil sampling, Members have been advised that 46 out of the 50 plots on the site require remedial works. Residents have been kept fully informed of the situation and it is anticipated the remediation work could take approximately two years to complete.

As the land is in the ownership of the Council, the Cabinet is also being kept apprised of developments.

### **4. LOCAL JUSTICE AREA BOUNDARIES – CONSULTATION PAPER**

The Panel has supported proposed changes to Local Justice Area (LJA) boundaries. The changes will realign the boundaries to those already used by the Cambridgeshire Police Force divisions, the relevant local authorities and Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnerships. With regard to Huntingdonshire, Yaxley and surrounding villages to the south and west of Peterborough will move from the Peterborough LJA to Huntingdon LJA and Gamlingay in South Cambridgeshire will move from Huntingdon LJA to Cambridge LJA.

### **5. REPRESENTATIONS ON ORGANISATIONS**

The Panel has appointed a number of representatives to outside organisations for the ensuing Municipal Year.

J M Sadler  
Chairman