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## ***Haverhill Area Working Party***

***Thursday 9 June 2011 at 4.15 pm  
in the Conference Room, Samuel Ward Academy, Chalkstone Way, Haverhill***

**\*\* PLEASE NOTE THE VENUE \*\***

**CONSTITUTION:**     *Chairman:           To be elected*  
                          *Vice Chairmen:    To be appointed*

<u><i>Conservative</i></u> <u><i>Members (8)</i></u>	<u><i>Labour</i></u> <u><i>Member (1)</i></u>	<u><i>Independent Group</i></u> <u><i>Member (1)</i></u>
<i>Ager</i> <i>French</i> <i>Mrs Gower</i> <i>Marks</i> <i>McManus</i> <i>Mrs Richardson</i> <i>Mrs Rushbrook</i> <i>A Whittaker</i>	<i>Ms Byrne</i>	<i>Redhead</i>

**SUBSTITUTES:**

<u><i>Conservative</i></u> <u><i>Members (3)</i></u>	<u><i>Labour</i></u> <u><i>Member (1)</i></u>	<u><i>Independent Group</i></u> <u><i>Member (1)</i></u>
<i>Clifton-Brown</i> <i>Farthing</i> <i>Vacancy</i>	<i>Vacancy</i>	<i>Vacancy</i>

**QUORUM:**           *Four Members*

**BY INVITATION:**    Mr G Mussett (Clerk to Haverhill Town Council)  
                          Councillor Pat Hanlon (Haverhill Town Council)

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# *Agenda*

## 1. **Substitutes**

Any Member who is substituting for another Member should so indicate together with the name of the relevant absent Member.

## 2. **Election of Chairman**

## 3. **Appointment of Vice-Chairman**

## 4. **Apologies for absence**

## 5. **Minutes**

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 24 March 2011 (copy attached).

## 6. **Declaration of interests**

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal or prejudicial interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when that item is reached and, when appropriate, to leave the meeting prior to discussion and voting on the item.

## **Part 1 – Public**

## 7. **Terms of Reference**

Below is the current approved Terms of Reference for the Haverhill Area Working Party:-

*'To maintain an overview of issues relating to the well-being and future development of Haverhill and make recommendations to Cabinet about actions required to promote the success of the town and its community'.*

The Working Party is required to **REVIEW** the above Terms of Reference and recommend any changes to the Cabinet for consideration.

## 8. **Street Lighting Proposals**

Suffolk County Council (SCC) is shortly to embark on a project to make all street lighting controllable in respect of timing and light level output.

SCC is to invest £2.5 million to install an intelligent lighting system to over 55,000 street lights. This will enable street lights to be dimmed and lighting hours to be controlled from a central location. Overall the investment will deliver annual savings on energy costs approaching £500,000 and carbon reductions of over 4,000 tonnes per annum.

The proposals would as a rule see lighting turned off in residential areas, between midnight and 5.30am and dimmed in other areas.

There are certain locations where close examination of lighting levels and operating times needs consideration such as town centres, major junctions,

public car parks and indeed residential areas. SCC is proposing to draw up initial proposals and hold local meetings to allow all those interested (Police, Borough/District, Town and Parish Councils, residents, businesses and including Borough Councillors) to have input in order to draw on their local knowledge.

A presentation on the proposals will be provided at the meeting by Richard Webster, Electrical Services Manager, Suffolk County Council.

The Working Party is recommended to **NOTE** the contents of this narrative and the presentation.

**9. Haverhill Town Centre Management: Update**

The Economic Development Manager will provide an oral update on the present situation regarding Haverhill Town Centre Management.

**10. High Street Enhancement Scheme: Update**

The Working Party will receive an oral update from Suzanne Buck of Suffolk County Council's Highways Section in respect of the proposed enhancements to High Street, Haverhill.

**11. Public Art for the Town Centre of Haverhill (PATCH)**

On 15 January 2009, the Haverhill Area Working Party (HAWP) approved the Terms of Reference for a task-and-finish group to oversee the commissioning of pieces of art in Queen Street (Report Z466 refers). The group was called Public Art for the Town Centre of Haverhill (PATCH). At the time, PATCH was chaired by Councillor Mrs Richardson and comprised:-

- (a) two Members of HAWP: Councillors Mrs Richardson and Mrs Rushbrook;
- (b) one Member of Haverhill Town Council: Councillor Mrs Gower;
- (c) three representatives of local schools: Mick Walker of Castle Manor Business and Enterprise College, Neil Williams of Samuel Ward Arts and Technology College (now Samuel Ward Academy) and Jilly Shekleton, Local Schools Representative; and
- (d) one representative of Queen Street traders: David Doughty of The Gallery Photography.

PATCH successfully delivered the new gates in Queen Street in July 2010 and therefore completed the task for which it had been set up. The group worked very well indeed and the partnership with local schools proved to be extremely productive. PATCH is now interested in considering whether it could produce another work of art as part of the enhancement of the High Street. As a first stage, PATCH would produce proposals for HAWP so that HAWP can decide whether it agrees for funding to be sought from the £750,000 Growth Area Funding budget that has been allocated for the enhancement of the High Street. Since funding is likely to be restricted, HAWP may wish to give PATCH an upper limit which it cannot exceed, therefore £10,000 is suggested. PATCH would report to HAWP at every stage and would gain HAWP's approval before commissioning any work.

PATCH **RECOMMENDS** to the Working Party that it:-

- (a) permits PATCH to continue as a task-and-finish group;
- (b) amends the terms of reference in order that PATCH can oversee the commissioning of a piece of art in the High Street, Haverhill;
- (c) appoints a Chairman;
- (d) nominates representatives from the Haverhill Area Working Party to sit on the Group;
- (e) seeks appropriate representatives from Haverhill Town Council, local schools and local traders to sit on the Group; and
- (f) asks PATCH to work within a budget limit of £10,000.

**12. Haverhill Vision 2031: Issues Consultation: Summary**

Report **C15** attached.

**13. Dates of Future Meetings**

The Working Party has already determined the following dates and venues for meetings in 2011:-

21 July : Haverhill Community Football Association;  
8 September : Samuel Ward Arts and Technology College;  
27 October : Haverhill Community Football Association; and  
15 December : Castle Manor Business and Enterprise College.

All dates are Thursdays and the meetings will commence at 4.15 pm.

**Part 2 – Private**

**NONE**