

17. Community Action Committee - Terms of Reference

The Committee must at all times consider its duty to Best Value, Equal Opportunities (race, religion, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, age and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights.

To promote the Bersted Parish Council and to foster and improve positive links with the Community.

To meet with local action groups, police personnel, and community workers to exchange ideas and concerns within the parish and to decide how these issues can be resolved so that the general safety and wellbeing of the community is improved.

To encourage the participation of other organisations, partnerships and individuals with an interest in the above. This may include appointing representatives of organisation or members of the community, with specialist knowledge or expertise, to Community Resources.

The Committee is authorised to establish Committees and or Working Groups, and to appoint advisers as and when necessary to assist in its work.

To carry out the declared policies of the Council and to make recommendations on new policies or changes to existing policies relating to the Council's powers and duties for the following procedures:

1. To formulate a budget for grant expenditure for the next financial year in September and to recommend it to the September meeting of the F&GP Committee for approval.
2. To control the expenditure and income of the approved budgets within the Revenue Expenditure Cost Centres, from the Community Project Account and Community Resources budget for the following:

- Community events
- Speed Watch
- Business Forum
- Tea & Coffee Club
- School projects
- Playscheme

Should further funds be required for any of the above from Councils main budget, this must be requested via the F&GP Committee and then Council for approval.

3. To Submit to Council proposals for new and improved services.
4. Make recommendations to Council in relation to:
wellbeing, social care, community care, public/community transport
community safety, community grant funding
5. To implement relevant policies of the Council relating to its facilities when appropriate recommend amendments and new policies to the Council.