BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

JOINT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD

5th October 2010

ALVECHURCH MULTI-USE GAMES AREA INQUIRY REPORT

Responsible Portfolio Holders	Councillors: Mike Webb – Portfolio Holder for Community
Responsible Head of Service	Mrs. A. Heighway – Head of Community Services
Responsible Head of Service for Overview and Scrutiny	Mrs. C. Felton – Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services

1. **SUMMARY**

1.1 To consider the findings and recommendations contained within the attached report relating to the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Board (JOSB) investigation undertaken by the MUGA Inquiry.

2. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 2.1 Members are requested to:
 - (a) consider and approve the attached report and the recommendations contained within it (attached at Appendix A); and
 - (b) submit the attached report to the Cabinet for consideration of the recommendations.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Meeting of the JOSB on 15th June 2010, it was decided that an Inquiry should be established to consider the reported crime and disorder problems around the Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) site at Swanslength, Alvechurch. The terms of reference and membership of the Inquiry was also agreed.
- 3.2 The full terms of reference agreed by the JOSB at this meeting are included within the report attached at Appendix A.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 The Financial and Resource implications of the recommendations are detailed in the Summary of Recommendations of the appended report.

4.2 In some instances the report recommendations state that costs are being ascertained. It is intended that further financial details will be reported at the meeting of the Board and then be incorporated within the final version of the report prior to its submission to the Cabinet.

5. **LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

5.1 There are no legal implications relating to this report.

6. COUNCIL OBJECTIVES

6.1 This report links to the Council's Objectives of Improvement and One Community.

7. <u>RISK MANAGEMENT INCLUDING HEALTH AND SAFETY</u> CONSIDERATIONS

7.1 The risk of not implementing the recommendations contained within the attached overview report is that the Council may not comply with its statutory duties under Section 17 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998.

8. CUSTOMER IMPLICATIONS

8.1 If the recommendations were approved and implemented, residents living in Alvechurch may benefit from improved wellbeing and a reduction in antisocial behaviour, which would have an emphasis on customer satisfaction.

9. **EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS**

9.1 There are no implications directly relating to this report for the Council's Equalities and Diversity Policies. Equalities issues relating to amenities to young people and the fear of crime and disorder, especially to older people, have been taken into consideration within the body of the report attached at Appendix A.

10. VALUE FOR MONEY IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no value for money implications directly relating to this report.

11. CLIMATE CHANGE AND CARBON IMPLICATIONS

11.1 None

12. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

Procurement Issues - None	
Personnel - None	
Governance/Performance Management - None	

Community Safety including Section 17 of Crime and Disorder Act 1998		
These are addressed within the body of the report attached at Appendix A		
Policy - None		
Biodiversity - None		

13. OTHERS CONSULTED ON THE REPORT

Portfolio Holder	No
Chief Executive	No
Executive Director (Leisure, Environment & Community Services) and Deputy Chief Executive	No
Executive Director (Planning & Regeneration, Regulatory, Housing Services)	No
Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)	Consulted on the financial and resources implications set out in the summary of recommendations.
Director of Policy, Performance and Partnerships	No
Head of Legal, Equalities & Democratic Services	Yes
Head of Resources	No
Head of Environment	No
Head of Leisure	No
Head of Community	Yes
Head of Housing	No
Head of Business Transformation	No
Corporate Procurement Team	No

14. WARDS AFFECTED

Alvechurch.

15. APPENDICES

Appendix A Report of the MUGA Inquiry.

16. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None

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