

# Leigh-on-Sea Town Council

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Vice Chairman: Cllr Paul Lawrence  
Town Clerk: Paul Beckerson



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COUNCIL

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the **Leisure, Foreshore & Environment Committee** of the Leigh-on-Sea Town Council will take place on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2014**, Leigh Community Centre, 71-73 Elm Road, Leigh-on-Sea commencing at **7.30pm**.

**PRE-MEETING BRIEFING AT 7pm BY AMY PRYOR FROM THAMES ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP (Agenda Item G)**

## AGENDA

1. CHAIRMAN'S OPENING REMARKS
2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. DECLARATIONS OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS
4. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2014
5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION
  - a) Waste Recycling Consultation (Appendix 1)
  - b) Strand Wharf Update
  - c) Easter Event Update
  - d) Maritime Festival Update
  - e) Leigh Light's Issues
  - f) Annual Town Meeting WP – 14<sup>th</sup> February 2014 (To follow)
  - g) Clean Seas Initiative TEP (To follow)
6. BUDGET Report 2325 – 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014 – (Appendix 2)

Paul Beckerson  
Town Clerk  
13<sup>th</sup> February 2014

**Any member who is unable to attend the meeting should send their apologies before the meeting**

## Recycling and Waste Services Consultation

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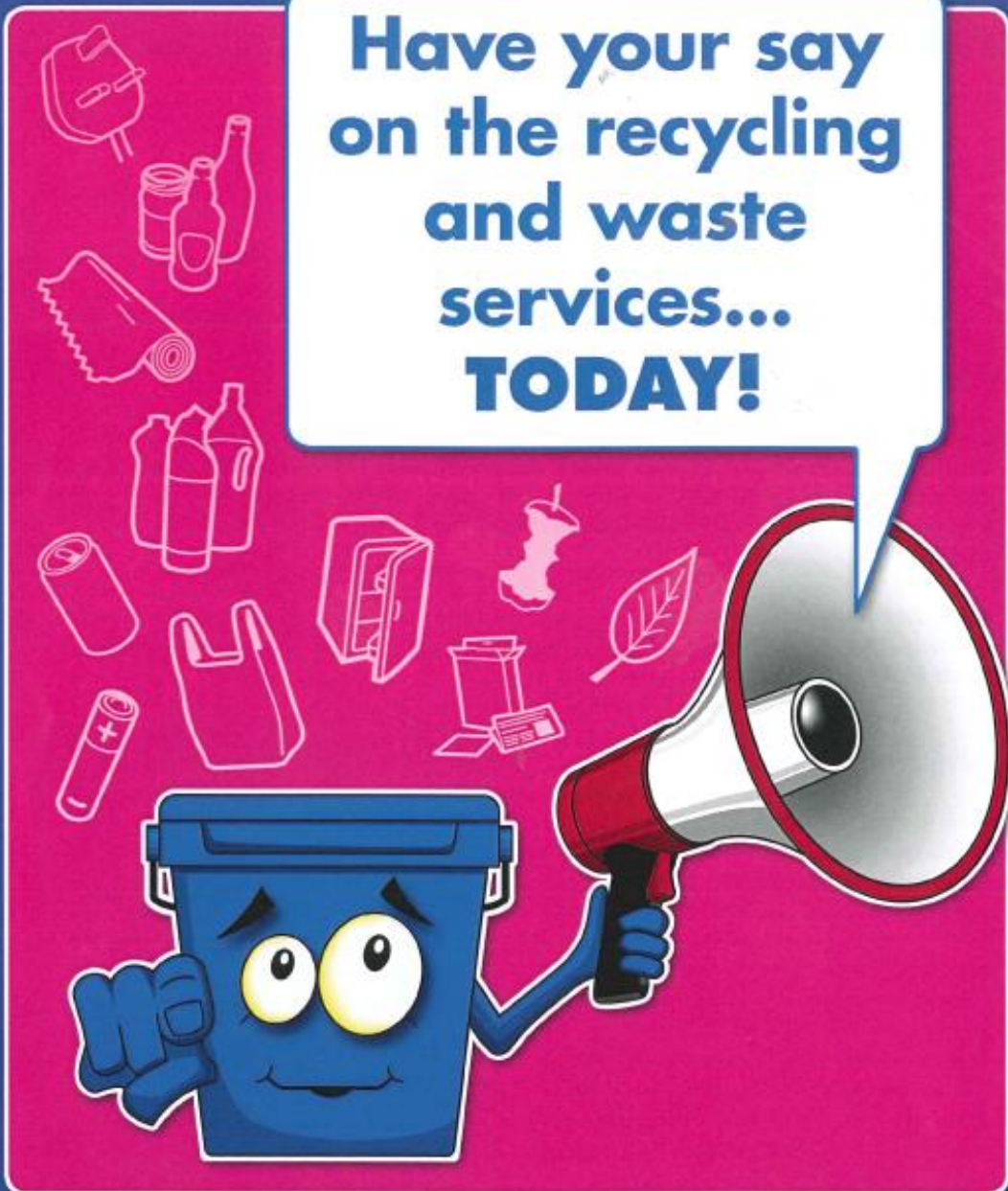
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- Manage recycling & waste in the most economical, environmental and sustainable way.
- Provide a street cleaning service that meets the needs of those who live, visit and work in Southend-on-Sea.
- Involve community groups and build on partnerships to help deliver services.

**Have your say  
on the recycling  
and waste  
services...  
TODAY!**



Complete the survey online at  
**[www.southend.gov.uk/wasteconsultation](http://www.southend.gov.uk/wasteconsultation)**  
or complete a form at the Civic Centre, Leigh Town Council offices or any  
Southend-on-sea Borough Council Library by **10th March 2014**

 **recycle for Southend**

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on-sea**  
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Your views are important to us. Please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with the following statements by choosing **one of the options in each section**.

### A. Your Views on the Current Services

- 1:** Overall I am satisfied with the current recycling and waste collections from my home:  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree
- 2:** Overall I am satisfied with the standards of street cleaning in Southend:  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree
- 3:** Overall I am satisfied with the current food waste collection from my home:  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree
- 4:** Overall I am satisfied with the recycling and waste services offered at the Household Waste Recycling Centres (Leigh Marshes and Stock Road):  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree

### B. Recycling and Waste Services

- 5:** I find it easy to use the current system of placing all my recyclables in a pink sack:  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree
- 6:** I am satisfied with the range of materials collected for recycling in my pink sack:  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree
- 7:** It is important for me to have free liners for the food waste scheme:  
 Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree



### C. Street Cleaning

**8:** Areas of high footfall such as Southend High Street and the Seafront should have higher levels of street cleaning to maintain standards:

Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree

**9:** Quiet residential areas do not normally need cleaning outside the hours of 9am to 5pm:

Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree

**10:** It is important to have graffiti cleared quickly:

Strongly Agree    Agree    Don't Know    Disagree    Strongly Disagree



### D. Future Services

**11:** All of the following potential changes could deliver savings to the Council, please indicate how strongly you agree or disagree with each proposal by **ticking one box on each line**:

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Don't Know	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
i. Apply a charge to non-household, construction and demolition waste that is taken to the Household Waste Recycling Centres.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ii. The small amount of non-recyclable waste that goes into my black sacks means it could be collected less frequently.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
iii. Collect waste and recycling between Tuesday to Friday (over 4 days rather than 5 days) to reduce disruption around Monday bank holidays.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
iv. Combine litterbins and dog bins so that all waste can be accepted.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
v. Work with volunteers to deliver elements of the service such as street cleaning.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
vi. Allow advertising on vehicles and equipment such as litterbins.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
vii. Work with communities to set up waste reuse schemes.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
viii. Charge for use of public toilets.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### E. Other

**12:** Flexibility of where to put my waste on my property for collection is important to me because I have specific needs (e.g. can only carry sacks for a short distance due to mobility issues). **Please tick one option only.**

Strongly Agree     Agree     Don't Know     Disagree     Strongly Disagree

**13:** If there was one suggestion you had to make waste and recycling services even better or save the Council money what would it be?

## F. About you

The following demographic questions are asked for analysis purposes of this survey only. The information you provide will help us understand the views of our diverse communities better. The responses will remain anonymous and confidential. **Please tick one option only in each of the following questions.**

**14:** Are you:

- Business       Resident       Visitor  
 Voluntary & community sector organisation  
 Other

**14.1:** Please state

**15:** Are you:

- Male       Female

**16:** What is your age?

- under 16       16-19  
 20-24       25-34  
 35-44       45-59  
 60-64       65-74  
 75-84       85+  
 Would rather not answer

**17:** Which ethnic group best describes you?

- White British  
 Black or Black British  
 Asian or Asian British  
 Mixed  
 Chinese  
 Prefer not to say  
 White other





**18:** Do you consider yourself to be disabled?

- No
- Yes, affecting mobility
- Yes, affecting hearing
- Yes, affecting vision
- Yes, a learning disability
- Yes, mental ill-health
- Yes, another form of disability
- Rather not say

**18.1:** Please specify other form of disability



**i** Please return your completed questionnaire in one of the 'drop-boxes' at the Civic Centre, Leigh Town Council, your local library or return in the freepost envelope provided.

The results of this survey are likely to be available around March 2014 and will inform the way the Council designs its new Recycling, Waste Collection and Street Cleaning Services.

**LFE Budget 2013/14**

Heading	B/F 2012/13	Income Budget	Inc. To Date	Expenditure Budget	Spend to Date	Nett to Date	Balance	% Used
Community Transport*		4,500	3,096.00	11,437	6,758.82	3662.82	3,274	0.00
Flower baskets	600	0		5,500	600.00	600.00	5,500	12.24
First Aid Provision		0	0.00	1,000	1,018.58	1018.58	-19	101.86
Farmers Market*		2,040	1,809.00	2,264	1,202.19	-606.81	831	0.00
Strand Wharf	73,238	0		0	0.00	0.00	73,238	0.00
Leigh Lights*	271	3,250	4,147.77	26,163	24,842.67	20694.90	2,490	90.32
Skate Park*				6,538	5,475.89	0.00	1,062	83.75
Paddling Pool	1,798	0		0	0.00	0.00	1,798	0.00
Grants to outside organisations		0		1,000	1,128.00	1128.00	-128	112.80
Maritime Festival		0	150.00	1,500	150.00	0.00	1,500	0.00
May Day		0	22.87	332	354.40	331.53	0	99.86
Carols on Strand Wharf		0	76.41	200	233.06	156.65	43	78.33
Easter Event		200	212.31	788	800.00	587.69	0	99.95
Coronation Event**	600		185.13	0	772.17	587.04	13	97.84
Good for Leigh			0.00	200	139.72	139.72	60	69.86
Events Equipment**	700			400	1,679.06	1679.06	-579	152.64
Electric Point LHC					200.00	200.00	-200	
Town Guide				400	350.00	350.00	50	87.50
Community initiatives and recreational facilities				2	2.35	2.35	0	117.50
Staff costs				11,774	10,280.69	10280.69	1,493	87.32
<b>Totals</b>	<b>77,207</b>	<b>9,990</b>	<b>9,699.49</b>	<b>69,498</b>	<b>55,987.60</b>	<b>46,288.11</b>	<b>90,427</b>	<b>33.86</b>
Nett cost				59,508	45,706.91			

\* see separate budgets below

\*\*Various

1,300

5,162.04

**LFE Community Transport Budget  
2013/14**

<b>Community Transport</b>	<b>B/F 2012/13</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Inc. To Date</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Spend to Date</b>	<b>Nett to Date</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>% Spent</b>
Staff costs				5127	3,507.02		1,619.98	68.40
Ticket sales		4500	3,096.00		0.00		1,404.00	68.80
Trip costs				3900	868.27		3,031.73	22.26
Minibus hire				1300	663.90		636.10	51.07
CRB checks				200	0.00		200.00	0.00
Petrol & Misc.				280	42.00		238.00	15.00
Refreshments				150	1,278.46		-1,128.46	852.31
CTA membership				270	254.17		15.83	94.14
Midas Training				210	145.00		65.00	69.05
<b>Totals</b>		4500	3096	11437	6758.82		3,274.18	
Nett cost				6937	Actual		3662.82	52.80

**LFE Farmers Market Budget 2013/14**

<b>Farmers Market</b>	<b>B/F 2012/13</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Inc. To Date</b>	<b>Expenditure</b>	<b>Spend to Date</b>	<b>Nett to Date</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>% Used</b>
Stall hire		2040	1,809.00		0.00		231.00	88.68
Hall Hire				1884	760.32		1,123.68	40.36
Leaflet				380	430.00		-50.00	113.16
Farmers Market Pay				0	0.00		0.00	
Miscellaneous				0	11.87		-11.87	
Banners				0	0.00		0.00	
<b>Totals</b>		2040	1809	2264	1202.19		-606.81	830.81
Nett cost				224				

**Skate Park Budget 2013/14**

Skate Park	B/F 2012/13			Budget Expenditure	Spend to Date		Balance	% Spent
Rent				50	50.00		0.00	100.00
Cleaning				850	977.96		-127.96	115.05
Electricity				450	191.92		258.08	42.65
Miscellaneous				110	238.30		-128.30	216.64
Grass Cutting				760	225.00		535.00	29.61
Skate Park Pay				3318	2,777.83		540.17	83.72
Skate Park Maintenance				1000	1,014.88		-14.88	101.49
Totals				6538	5,475.89		1,062.11	83.75

**LFE Leigh Lights Budget 2013/14**

Leigh Lights **	B/F 2012/13	Income	Inc. To Date	Expenditure	Spend to Date	Nett to Date	Balance	% Used
Column testing				3920	3,920.00		0	100.00
Installation and removal				6500	8,400.00		-1,900	129.23
Storage				2000	0.00		2,000	0.00
Replacement bulbs				2100	2,925.00		-825	139.29
Electricity	271.33			300	271.33		300	90.44
Traders contributions		2000	2,275.00		0.00		275	113.75
Switch-on security				2533.25	2,533.25		0	100.00
Entertainers				1000	175.00		825	17.50
Road closures, licences etc.				2610	1,204.13		1,406	46.14
Charges to stalls, fairs, collections		1250	1,872.77	700	990.96	882	882	
Capital Renewals				3000	3,000.00		0	100.00
Support columns - erect and remove / Storage				1500	1,423.00		77	94.87
Totals	271.33	3250	4,147.77	26,163.25	24,842.67	20,695	2,490	90.32
Nett cost				22913.25				