Scrutiny Committee – Tuesday, 12 August 2014 Updates for the Meeting

Item 4) - Matters Arising

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Update from Councillor Peter Mullineaux, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods and Streetscene

## **Dog Fouling Pilot**

Following the positive results from the pilot carried out by Cllr Otter, the Cabinet Member welcomes more Champions to come forward so the exercise can be repeated in other areas.

The approach to be adopted by Neighbourhood Services is that after an area has been sprayed cleaning will be carried out within a two day period. This involves taking the mini sweeper off its regular work to clean up the area.

The Council has 3 mini sweepers covering the following My Neighbourhood Forum areas:

Sweeper 1 – Leyland

Sweeper 2 – Central and Eastern

Sweeper 3 – Penwortham and Western Parishes

To ensure that the sweepers do not fall behind with regular scheduled work, it is preferable that within the three areas above that only one Champion operates at a time. This is based on the experience of the initial pilot when quite a large estate area was covered intensively over several weeks. However, if the approach of the Champion is more light touch and just involves a small area which is sprayed on one or two occasions, then this does not create a problem and can be accommodated without causing the scheduled work to fall behind. In these circumstances several Champions could be operating within the same area.

It is therefore important for the size of area and frequency of spraying to be defined and discussed between Neighbourhood Services and the Champion so that appropriate cleaning arrangements can be put in place.