

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR PLEDGE

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Wards affected:	(All Wards);
Urgent Decision?(yes/no)	No
If yes, reason urgent decision required:	
Appendices (attached):	None

Summary

Report recommending the Council renew the Anti-Social Behaviour Pledge.

Recommendation (s)

The Committee is asked to:

- (1) Agree to renew the Anti-Social Behaviour Pledge.**
- (2) Nominate and authorise the Public Protection Manager and the Community Safety and Enforcement Officer to take the necessary steps to renew and sign the pledge.**

1 Reason for Recommendation

- 1.1 In partnership with other agencies, the Council has a role in dealing with certain instances of anti-social behaviour (ASB), in the Borough and for the operation of the Community Safety Partnership within which the ASB Case Review process operates.
- 1.2 The Council first made the pledge in the summer of 2022 following a policy decision by the previous Environment and Safer Communities Committee.
- 1.3 Recently the charity ASB Help, have invited the Council to re-commit following some strengthening of the pledge and the best practice is to renew after time has passed to ensure a continued commitment.
- 1.4 Working with ASB Help through the pledge will ensure the Council continues to retain a best practice approach with this service to the Epsom and Ewell community.

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2 Background

- 2.1 The ASB Pledge is advocated by ASB Help to support the victim's voice and in particular, to promote consistency in the application of the ASB Case Review process. This is the process, set out in law, whereby victims of ASB can request a multiagency review of their case. ASB Help have identified regional inconsistencies in the application of this review process which the pledge seeks to address.
- 2.2 Surrey Police, one of the Council's key partners within the Community Safety Partnership completed their renewal in June of 2025.
- 2.3 In order to implement the requirements of the pledge, officers will complete a questionnaire for review by ASB Help, ensure that processes and procedures are in alignment with the recommended approach and, subject to the permission of the victim, invite ASB Help to the next suitable ASB Case Review panel for validation.

3 Risk Assessment

Legal or other duties

3.1 Equality Impact Assessment

- 3.1.1 There is expected to be a positive impact on all members of society but particularly those who may be marginalised through exposure to ongoing ASB.

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- 3.2.1 There is expected to be a positive impact on the ability of the council and partner agencies to address ASB, particularly those more difficult cases which result in the use of the ASB Case Review process.

3.3 Safeguarding

- 3.3.1 There is likely to be a positive impact on safeguarding.

3.4 Dependencies

- 3.4.1 There are no known dependencies

4 Financial Implications

- 4.1 There are no financial implications to this proposal. Costs associated with the investigation and resolution of ASB issues, and of resourcing ASB Case Reviews are met from the existing budget.
- 4.2 **Section 151 Officer's comments:** None other than as set out in the above report.

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5 Legal Implications

- 5.1 There are no statutory requirements to adhere to the ASB help service but it is seen as good practice. The pledge encourages the use of the ASB Case Review process, a legal mechanism for victims to request a review of their case.
- 5.2 **Legal Officer's comments:** None other than as set out in the above report.

6 Policies, Plans & Partnerships:

- 6.1 **Council's Key Priorities:** The following Key Priorities are engaged:
- Safe and Well
- 6.2 **Service Plans:** The matter is not within the current Service Delivery Plan.
- 6.3 **Climate & Environmental Impact of recommendations:** None
- 6.4 **Sustainability Policy & Community Safety Implications:** There is a positive impact on community safety.
- 6.5 **Partnerships:** The council works within an existing statutory Community Safety Partnership (CSP) in this area.
- 6.6 **Local Government Reorganisation Implications:** None for the purposes of this report. It is expected that the pledge will be maintained for the remaining existence of the council with the successor authority arriving at their own policy in this area in due course.

7 Background papers

- 7.1 The documents referred to in compiling this report are as follows:

Previous reports:

- Environment and Safe Communities Committee – 25 January 2022

Other papers:

- [ASB Help "The ASB Help Pledge"](#) [online] accessed 12 January 2026