

Cabinet Lead Reports – Full Council 13 April 2016

Councillor Tony Briggs: Cabinet Lead for Environmental Services

Environmental Health (Including food safety)

The Commercial team in Environmental Health are participating in a scheme to allow residents of the Borough to make healthier choices when eating out.

The **Eat Out Eat Well** initiative was started in Surrey to help promote better nutrition and increase healthier food choices for consumers in catering establishments like restaurants, cafes, public houses and staff canteens.

The Environmental Health Commercial Team has completed the first three Eat Out Eat Well assessments on eateries in the Borough. The premises include Fat Face staff canteen in Havant, 'Bloomies' a café in Park Parade, both of which won a Bronze Award. Winner of a Silver Award was a canteen operated by Aramark in Langston Technology Park. Details of the Eat Out Eat Well scheme can be viewed on the Havant Council website

<http://www.havant.gov.uk/environmental-health-commercial/eat-out-eat-well-award>

Environmental Protection

Smoke Nuisance – Guidance on Bonfires.

In line with the corporate strategy and the Council priority to 'Enhance our area as a great place to live and work' Environmental Health has provided advice to residents about the disposal of allotment and garden waste including guidelines for those who have no alternative but to burn their garden waste. An article in the spring edition of 'Serving You' provided a reminder of the detrimental effect that bonfires can have on the environment as well as on relationships with neighbours.

Pest Control and Animal Welfare

Free Microchipping for Dogs

In a bid to reduce the impact of stray dogs on the Council's Animal Welfare Service and ensure that dogs are reunited with their owners when they do go missing, Havant Borough Council organised a 'free microchipping weekend' at the Plaza on Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd April 2016. Working in partnership with the charity 'The Dogs Trust', which provided the micro-chips, the HBC Animal Welfare and Licensing Team were available all weekend to micro chip Havant's dogs. Over the course of the weekend more than 330 dogs were microchipped.

