

Number	Recommendation	Responsibility	Proposed actions	Anticipated Completion Date/ Completion Date
1	That a public awareness campaign be conducted via Stockton News, the Council's website and other Council information outlets advising of the sensible action that should be taken (both do's and don'ts) so as to eliminate potential food sources likely to en	Environmental Health Environmental Health	a) Rat control leaflet b) Rat Article for Press release and website	Jan 2009 Jan 2009
2	That the Corporate Director of Resources be requested to look into current spend across the Council on pest control services and the opportunities to maximise efficiencies and 'invest to save' opportunities, particularly in relation to responsibilities fo	Corporate Director of Resources	c) Request to Resources	April 2009
3	That in order to minimise the potential for the urban landscape to attract both rats and litter, the Environmental Health Service should continue to be consulted on planning applications containing proposed shrub beds, and the service should also provide	Plan, CGS	d) Planning to consult with EH on all applications and provide all officers with guidance "pest minimisation for the Construction Industry".	Dec 2008
4	That the benefits of the connectivity of the two relevant IT systems be acknowledged and the Environmental Health Manager build into Service Improvement Planning the acquisition of the appropriate software necessary to achieve greater connectivity between	Environmental Health	e) Provide connection through Flare users group	April 2009

5	That through consultation with the Environmental Health Manager, the Council's Waste Implementation Plan should reflect the need to ensure that the advice provided regarding, and proposed methods of, food waste disposal and home composting do not encourag	CFYA	f) Amend waste leaflets in accordance with national guidelines	April 2009
6	That an initial public and commercial awareness campaign be initiated via Stockton News, the Council's website, the various Retail Fora highlighting the Council's wish to tackle pigeon infestation in the Borough, targeted initially via a pilot exercise w	Environmental Health Environmental Health Environmental Health	g) Press releases h) Pigeon control leaflet for public i) Pigeon control leaflet for business	Ongoing April 2009 April 2009
7	That as part of the awareness raising campaign suggested in Recommendation 6, the views of both the public and the retail sector be sought through a consultation exercise to ascertain their support for any proposed action to be taken aimed at reducing the	Environmental Health Town Centre Manager	j) Viewpoint survey or on-line survey k) Survey of town centre premises	Jan 2009 Dec 2008
8	That via the suggested Retail Fora (e.g. Stockton Town Centre Retail Forum; Town Centre Managers Newsletter, Chamber of Commerce Business Forum) the retail sector be advised of the available support offered by the Council's Pest Control Service regards me	Environmental Health	i) Pigeon control leaflet for business l) Provision of advice to town centre businesses	Ongoing

9	That as an incentive to the retail sectors involvement in measures to reduce pigeon infestation, the Council's Environmental Health Manager give consideration to initial concessions being offered to retailers on the cost of implementing proofing measures	Environmental Health	m) Subsidised pigeon proofing scheme	April 2009 – March 2012
10	That the Council's Land & Property Manager, in consultation with the Environmental Health Manager, be requested to consider appropriate action that could be taken to deter pigeon roosting on Council buildings; such as the suitability of proofing measures		n) Pigeon proofing to shambles, town hall	April 2009 – March 2012
11	That as part of the consideration of the detailed design stage of proposed retail developments dialogue be entered into between developers, Planning and Environmental Health so as to seek to remove the potential for design features to encourage pigeon har	Plan/ CGS	d) Planning to consult with EH on all applications and provide all officers with guidance. Including Urban Design	Dec 2008
12	That a Sub Group be established by the Urban Environment Task Group with responsibility to incorporate into its work programme consideration of the following measures and their cost; and that they form part of an agreed Action Plan to be built into future	UETG	o) Sub group established	In place

<p>-Use of Prohibitive Signs advising the public not to feed the pigeons/warning of enforcement action;</p> <p>-Media campaign utilising all available advertising outlets, bus shelters, billboards, retail premises, sandwich bags etc, promoting the theme of encoura</p>	<p>TCM</p> <p>EH</p>	<p>p) Provide Prohibitive Signs</p> <p>o) Media campaign utilising all available advertising outlets, bus shelters, billboards, retail premises, sandwich bags etc, promoting the theme of encouraging the public not to feed the pigeons;</p> <p>p) Advice/Enforceme nt actio</p>	<p>April 2009 – March 2012</p>
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	<p>Engagement of the retail sector in all measures designed to improve the Town Centre environmental street scene;</p> <p>-Enforcement action to be taken with regard to properties left derelict and prone to attract pigeon/vermin;</p> <p>-Commissioning of a DVD, based on t</p>		<p>s) notification to all retail premises</p> <p>t) Advice/Enforcement action on empty properties</p> <p>u) Commission DVD for general use</p> <p>v) Use of Raptors</p>	
13	<p>13. That a campaign to reduce pigeon numbers be built into future Pest Control Service Improvement Planning and if appropriate any funding implications be built into the Medium Term Financial Plan process.</p>	Environmental health	w) Headroom bid for 2009/10	April 2009
14	<p>That the Council's website content be reviewed to include the main themes of the campaign, offering appropriate advice and requesting on line comment from the public regarding areas affected by pigeon infestation.</p>	Environmental Health	x) Campaign details publicised	April 2009 – March 2012

15	That the Council commit to a campaign to achieve a sustainable 50% reduction in pigeon numbers in Stockton Town Centre within three years.	Environmental Health/ Enforcement	y) Target adopted and monitored subject to campaign	April 2009 – March 2012
16	16. That the success of the campaign be monitored by the Sub Group established by the Urban Environment Task Group and results provided on an annual basis to the Environment Select Committee. z) Reporting process in place	Environmental Health	z) Reporting process in place	April 2009 – March 2012

Evidence of progress (progress report due 01/06/09)	Assessment of progress (Categories 1-4) 01/06/09
<p>Leaflet produced to form basis of launch in press release and article in Stockton news May edition and on website</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Request made, report on pest control spend by Council 08/09 being prepared by Procurement.</p>	<p>3</p>
<p>In place</p>	<p>1</p>
<p>Funding for connection not supported by user group due to limited applications. Area based reports possible through alternative methods. EH to review provision themselves in 2009/10 budget.</p>	<p>3</p>

Information included in leaflet for public. Waste leaflets to be ammended when replaced.	1
Leaflet produced to form basis of launch in press release and article in Stockton news May edition and on website	1
Campaign funding bid failed so consultation element postponed as formed first part of campaign programme.	4
Leaflet produced to form basis of launch in press release and article in Stockton news May edition and on website and distributed to town centre premises.	4

Funding bid failed, scheme cannot be supported	4
Funding bid failed, scheme cannot be supported	4
In place	1
Update report 17/03/09	1

Funding bid failed, scheme cannot be supported in full. Limited campaign in place May/June	4
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Funding bid unsuccessfull	4
Website being updated	2

Target not sustainable without major campaign	4
Report to UETG 17/03/09	2