Planning Committee - I could not attend the September Meeting. There is no Planning Committee in October due to lack of business.

Older Peoples Partnership Board - I recently attended a meeting where concern was raised regarding the savings facing the library service and the impact it would have on the elderly. We were told that changes to the mobile service had already made it difficult for some who were housebound. They also feared that other services would be cut back including special events, IT classes and speakers.

Licensing - This months Licensing Committee members were asked to approve the Councils Revised Statement of Policy which is carried out every three years. The revised policy then to be adopted by full Council in October and which will then come into force on 7/1/2011. In the revised policy applicants of licensed premises would be expected to demonstrate some of the following: protecting children from harm and measures to prevent public nuisances like noise, litter and anti social behaviour. Also members were asked to amend the existing conditions for the home boarding of dogs. Home boarding allows for up to 3 dogs to be kept in the person who is looking after the dogs home. To allow dogs from different families and puppies over 6 months old to be boarded together where appropriate.