Scrutiny Task and Finish Panel Agenda



Local Strategic Partnership Task and Finish Panel Wednesday, 25th October, 2006

Place: Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 7.30 pm

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Members:

Councillors Mrs M Sartin (Chairman), Mrs P Smith (Vice-Chairman), Mrs S Clapp, Mrs A Cooper, J Demetriou, Mrs J Lea, A Lee, Mrs J H Whitehouse and J M Whitehouse

MEMBERS ARE REMINDED TO BRING TO THE MEETING THEIR PACK ON THE LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

A PRE - MEETING OF THE PANEL WILL BE HELD AT 7.00 PM

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

(Head of Research and Democratic Services) To report the appointment of any substitute members for the meeting.

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Head of Research and Democratic Services). To declare interests in any items on the agenda.

In considering whether to declare a personal or a prejudicial interest under the Code of Conduct, Overview & Scrutiny members are asked pay particular attention to paragraph 11 of the Code in addition to the more familiar requirements.

This requires the declaration of a personal and prejudicial interest in any matter before an OS Committee which relates to a decision of or action by another Committee or Sub Committee of the Council, a Joint Committee or Joint Sub Committee in which the Council is involved and of which the Councillor is also a member.

Paragraph 11 does not refer to Cabinet decisions or attendance at an OS meeting purely for the purpose of answering questions or providing information on such a matter.

4. NOTES OF LAST MEETING - 27 SEPTEMBER 2006 (Pages 5 - 10)

Attached.

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE/WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 11 - 14)

Attached.

6. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT - PRESENTATION FROM MR RICHARD PULESTON, HEAD OF COMMUNITY PLANNING AND REGENERATION, ESSEX COUNTY COUNCIL. (Pages 15 - 18)

(Joint Chief Executive (Community)). To consider the attached report.

Together with this agenda, Members of the Panel should also have received a separate pack containing the following documents. Members will need to bring these to the meeting for consideration.

- (i) A copy of the Local Area Agreement for Essex;
- (ii) A copy of a Local Area Agreement organisation chart produced for the Local Strategic Partnership which shows the four blocks of the Local Area Agreement, which priorities they include and how the Local Strategic Partnership is currently managing them. Some changes may come about now that the Children's and Young Persons Strategic partnership (CYPSP) has been adopted as the 8th strand of the LSP.
- (iii) A copy of a letter received from the County Council Chief Executive.

7. TRAINING SESSONS - FEEDBACK

To receive feedback from Councillor Mrs Penny Smith on the LSP training course run by the East England Regional Assembly on 3 October 2006.

8. LSP CONFERENCE REPORTS (Pages 19 - 24)

To consider the attached notes of the following conferences:

- New Local Government Network LSP Conference 2006 Shaping the future of Local Services (14 June 2006)
- Local Government Association Conference Local Strategic Partnerships Ready to Govern? (14 July 2006)

To assist Marina Sheriff (Community Strategy and Partnership Manager) and Chris Overend (EFDC Policy and Research Officer) will be present to report and answer questions.

9. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

TBA