

Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



Environmental and Planning Services Standing Scrutiny Panel Monday, 29th October, 2007

Place: Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 7.30 pm

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Members:

Councillors Mrs P Smith (Chairman), D Bateman (Vice-Chairman), Mrs A Cooper, R Bassett, R Frankel, P House, J Knapman, G Pritchard, Mrs P Richardson, H Ulkun, Mrs L Wagland and M Woollard

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (COUNCIL MINUTE 39 - 23.7.02)

(Assistant to the Chief Executive) To report the appointment of any substitute members for the meeting.

3. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

(Assistant to the Chief Executive). 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 THE LAST MEETING (Pages 5 - 56)

To consider the attached notes of the last meeting held on 5 September 2007.

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE / WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 57 - 58)

(Chairman/Lead Officer) To consider the up to date work plan.

Planning Performance – Monitoring of Enforcement Statistics – Item 6

To review this element of the work plan.

Last year the Panel agreed to receive a progress report on the pilot for the above, now that this has been completed the Panel is asked to determine whether this work still requires space in their work plan.

In the event the Panel agrees to carry out a further review of the ongoing issues, they are reminded to ascribe a reporting deadline to this work. Otherwise they are advised to remove it from their work plan to free up time for more pressing work.

6. PARKING REVIEW - HIGHWAY SERVICES PRESENTATION

To receive a presentation from Mr D Forkin, the West Essex Highways Manager, on parking issues

It is intended that this presentation will focus on parking issues specially those raised in relation to the Panels review of these issues.

Issues for consideration:

- (a) the current traffic problems in Epping.
- (b) the process for Traffic Regulation Orders
- (c) the costs of TROs (TROs)
- (d) parking reviews, looking to the future
- (e) parking on estates and on verges etc

- (f) speed management policy
- (g) freight and LGVs generally
- (h) maintenance of the more minor roads
- (i) communications with Harlow based officers

7. WEST ESSEX AREA JOINT WASTE COMMITTEE - NOTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2007 (Pages 59 - 64)

To consider the minutes of the last meeting of the Joint Committee.

8. NAZEING ACTION PLAN (Pages 65 - 74)

To consider the attached report.

9. REPORTS TO BE MADE TO THE NEXT MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

To consider which reports are ready to be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its next meeting.

10. FUTURE MEETINGS

20 December 2007, 28 February, 23 April 2008.