

Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



Constitution and Members Services Scrutiny Standing Panel Tuesday, 20th November, 2007

Place: Committee Room 1

Time: 7.30 pm

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Members:

Councillors R Church (Chairman), R Morgan (Vice-Chairman), Mrs P Brooks, J Demetriou, R D'Souza, J Markham, Mrs M McEwen, T Richardson, B Rolfe, D Stallan and Mrs J H Whitehouse

**A BRIEFING WILL BE HELD FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE
PANEL AT 6.45PM ON THE DAY OF THE MEETING**

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 - 11 OCTOBER 2007 (Pages 3 - 8)

Attached.

5. WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 9 - 10)

(Chairman/Lead Officer) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed a Work Programme for this Panel. This is attached. The Panel are asked at each meeting to review this document.

6. REVIEW OF MEETING CYCLE OF AREA PLANS SUB COMMITTEES (Pages 11 - 12)

To review the frequency of area Plans Sub Committees as part of an initiative of improving the time taken to determine planning applications.

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT IN HEALTH ACT 2000 - (A) EXECUTIVE ARRANGEMENTS FOR ENGLAND (B) LOCAL AREA AGREEMENTS AND COMMUNITY STRATEGIES (Pages 13 - 20)

To consider the attached reports.

8. ACCESS TO COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION ARRANGEMENTS (Pages 21 - 24)

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

The next programmed meeting of the Panel will be held on 6 June 2006 at 7.30 in Committee Room 1 and then on:

7 August 2006
10 October 2006
04 December 2006
8 February 2007
2 April 2007