

## **Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda**



### **Finance and Performance Management Scrutiny Panel Thursday, 27th March, 2008**

**Place:** Committee Room 2, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

**Time:** 7.00 pm

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**Members:**

Councillors J M Whitehouse (Chairman), G Mohindra (Vice-Chairman), R Bassett, J Hart, M Colling, D Jacobs, R Morgan, Mrs P Richardson, Mrs P Smith and A Watts

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**2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

**3. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (COUNCIL MINUTE 39 - 23.7.02)**

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

**4. 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.

**5. REPORTS FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Pages 5 - 12)**

To consider and agree the notes of the meeting the Panel held on 11 February 2008.

**6. TERMS OF REFERENCE / WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 13 - 16)**

(Chairman/Lead Officer) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed the Terms of Reference of this Panel and associated Work Programme. This is attached. The Panel are asked at each meeting to review both documents.

**7. REVIEW OF BEST VALUE AND LOCAL PERFORMANCE INDICATORS (Pages 17 - 40)**

(Deputy Chief Executive) to consider the attached report.

**8. RACE EQUALITY SCHEME AND PROGRESS WITH EQUALITIES WORK (Pages 41 - 118)**

(Deputy Chief Executive) to consider the attached report.

**9. GENDER EQUALITY SCHEME AND DISABILITY EQUALITY SCHEME (Pages 119 - 124)**

(Deputy Chief Executive) to consider the attached report.

**10. 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.

**11. FUTURE MEETINGS**

To consider the forward programme of meeting dates for the new municipal year for this Panel.

17<sup>th</sup> June 2008;  
19<sup>th</sup> August 2008;  
11<sup>th</sup> November 2008;  
13<sup>th</sup> January 2009;  
10<sup>th</sup> February 2009 and  
31<sup>st</sup> March 2009.