

Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel Thursday, 3rd June, 2010

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

Time: 7.30 pm

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Members:

As appointed at the Annual Council Meeting on 25 May 2010

A BRIEFING FOR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PANEL WILL BE HELD AT
7.00 PM PRIOR TO THE MEETING

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2. SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

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

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(Assistant to the Chief Executive). To declare interests in any items of the agenda.

In considering whether to declare a personal or a prejudicial interest under the Code of Conduct, Overview and Scrutiny members are asked to 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 Overview and Scrutiny 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 Overview and Scrutiny meeting purely for the purpose of answering questions or providing information on such a matter.

4. NOTES FROM THE LAST MEETING (Pages 3 - 12)

To agree the notes of the last meeting held on 11 February 2010 (attached).

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE (Pages 13 - 14)

The Terms of Reference are attached.

6. WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 15 - 18)

The Work Programme is attached.

7. IMPROVEMENT PLAN (Pages 19 - 30)

(Director of Planning and Economic Development). To consider the attached Improvement Plan.

8. PLANNING APPEALS AND THE INSTRUCTING OF COUNSEL (Pages 31 - 34)

(Director of Corporate Support Services) To consider the attached report.

9. GOVERNMENT RESPONSE - EPPING FOREST GYPSY AND TRAVELLER DEVELOPMENT PLAN DOCUMENT (Pages 35 - 44)

(Director of Planning Services and Economic Development). To note the attached report.

10. INSURANCE COVER FOR THE COST OF ADVERSE PLANNING APPEALS (Pages 45 - 46)

(Principal Accountant) To note the attached report.

11. PLANNING DIRECTORATE STAFF FAMILY TREE

(Director of Planning and Economic Development) Report to follow.

12. THE PLANIT (Pages 47 - 54)

(Director of Planning Services and Economic Development). Attached is the first two issues of The Planit, the Planning Directorate's staff newsletter.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

14. DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The next programmed meeting of the Panel is on 2 September 2010 and thereafter on:

2 December 2010; and
3 March 2011