Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



Safer, Cleaner, Greener Scrutiny Standing Panel Monday, 17th October, 2011

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping

Time: 7.30 pm

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Members:

Councillors Mrs M Sartin (Chairman), Mrs C Pond (Vice-Chairman), K Avey, W Breare-Hall, Mrs T Cochrane, Ms Y Knight, A Mitchell MBE, G Mohindra, P Spencer and Mrs E Webster

SUBSTITUTE NOMINATION DEADLINE:

18:30

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. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

(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 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 OS Committee which relates to a decision of or action by another Committee or Sub-Committee of 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 - 12)

To agree the notes of the last meeting held on 7 July 2011 (attached). The notes of that meeting had the District Council's Draft Climate Change Strategy and the Local Biodiversity Action Plan attached to them as an appendix. It was felt that for reasons of economy and brevity they should not be attached to the notes which are attached here. However they can be accessed on the District Council's website by right clicking on the address below and using "Open Hyperlink," please go to "Printed Minutes," and pages 9-70.

Agenda for Safer, Cleaner, Greener Scrutiny Standing Panel on Thursday, 7th July, 2011, 7.30 pm

5. TERMS OF REFERENCE AND WORK PROGRAMME (Pages 13 - 18)

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

6. ENVIRONMENT AGENCY CONSULTATION - RIVER RODING CATCHMENT (Pages 19 - 30)

(Director pf Planning and Economic Development) To consider the attached report.

At the Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel on 13 September, a report was considered regarding the Environment Agency and the River Roding Catchment. Members of the Safer, Cleaner, Greener Scrutiny Standing Panel were invited to this meeting as well. The Panel members agreed for a response to member's concerns from Environment Agency officers to be submitted to either the Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel on 3 October or Safer, Cleaner, Greener Scrutiny Standing Panel on 11 October. However, there hasn't been sufficient time to submit a report to these panels, and the Safer, Cleaner, Greener Panel for 11 October has now been cancelled.

On Tuesday 4 October Environment Agency officers visited EFDC Environment and Street Scene officers to discuss the questions and concerns raised by members at the 13 September meeting which the Environment Agency officers attended and to respond to earlier questions raised by EFDC officers. Officers have until the end of October to finalise the District Council's response and have it approved by the relevant panel. To reciprocate the arrangement at the Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel on 13 September, officers are inviting members of the Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel to attend this meeting.

The report submitted to the Planning Services Scrutiny Standing Panel on 13 September 2011 is attached as an appendix.

7. WASTE MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD (DRAFT) MEETING OF 16 JUNE 2011 (Pages 31 - 34)

(Director of Environment and Street Scene) Attached are the minutes from the Waste Management Partnership Board meeting of 16 June 2011 for the Panel's information.

8. BOBBINGWORTH FORMER LANDFILL SITE LOCAL LIAISON GROUP (DRAFT) MEETING OF 25 MAY 2011 (Pages 35 - 38)

(Director of Environment and Street Scene) Attached are the draft minutes of the Bobbingworth Former Landfill Site Local Liaison Group Meeting of 25 May 2011.

9. INTER-AUTHORITY AGREEMENT MEMBER WORKING GROUP (UNAPPROVED) MEETING OF 7 JUNE 2011 (Pages 39 - 44)

(Director of Environment and Street Scene) Attached are the draft unapproved minutes of the Inter-Authority Agreement Member Working Group meeting of 7 June 2011.

10. FUTURE MEETINGS

The next scheduled meeting of the Panel is on Tuesday 10 January 2012 at 7.00p.m. in Committee Room 1, and thereafter on the following days:

Tuesday 21 February at 7.00p.m. in Committee Room 1; and

Tuesday 10 April at 7.00p.m. in Committee Room 1