# Scrutiny Standing Panel Agenda



# Safer, Cleaner, Greener Scrutiny Standing Panel Tuesday, 2nd April, 2013

You are invited to attend the next meeting of **Safer, Cleaner, Greener Scrutiny Standing Panel**, which will be held at:

Committee Room 1, Civic Offices, High Street, Epping on Tuesday, 2nd April, 2013 at 7.30 pm

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#### Members:

Councillors Mrs J Lea (Chairman), Mrs M Sartin (Vice-Chairman), K Avey, Mrs H Brady, Mrs T Cochrane, L Girling, Ms Y Knight, G Mohindra, S Murray, Mrs P Smith and P Spencer

### **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 & 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 - 12)

To agree the notes of the last meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February 2013.

#### 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. This is attached. The Panel are asked at each meeting to review both documents.

#### 6. REVIEW OF EA FLOOD MANAGEMENT OF RIVER RODING

#### Update on River Roding Flood Risk Management Strategy

The minutes of the SCG Scrutiny Standing Panel 17/10/11 resolved that a further report be submitted to this panel once the strategy was in place and the wider implications were known.

The strategy is not yet in place and the full implications are not yet known so a full report is not appropriate at this stage, however the following short update may be useful.

The Environment Agency's (EA) internal decision board has formally signed off on the proposals for withdrawing maintenance, constructing a large flood storage area at Shonks Mill (south west of Ongar) and managing surface water in Redbridge.

The EA is drafting a 'post-adoption statement' which will explain the processes to put in place their proposals. This will give the Council a better indication of the timescales involved and when our residents will be affected.

There is a formal protocol that the EA must follow when it withdraws maintenance. It must undertake a six month 'communication period' where legal issues are resolved and residents are fully informed of the impacts from the withdrawal of maintenance. It must then give a further two year notice period before any maintenance is withdrawn. The EA has stated that during this two year period it will be working with affected residents on individual property protection measures to minimise any risk to the residents. After the two-year notice period the EA maintenance on the River Roding will cease.

The EA has not yet commenced its 'communication period' so any maintenance withdrawal is at least two and a half years away.

The EA has decided to proceed with the construction of the large flood storage reservoir at Shonks Mill. However there is a funding shortfall for this project and the EA has indicated that the Shonks Mill reservoir is a 10 year project with that time scale necessary in order to secure funding. Therefore no construction will commence within

the next 10 years.

As the third proposals for managing surface water are outside of our district in Redbridge, officers are not familiar with the timescales for implementation of those proposals.

When the 'post-adoption statement' is released by the EA and more details are known, a further update will be presented to this panel.

#### 7. CSP STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT REPORT (Pages 19 - 68)

(Director of Environment and Street Scene) To consider the attached report.

## 8. REVIEW OF COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP SCRUTINY (Pages 69 - 70)

(Director of Environment and Street Scene) To consider the attached report.

## 9. HIGHWAY ACCIDENT STATISTICS (Pages 71 - 72)

(Director of Environment and Street Scene) To consider the attached report.

## 10. SUSTAINABILITY UPDATES (Pages 73 - 74)

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

# 11. EFDC GREEN CORPORATE WORKING PARTY MINUTES - 3 DECEMBER 2012 (Pages 75 - 78)

To note the GCWP minutes dated 3 December 2012.

# 12. INTER AUTHORITY AGREEMENT MEMBER WORKING GROUP MINUTES (Pages 79 - 84)

To note the minutes of the IAA Member Working Group dated 29 November 2012.

#### 13. NORTH ESSEX PARKING PARTNERSHIP MINUTES (Pages 85 - 94)

To note the minutes of the NEPP Joint Committee for on-street parking – 4 October 2012.

### 14. WASTE MANAGEMENT PARTNERSHIP BOARD MINUTES (Pages 95 - 110)

To note the Waste Management Partnership Board Minutes for 5 November 2012, 7 January 2013 and March 2013.

#### 15. MINUTES OF THE LOCAL HIGHWAYS PANEL (Pages 111 - 124)

To note the minutes of the Local Highways Panel meeting held on 28 January 2013.

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

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