

NAME: Councillor J Phillip

NAME OF COUNCIL (1): Birmingham City Council

<http://www.birmingham.gov.uk/scrutiny>

DID THE WEBSITE HAVE A SCRUTINY PAGE?:

Yes, but not immediately visible from the home page

COMMENT ON HOW INFORMATIVE WAS THE SCRUTINY SECTION?:

A lot of interrelated information. Easy to find current topics under consideration, agendas, committee membership etc.

ARE THERE ANY DIFFERENCES IN THE OPERATION OF SCRUTINY THAT ARE WORTH FURTHER INVESTIGATION?:

Significant amount of community engagement

Breadth of topics considered: police, fire, health, education, business, transport

DID YOU FEEL THAT THE WEBSITE PROMOTED A HIGH PROFILE FOR SCRUTINY AND WERE THERE ANY ASPECTS THAT COULD BE INVESTIGATED BY THE PANEL?:

Won a scrutiny award in both of the last two years. Profile not as high as might be expected.

Scrutiny appears to have a significant amount of looking at community issues rather than just internal detail.

Q&A on what scrutiny does and how it works

GENERAL COMMENTS ON WEBSITE:

Basic home page. Fairly old style. A lot of information but well linked.

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NAME: Councillor J Phillip

NAME OF COUNCIL (2): Suffolk County Council

www.suffolk.gov.uk/CouncilAndDemocracy

DID THE WEBSITE HAVE A SCRUTINY PAGE?:

Yes, but not immediately accessible form the home page.

COMMENT ON HOW INFORMATIVE WAS THE SCRUTINY SECTION?:

A degree of detail, difficult initially to dive down to find specific information. Pages seemed to initially be focussed around the scrutiny officer and not the elected representatives.

Difficult to find the membership of the committees.

Only 5 reports. No annual report

ARE THERE ANY DIFFERENCES IN THE OPERATION OF SCRUTINY THAT ARE WORTH FURTHER INVESTIGATION?

Six monthly scrutiny news letters on line

DID YOU FEEL THAT THE WEBSITE PROMOTED A HIGH PROFILE FOR SCRUTINY AND WERE THERE ANY ASPECTS THAT COULD BE INVESTIGATED BY THE PANEL?:

The profile was not high.

GENERAL COMMENTS ON WEBSITE:

Relatively modern look for the site, Good use of images and colour.

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