Planning Services Standing Panel					
Item	Report Deadline/Priority	Progress/Comments	Programme of Future Meetings		
(1) New Local Development Scheme and East of England Plan and to keep an overview of work associated with securing a sound New Local Development Framework (LDF)	Regular updating reports	Final version of the East of England Plan to 2021 complete. LDF timeline to be presented.	8 th June 2009 8 th September 10 th November 5 th January 2010		
(2) To consider the provision of Value for Money within the following Planning Services:		VFM Task and Finish report went to September 08 meeting and the November 08 O&S Cttee meeting where it was endorsed.	11 th February 27 th March		
a) Administration and Customer Support					
b) Building Control	Report at Panel – Sept 09				
c) Development Control (including Appeals)					
d) Economic Development	Report at Panel – June 09	To include response to Economic Downturn.			
e) Enforcement	Report at Panel – June 09 with revised reports later				
f) Environment Team					
g) Forward Planning					
(3) Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of Area Planning Cttees. to be invited to a meeting to provide feedback.		Considered at the March 09 meeting. The next meeting was taking place on October 15 2009.			

(4) Report from legal on performance at Planning appeals.	June 2009	Separate meeting to be arranged involving Chairman of Panel, Director of Planning & legal officers	
(5) Comments from the planning agents and amenity groups required matching.		New meetings with planning agents and amenity groups can be organised separately or together.	
(6) That a report be produced setting out the benefits of creating an additional Senior Officer post, replacing the Compliance Officer post with reference to outcomes, options for funding the new post with consideration given to alternative options for securing the same benefits.	Considered at June 2009 meeting. On this current agenda – November 2009.	Deferred to later meeting. Report has been to the Corporate Executive Forum on September 30 2009.	
(7) That a report be produced for the Panel setting out the possible route any planning enforcement investigation could take	Report considered in June 2009 now revised version for January 2010 meeting.	Deferred to September 2009 panel meeting, report to include financial implications.	
(8) Comments from local councils	January 2010	Referred from Constitution & Member Services Panel at request of Chairman of Planning Scrutiny Panel.	
(9) Essex County Council Consultation – Minerals Development Document Site Allocations Issues and Options Paper.	On this agenda. New consultation document, report submitted to Cabinet Local Development Committee on 9 November		
(10) EERA Consultation – 2031 Scenarios for Housing & Economic Growth.	On this agenda. New consultation document. Report submitted to Cabinet pre-briefing on 9 November.		

(11) (i) Re use of buildings in the Green Belt/Traffic Issues in the Roydon and Nazeing Areas. (ii) To keep an overview on transport matters that were the subject of a focus day in Nazeing in March 2007, and the action plan.		On going – VOSA attended meeting of the old Environment and Planning Standing Panel on 28 Feb 2008. Awaiting Essex C.C. transport freight strategy for the Nazeing area.	
(12) Update on current staffing situation	Regular agenda item.		
(13) Improvement Plan	Regular agenda item.		
(14) Update on Gypsy and Traveller Consultation	Regular agenda item.		