

**Request by Member for Scrutiny Review  
2010/11 Work Programme**



Please complete the form below to request consideration of your issue by the  
Overview and Scrutiny Committee

<b>Proposers Name:</b>	<b>Date of Request</b>
<b>Councillor Mrs D. Collins Leader of the Council</b>	<b>26.5.10</b>
<b>Supporting Councillors (if any):</b>	
<b>Summary of Issue you wish to be scrutinised:</b>	
<p><b>(a) Appointments</b></p> <p><b>My request relates to the Annual Council meeting. I wish to see a review by Overview &amp; Scrutiny of the process for agreeing the various appointments which the Council must be made at each Annual meeting.</b></p> <p><b>This review should cover:</b></p> <p><b>.(i) briefing of group leaders and independent members regarding pro rata requirements before the elections;</b></p> <p><b>.(ii) how consultation between political groups might be improved;</b></p> <p><b>.(iii) whether the principle of pro rata allocations on outside organisations is still fit for purpose; and</b></p> <p><b>.(iv) how voting on appointments to outside organisations can be made easier, including ways of monitoring appointments made easier to avoid mistakes if pro rata is to be retained;</b></p> <p><b>.(v) how the paperwork can be made simpler;</b></p> <p><b>.(vi) whether there are other options for making these decisions which do not require full Council decision making; and</b></p> <p><b>(vii) how can the ceremonial aspects of the Annual Council meeting be improved.</b></p> <p><b>(b) Appointment of Vice Chairman of the Council</b></p> <p><b>. a review of the current protocol for the appointment of a new Vice Chairman of the Council each year, examining whether the current system of appointing on merit with candidates being nominated by members of more than one group is appropriate.</b></p>	

**NOTE: ENTRIES BELOW RELATE TO ISSUE CATEGORIES OF THE PICK PROCESS. PLEASE REFER TO THE EXPLANATORY NOTES TO THIS FORM FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

**Public Interest Justification:**

**The Annual Council should be a flagship event for the Council and should present to the public an impression of an orderly transfer of authority at the start of the new Council year.**

**This is not always achieved.**

**Impact on the social, economic and environmental well-being of the area:**

**Nothing direct.**

**Council Performance in this area (if known: Red, Amber, Green):**

**A previous review of these matters (raised in the context of Council meetings generally) produced some proposals for improvement and a follow up on that work would be useful.**

**Keep in Context (are other reviews taking place in this area?)**

**No. The previous review of Council meetings is however relevant.**

**Office Use:**

**Pick score:**

**Considered By OSCC:**