

Planning Services Standing Panel 2010/2011 (Appendix 1)

| Item | Report Deadline / Priority | Progress / Comments | Programme of Future Meetings |
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| (1) Reports to each meeting on; (a) Regional Plan (b) Local Development Framework (c) Current Staffing (d) Improvement Plan (e) Any recent meeting of the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Area and District Committees Invitation Panel. | Regular updating reports to each meeting | | 3 June 2010 2 September 11 October – Extra Ordinary Meeting 2 December ; 10 January 2011 – Extra Ordinary Meeting 3 March 2011 |
| (2) Value for Money Provision: (a) Administration & Customer Support (b) Building Control (c) Development Control (including Appeals) (d) Economic Development (e) Enforcement (f) Environment Team (g) Forward Planning (h) Performance | Provide a report after the end of Quarter 4 on 2(c)+ 2(e) and periodically on the other areas. | | |
| (4) Report from Legal on performance at Planning Appeals | June 2009 | COMPLETED | |
| (5) Meet annually with planning agents and amenity groups required matching | Reports to reflect available meeting | COMPLETED – Meeting has taken place, minutes were circulated at the Panel meeting in January 2011 and have been sent to agents/ amenity group attendees. | |
| (6) That a report be produced for the Panel setting out the possible route any planning enforcement investigation could take. | | COMPLETED | |
| (7) Review the Corporate Planning protocol with respect to dealing with applicants, agents, developers and the local business community to ensure that the highest standards of probity and governance are achieved. | | COMPLETED - Referred to the Standards Committee | |

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| (8) To review a selection of controversial planning decisions to see if lessons can be learnt from their consideration. | Site meetings organised for Saturday 5 th March | This item has been extracted from the Terms of Reference of the Provision for Value for Money within Planning Services Task and Finish Panel and the current Panel. | |
| (9) To consider whether the reporting arrangements for Terms of Reference sections and those from the Section 106s (including how they are negotiated agreed and implemented strategically to secure community benefit), and appeals are sufficient (including how new legislation impacts on these) and recommend accordingly | | This item has been extracted from the Terms of Reference of the Provision for Value for Money within Planning Services Task and Finish Panel and the current Panel. | |
| (11) Planning conditions controlling damage to highways infrastructure | December 2010 | COMPLETED | |
| (12) Contributions to affordable housing (S106 Agreements) | New Item | Carry forward to next year | |
| (13) Liaise with other planning authorities to learn from their work. | New Item | Quarterly meeting with other Essex Authorities discuss and share working practices. Benchmarking underway as part of local fee setting and charging of planning application fees. | |
| (14) Countrycare | Submitted to 2 September 2010 Panel meeting. | COMPLETED - Future structure following the departure of Paul Hewitt. | |
| (15) Consultations from Hertfordshire Councils regarding Core Strategies | October 11 2010 | COMPLETED - Consultations to be considered at extra-ordinary panel meeting on October 11 2010. | |
| (16) Tree Preservation Order Consultation | December 2010 | COMPLETED - Government Consultation | |
| (17) New Homes Bonus Consultation | December 2010 | COMPLETED - Government Consultation | |
| (18) Essex County Council Minerals Development Document: Preferred Approach Paper | January 2011 | COMPLETED | |

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| (19) Planning Fees - Consultation | January 2011 | COMPLETED – Government Consultation | |
| (20) Harlow Council – Core Strategy Issues and Options Consultation Document | January 2011 | COMPLETED | |
| (21) Request for District Development Fund | January 2011 | COMPLETED | |
| (22) Town Centre Officer Post/Future Management of Town Centre | January 2011 | COMPLETED | |
| (23) Standard letters of justification on enforcement and planning applications | New Item | COMPLETED | |
| (24) General Approach to Assessing Impact on Light | New Item | COMPLETED | |