## Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme – 2006/07

As at 15 May 2006

| Item  | Report<br>Deadline/Priority | Progress/Comments    | Programme of Future Meetings |
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|   | Hou                         | using Standing Panel |                              |
| (1) Annual Ethnic Monitoring<br>Review of Housing Applicants                    | Medium                      | July 2006            | 27 July, 31 October 2006,    |
| (2) Updated draft Housing<br>Strategy   | High                        | July 2006            | 30 January 30 April 2007.    |
| (3) Empty Property Strategy   | High                        | July 2006            |                              |
| (4) Housing Service Strategy on the Private Rented Sector                       | Low                         | July 2006            |                              |
| (5) Housing Service Strategy on<br>Empty Council Properties                     | Low                         | July 2006            |                              |
| (6) Annual Review of the Housing Allocations Scheme                             | High                        | October 2006         |                              |
| (7) Six-monthly Progress Report on Local Supporting People Strategy Action Plan | Medium                      | October 2006         |                              |
| (8) Private Sector Housing Assistance Policy                                    | High                        | October 2006         |                              |
| (9) Six-monthly Progress Report on Housing Strategy Action Plan                 | Medium                      | January 2007         |                              |
| (10) Updated draft HRA Business<br>Plan   | High                        | April 2007           |                              |
| (11) Updated draft Local<br>Supporting People Strategy                          | High                        | April 2007           |                              |

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| (12) Implementation of Choice<br>Based Lettings  | High                                       | Final Report April 2007   |  |
|  | Constitutional and                         | d Member Services Standing Panel  |  |
| (1) Council Meetings –<br>Completion of Review of Future<br>Role.  | ТВА  | <b>Underway</b> - Options under consideration at present out for consultation with Members.                                       | 6 June, 7 August,<br>10 October, 4<br>December 2006, 8     |
| (2) Review of Area Planning Sub  - Committees  | TBA  | Ditto   | February, 2 April<br>2007                                  |
| (3) Complaints Against Councillors – Review of Support.  | ТВА  | <b>Underway</b> – Report to be submitted to Panel on 6 June 2006  |  |
| (4) Review of Changes in the legal requirements concerning postal voting and resource implications/ procedures for electoral registration. | By May 2006 (subject<br>to OPDM) timetable | Underway  |  |
| (5) Review of Opportunities for Participation in further Electoral Pilots.   | By May 2006 (subject to OPDM) timetable    | Completed   |  |
| (6) Completion of Review of Parliamentary Constituencies.  | By May 2006 (subject to OPDM) timetable    | Possible reserve list item as awaiting government proposals   |  |
| (7) Re-use of Public Sector Information Guidelines   | TBA  | <b>New Task</b> allocated to the Panel previously under remit of Customer Services and ICT Standing Panel                         |  |
|  | Environmental and                          | d Planning Services Standing Panel  |  |
| (1) Essex County Joint Waste<br>Procurement Process  | Ongoing                                    | Underway – Panel to consider decisions of the West<br>Essex Waste Joint Management Committee as and when<br>they become available | 26 June, 29 August,<br>30 October, 19<br>December 2006, 26 |

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| (2) New Local Development<br>Scheme                                   | Ongoing                     |   | February, 26 April 2007.   |
| (3) Re use of buildings in the Green Belt                             | September 2006              | <b>Underway -</b> Further report to be submitted to Panel on 26 June 2006   |  |
| (4) East of England Plan  | Summer 2006                 | Underway: Findings of Examination in Public awaited   |  |
| (5) Provision of<br>Neighbourhood/Community<br>Wardens                | September 2006              | Underway  |  |
| (6) Ongoing Traveller Issues  | Ongoing                     | New item for Panel – added by OSC on 16 March 2006  |  |
| (7) Planning Performance – monitoring of enforcement figures/outcomes | Ongoing                     | New item – added by OSC on 16 March 2006  |  |
|   | Finance and Perfor          | mance Management Standing Panel   |  |
| (1) Best Value Performance Data                                       | Quarterly                   | Underway: Monitoring of BVPP basket to be undertaken next on 1 June 2006 Draft Best Value Performance Plan 2006/07 considered on 25 April 2006. | 1 June, 15 August,<br>14 November 2005,<br>15 January,<br>12 February 2007 |
| (2) Performance (Services to be scrutinised in Rotation)              |                             | <b>Underway</b> : Land Charges and Legal and Administration Services to be scrutinised at next meeting.   |  |
| (3) Quarterly Financial Monitoring                                    | 2006/07                     | <b>Underway</b> : Quarterly information to be submitted to the Panel on 15 August 2006.   |  |
| (4) Annual Audit Plan   | February 2007               | Referred by OSC on 2 March 2006   |  |
| (5) Review of Local Land charges                                      |                             | Underway: Report on increase requested  |  |
| (6) Local Area Agreements   |                             | New item added by OSC on 16 March 2006  |  |

|   | Customer Se     | rvices and ICT Standing Panel                              |   |
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| (1) Customer Contact Centre   |                 |  | 12 June, 14 August,<br>16 October,12<br>December 2006, 7<br>February, 19 April<br>2007. |
| (2) Review of Council's IEG<br>Strategy   |                 | Report on IEG6 to be submitted to the Panel in Summer 2006 |   |
|   | Task and Fir    | nish Panel on Leisure Services                             |   |
| (1) Future Management of<br>Waltham Abbey Sports Centre                           |                 | New Proposal submitted in March 2006                       | ТВА   |
| (2) Review of Future Management of the Roding Valley Meadows Local Nature Reserve |                 | Ditto  |   |
| (3) Review of Arts Development in the District                                    |                 | Ditto  |   |
| (4) District Council's Role and involvement in Outdoor and Community Events       |                 | Ditto  |   |
|   | Town Centre and | d Car Parks Task and Finish Panel                          |   |
| (1) Future Development of Town<br>Centres in the District                         |                 | New Proposal submitted in March 2006                       | ТВА   |
| (2) Role of Car Parks and Parking in general in relation to Town Centres          |                 | Ditto  |   |

| Crime and Disorder Task and Finish Panel   |   |                                      |                          |  |  |
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| Crime and Disorder Act 1998 -<br>Government Review and<br>Recommendations  |   | New Proposal submitted in March 2006 | ТВА                      |  |  |
|  | Local Strategic Partnership Task and Finish Panel |                                      |                          |  |  |
| Review of Government Consultation paper 'Local Strategic Partnerships - shaping their future'                    |   | New Proposal submitted in March 2006 | ТВА                      |  |  |
|  | Older and Disab                                   | led Persons Task and Finish Panel    |                          |  |  |
| Review of Services provided by this Council and associated voluntary agencies to older persons and the disabled. |   | New Proposal submitted in March 2006 | ТВА                      |  |  |
| Traveller Issues Task and Finish Panel   |   |                                      |                          |  |  |
| Review of particular unauthorised developments encampments and arrangements for 'tolerated' sites                |   | Underway                             | Next mtg: 8 June<br>2006 |  |  |
| Government Guidance and District Local Plan  | March/April 2006                                  |                                      |                          |  |  |
| Commission for Racial Equality Findings  | June/July 2006                                    |                                      |                          |  |  |

| Outstanding PWG2 matters                           |                                 |   |                                   |  |  |  |
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|  | Overview and Scrutiny Committee |   |                                   |  |  |  |
| (1) Liaison with London<br>Underground Ltd         | Ongoing on six monthly basis.   |   | 6 July, 31 August, 5<br>October,  |  |  |  |
| (2) Liaison on Highways Local<br>Service Agreement |                                 |   | 9 November, 7<br>December 2006, 1 |  |  |  |
| (3) Scrutiny of organised bodies - PCT             |                                 |   | February, 8 March, 5 April 2007.  |  |  |  |
| (4) Liaison with Epping Forest College             | May 2006                        | Principal of College to attend this OSC   |                                   |  |  |  |
| (5) Liaison with Essex Police                      | July 2006                       | Essex Police invited to attend July 2006. Issues for discussion include progress with Neighbourhood Policing and restructure proposals. |                                   |  |  |  |
| (6) Draft Council Plan 2006-2010                   | July 2006 OSC                   | Underway  |                                   |  |  |  |