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**Select Committee on Regeneration Culture and Adult Education – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2006**

**Report of the Lead Officer**

**Appointment of Working Groups**

**Purpose of Report**

1. To consider the appointment of Working Groups of the Committee for the ensuing municipal year.

**Background**

2. The Committee was asked to consider the appointment of Working Groups in the 2005/06 municipal year. The following Working Group was appointed in the 2005/06 municipal year with the terms of reference, composition and membership indicated:
  - Economic Regeneration Working Group – to support and advise the Select Committee in its policy development and scrutiny role in the areas of regeneration and social inclusion; physical regeneration and economic development and developing the Council’s economic planning policies (including the Unitary Development Plan and other plans for the use and development of land). The Group comprised membership of the whole Committee.
3. At a special meeting of the former Select Committee on Economic Regeneration held on 12<sup>th</sup> April 2006, it was resolved that, given the importance of Section 106 Agreements to the Council, it be recommended that given current proposals to Select Committees in the future, working group structures be put in place to carry this issue forward to ensure full and proper scrutiny.
4. In consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman the setting up of the following Working Groups has been suggested:-
  - **Select Committee on Regeneration, Culture and Adult Education (Economic Regeneration) Working Group** - to support and advise the Select Committee in its policy development and scrutiny role as they relate to the regeneration of communities in the area; the physical regeneration of the area, including economic development; assisting in the development of the Council’s planning policies (including the Development Plan and other plans for the use and development of land).
  - **Select Committee on Regeneration, Culture and Adult Education (Culture and Recreation) Working Group** - to support and advise the Select Committee in its policy development and scrutiny role as they relate to the functions of the Council in relation to leisure, arts, sport and

recreational activities to enhance the quality of life for local people; the provision and management of museums, art galleries, theatres, local history service, libraries, leisure centres, swimming pools, parks and open space, cemeteries and crematoria, allotments and other like facilities.

- **Select Committee on Regeneration, Culture and Adult Education (Equality and Diversity) Working Group** - to support and advise the Select Committee in its policy development and scrutiny role as they relate to corporate issues relating to equality and diversity.

5. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman are of the view that, depending on issues arising during the course of the year relating to adult education, training and community learning, consideration be given to the setting up of a Working Group at that time, should it be deemed necessary.

### **Finance**

6. There are no direct financial consequences arising from this report.

### **Law**

7. Section 111 of the Local Government Act, 1972 enables the Council to do anything which is calculated to facilitate or is conducive or incidental to the discharge of its functions.

### **Equality Impact**

8. This report complies fully with the Council's policies on equal opportunities and diversity.
9. This report will have no specific effect on children and young people. There is no requirement for consultation with children and young people or the involvement of children and young people in noting the report.

### **Recommendation**

10. That the Committee determine the Working Groups to be appointed in the 2006/07 municipal year and agree the composition and membership and approve the terms of reference of Working Groups so appointed.



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### **List of Background Papers**

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