

Environment Scrutiny Committee – 16th June, 2011

Report of the Lead Officer to the Committee

Work Programme for 2011/12 and appointment of working groups

Purpose of Report

1. To consider a Work Programme for the Scrutiny Committee for 2011/12 and to give consideration to the appointment of working groups.

Background

2. It has previously been agreed as a matter of good practice, by Scrutiny Committee Chairmen, that Scrutiny Committees should identify a modest number of key priorities to form the basis of their Work Programmes. This is to ensure that members have sufficient time to scrutinise issues in detail whilst retaining some flexibility to add additional items to the Programme as they arise during the course of the year.
3. The following have been identified.

Date of Meeting

16/06/11

Item

Matters for information, e-mailed to Members, that they may wish to ask questions about (eg Equality and Diversity annual report).

Work Programme for 2011/12.

The Homelessness Service – Annual Report 2010/11

Air Quality Action Plan

Food Service Plan.

High Cost Voids

07/09/11	<p>Any questions on matters e-mailed for information (eg Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report).</p> <p>Annual Report of the Select Committee to Council.</p> <p>Outcome of recycling trial and recycling proposals</p>
07/11/11	<p>Matters for information, e-mailed to Members, that they may wish to ask questions about (eg Update on the Council's Capital Strategy and Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report, Food Service Plan and Recycling Working Group).</p> <p>Rogue Traders and Doorstep Crime.</p> <p>Age Restricted Products.</p>
23/01/12	<p>Any questions on matters e-mailed for information (eg Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report and update on Air Quality Management).</p> <p>Proposed Revenue Budget 2012/13</p> <p>Update on Air Quality Management.</p>
19/03/12	<p>Any questions on matters e-mailed for information (eg Quarterly Corporate Performance Management Report and Equality and Diversity Action Plan).</p> <p>Outline Work Programme 2011/12</p> <p>Tenancy and Estate Management</p>

4 As regards working groups of the Committee, the Chairman has requested that consideration be given by the Committee as to whether the Re-cycling Working Group and the Housing Working Group should be re-appointed for 2011/12.

Should it be decided not to re-appoint these groups and should a specific issue arise in future requiring the appointment of a working group then an ad hoc working group could be appointed on a time limited basis to consider the specific issue and report back to the Committee.

Finance

5. There are no direct financial implications arising from the content of this report.

Law

6. 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.

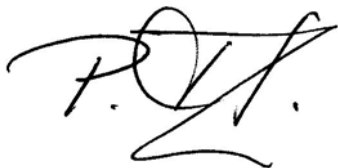
Equality Impact

7. This report complies with the Council's policies on equality and diversity. A number of issues to be considered will have both a direct and indirect impact on children and young people.

Recommendation

8. (a) That approval be given to the Work Programme of the Committee for 2011/12, as indicated in paragraph 3 above.

(b) That consideration be given to the appointment of working groups for 2011/12, as indicated in paragraph 4 above



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List of Background Papers

None.