ITEM 9

Minute Extract from Scrutiny Management Commission 7 June 2005

09/05 Overview and Scrutiny Objectives and Work Planning for 2005/06

The Commission considered a report from the Director of Corporate Services asking the Commission to agree the actions it would take in order to meet the objectives set out in the 2004/2005 Annual Report of the Overview and Scrutiny Commissions and develop a work plan for its topic and scrutiny review activities in the coming year. Consideration was given to retrospective scrutiny and it was agreed that in some cases scrutiny would be more beneficial than topics reviews.

Resolved

- 1. To agree the general approach set out in the report.
- 2. To include retrospective scrutiny as a standing item on Commission agendas.
- 3. To request the Director of Corporate Services to prepare a report on improving alignment of Commission portfolios with Council Cabinet members' areas of responsibility.
- 4. To consider the general structure and function of the Scrutiny Management Commission and its alignment with Council Cabinet as part of the work plan.
- 5. To extend a standing invitation to the Council Cabinet members to attend Commission pre agenda meetings, but to give the Council Cabinet member an indication of the agenda items beforehand.
- 6. To review the Annual Report Objectives at a future date in light of experience.