

Terms of Reference and the Work Programme of the Neighbourhoods Commission

RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 To consider the Commission's terms of reference and suggest items for the annual work programme 2011-12

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 2.1 It is usual for Overview and Scrutiny Commissions to consider their work plans and select topics that they wish to review in the coming year at the beginning of each municipal year. The reviews may cover anything within their remit and could include internal as well as external facing services. The remit of the Neighbourhoods Commission covers the following areas:

All functions within the responsibilities of the Strategic Director for Director for Neighbourhoods

[1. Within the responsibilities of the Cabinet Member for Planning and Environment – Cllr Holmes]

- Strategic planning and transport
- Buildings of heritage and importance
- Land drainage
- Spatial Strategy
- Local Development Framework
- Planning Control and Building Control
- Natural Environment
- Environmental Health, food health and safety and Trading Standards

[2. All responsibilities exercised by the Cabinet Member for Neighbourhoods – Cllr Poulter]

- Community cohesion
- Community participation and empowerment (including Neighbourhood Board and Forums)
- Highways and footpath maintenance including Derby Roads contract
- Traffic management

- Car parking
- Waste management and recycling
- Fly tipping
- Street cleaning and lighting
- Fleet management
- Health and Safety
- Public toilets
- Parks and grounds maintenance
- Cemeteries and crematorium

[3. All responsibilities exercised by the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Leisure and Culture – Cllr Jones]

- Leisure centres and coaching
- Sport-related grants
- Museums
- Libraries
- Arts and outdoor events
- Derby Live programme
- Theatres
- Physical Activity Strategy including B Active

- 2.2 The Council Constitution limits one topic review report to be submitted to the Council Cabinet every six months from scrutiny Commissions. This means that in theory it is possible for each Commission to conduct two reviews in each municipal year. Topic reviews are not mandatory, but if the Commission wishes to conduct in- depth reviews in the current year it is suggested that members should aim to have agreed on the review topic at the earliest opportunity.
- 2.3 To assist Commissions with their work plan they can draw on the overview and scrutiny budget which is shared between the six Commissions.
- 2.4 Members are asked to consider and suggest items for this years work programme.

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Background papers:	None
List of appendices:	Appendix 1 - Implications

Appendix 1

IMPLICATIONS

Financial and Value for Money

- 1.1 None arising directly from this report.

Legal

- 2.1 Section 21 (3) of the Local Government Act 2000 requires that the power of an overview and scrutiny committee to review or scrutinise a decision made but not implemented includes power to recommend that the decision be reconsidered by the person who made it.

Personnel

- 3.1 None arising directly from this report

Equalities Impact

- 4.1 Effective scrutiny benefits all Derby people.

Health and Safety

- 5.1 None arising directly from this report

Environmental Sustainability

- 6.1 None arising directly from this report

Asset Management

- 7.1 None arising directly from this report

Risk Management

- 8.1 None arising directly from this report

Corporate objectives and priorities for change

- 9.1 Our aim is to work together so that all people in Derby will enjoy Good health and well-being.