



AREA PANEL 1  
1 SEPTEMBER 2004

DERBY CITY COUNCIL

Report of the Chair of the Planning and Environment Commission

## Planning and Environment Commission Work Plan Topic Reviews 2004/05

- 1) Enforcement of the Dog Fouling Legislation
- 2) The Council's Tree Policy

### SUPPORTING INFORMATION

1.1 Each of the Councils Overview and Scrutiny Commissions is allowed to carry out two 'topic reviews' in each administrative year. At its meeting on 22 July 2004 members of the Council's Planning and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Commission agreed to carry out the following topic reviews in 2004/05:

- a) A review of the way in which the Council enforces the national legislation relating to the control of dog fouling
- b) A review of the Council's Tree Policy and the way in which it is applied

These topics were selected because they were felt to be issues of public concern and it was known that they were often raised at Area Panel meetings.

1.2 In order that they can develop representative recommendations to Council Cabinet, the Commission wishes to involve the public as fully as possible in both these reviews.

1.3 The purpose of presenting this report to the Area Panels is to advise members of the public of the topics that the Commission has chosen to review and to ask any one who wishes to contribute to the reviews to get in touch.

### ACTION

2.1 It is planned to start the review of the Council's Tree Policy in September with the intention of finishing the report by December 2004. The dog fouling review will take place during the first part of 2005. As part of the Tree Policy review, Commission members will be making site visits during September 2004 whilst there are still leaves on the trees.

2.2 The Commission would like to hear from members of the public about any particular problems they have experienced with dog fouling or with trees.

If you have something you would like to tell the Commission please contact one of the following:

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<b>Background papers:</b>	None
<b>List of appendices:</b>	Appendix 1 – Implications

<b>IMPLICATIONS</b>
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**Financial**

1. None arising from this report.

**Legal**

2. None arising from this report.

**Personnel**

3. None arising from this report.

**Equalities impact**

4. The reviews selected by the Commission will have outcomes that are of benefit to all Derby people

**Corporate objectives and priorities for change**

5. The reviews have the potential to impact on the following of the Councils objectives and priorities for change:

**Objectives:** Protecting and supporting people; A Healthy environment.

**Priorities for Change:** Responding to people's needs