

Environment and Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

Thursday, 25th January 2007

In the Committee Room 1, Town Hall, Chorley

At 6.30 pm



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- Questions must be submitted to the Democratic Services Section by no later than midday, two working days before the day of the meeting to allow time to prepare appropriate responses and investigate issues if necessary.
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Dear Councillor

ENVIRONMENT AND COMMUNITY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL - THURSDAY, 25TH JANUARY 2007

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Environment and Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel to be held in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Chorley on Thursday, 25th January 2007 commencing at 6.30 pm.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**

2. **Declarations of Any Interests**

Members of the Committee are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act 2000, the Council's Constitution and the Members Code of Conduct. If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest, then the individual Member should not participate in a discussion on the matter and must withdraw from the room and not seek to influence a decision on the matter.

3. **Minutes (Pages 1 - 4)**

To confirm as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting of the Environment and Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel held on 30 November 2006 (enclosed)

4. **Budget Scrutiny for 2007/2008**

- To receive an update on the high cost areas identified during the 2006/2007 scrutiny relating to Planning Services and Environmental Services
- To review the 2006 cost profiles prepared by the Audit Commission as compared to those in 2005 for the Planning Services and Environmental Services
- To review the likely impact of the efficiencies and savings on the Councils ability to deliver the promises in the Corporate Plan and the mitigation being put in place

Report of the Director of Finance to follow.

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5. **Neighbourhood Working - Inquiry (Pages 5 - 8)**

The Director of Streetscene, Neighbourhoods and Environment will report on the current position regarding the progress of the Inquiry. A copy of the amended inquiry-scoping document is enclosed for consideration.

As a reminder for Members, the dates set aside to interview various witnesses are as follows:

- Thursday, 1 February 2007
- Thursday, 8 February 2007
- Wednesday, 14 February 2007
- Thursday, 1 March 2007

All meetings will commence at 6.30pm and be held in the Town Hall.


The Panel will be requested to determine the arrangements / witnesses to be interviewed at each of the above meetings.

6. **Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2006/2007 (Pages 9 - 12)**

A copy of the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme for this Municipal Year with items relating to this Panel is enclosed

7. **Any other item(s) that the Chair decides is/are urgent**

Yours sincerely



Chief Executive

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2. Agenda and reports to Colin Campbell (Executive Director - Environment and Community), Gary Hall (Director of Finance), John Lechmere (Director of Streetscene, Neighbourhoods and Environment) and Gordon Bankes (Democratic Services Officer) for attendance.

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