

# Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda and Reports
For consideration on

## Monday, 11th August 2008

In Committee Room 1, Town Hall, Chorley

At 6.30 pm



### PROCEDURE FOR PUBLIC QUESTIONS/SPEAKING AT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MEETINGS

- 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.
- A maximum period of 3 minutes will be allowed for a question from a member of the public on an item on the agenda. A maximum period of 30 minutes to be allocated for public questions if necessary at each meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This will provide an opportunity for members of the public to raise and ask questions on any issue falling within the remit of the Committee.



Town Hall Market Street Chorley Lancashire PR7 1DP

31 July 2008

Dear Councillor

## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - MONDAY, 11TH AUGUST 2008

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held in Committee Room 1, Town Hall, Chorley on Monday, 11th August 2008 commencing at 6.30 pm.

#### **AGENDA**

#### 1. Apologies for absence

#### 2. <u>Declarations of Any Interests</u>

Members are reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest in respect of matters contained in this agenda. If the interest arises **only** as result of your membership of another public body or one to which you have been appointed by the Council then you only need to declare it if you intend to speak.

If the personal interest is a prejudicial interest, you must withdraw from the meeting. Normally you should leave the room before the business starts to be discussed. You do, however, have the same right to speak as a member of the public and may remain in the room to enable you to exercise that right and then leave immediately. In either case you must not seek to improperly influence a decision on the matter.

#### 3. Public Questions

Members of the public who have requested the opportunity to ask a question(s) on an item on the agenda will be asked to put their question(s) to the Committee. Each member of the public will be allowed to ask one question within his or her allocated 3 minutes.

#### 4. Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 23 June 2008 (enclosed)

#### 5. <u>Matters arising from the Minutes</u>

- Vulnerable Families (Minute 08.OS.38 (b) (ii) Verbal update from the Assistant Chief Executive (Policy and Performance)
- Astley Park Coach House/Adventure Playground (Minute 08.OS.40 (2). An update
  on this is provided in the Business Plan for the People Directorate found later in
  the agenda.
- Common Bank Reservoir (Minute 08.OS.40(3). A project update is provided in the Business Plan for the People Directorate found later in the agenda.
- Concessionary travel (Minute 08.OS.41 (3)

#### a) Waste Management Contract

The Committee at its last meeting requested a report/presentation on the new Waste Management Contract. (Minute 08.OS.44 refers).

The Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods) and the Executive Member (Neighbourhoods) have been invited to the meeting to discuss the new contract.

#### b) <u>Memorial Safety in Closed Churchyards</u>

The Committee at its last meeting requested a report on this subject (Minute 08.OS.40 (4) refers)

Report of Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods) (to follow)

#### 6. Neighbourhoods Directorate - Value for Money Review

The Committee at its last meeting, whilst considering the Forward Plan, indicated its wish to have an opportunity to consider and comment on this report in advance of its consideration by the Executive Cabinet.

The report of Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) is to follow.

The Value for Money Review documents to append the report have not been printed as part of the agenda package due to the large number of pages. A copy of the document is available in the Members Room but it can also be viewed in the Members Library Section on the Loop through the following link:

http://democracy.chorley.gov.uk/ecSDDisplay.asp?ID=218&RPID=47751&sch=doc&cat=12747&path=0,326,12747

#### 7. Executive Cabinet - 14 August 2008

To consider any reports on the agenda for the Executive Cabinet meeting to be held on 14<sup>th</sup> August 2008 which are not already on the agenda.

Members of the Committee are requested to notify the Democratic Services Section by 12 noon Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2008 to ensure the attendance of the appropriate Executive Member.

Please bring your copy of the Executive Cabinet agenda previously circulated.

#### 8. Revenue Budget Monitoring 2008/09 Report 1 (End of June 2008) (Pages 7 - 14)

Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) (enclosed)

#### 9. Capital Programme, 2008/09 - Monitoring (Pages 15 - 24)

Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation) (enclosed).

#### 10. Chorley Partnership 1st Quarter 2008/9 Progress Report (Pages 25 - 30)

Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Policy & Performance) (enclosed)

#### 11. Chorley Partnership Annual Performance Report 2007/8 (Pages 31 - 64)

Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Policy & Performance) (enclosed)

#### 12. **Forward Plan** (Pages 65 - 70)

To consider the Councils current Forward Plan for the four month period 1 August 2008 to 30 November 2008 (copy enclosed).

Will Members please note that the Committee at previous meetings have requested to examine with the appropriate Director the under mentioned reports prior to any decision being taken by the Executive.

- Chorley Community Safety Partnership Local Action Plan
- Approval of the Neighbourhoods Directorate Value for Money Review and Structure. (This item is to be considered else where on the agenda)

#### 13. <u>Business Plan Monitoring Statements - 1 April to 30 June 2008</u> (Pages 71 - 106)

A summary of the Business Plan Monitoring Statements completed by the Directorates is enclosed.

To consider the first quarter Business Plan and Performance Monitoring Statements for the following Directorates:

- Business Directorate (enclosed)
- Neighbourhoods Directorate (enclosed)
- People Directorate (enclosed)
- Business Transformation Directorate (enclosed)
- Policy and Performance Directorate (enclosed)

Members of the Committee are requested to notify the Democratic Services Section by 12 noon Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2008 if they have any questions on the above reports to ensure a full answer from the relevant Director/Executive Member.

Whilst questions can still be raised at the meeting an answer cannot be guaranteed and a written response may have to be provided after the meeting.

## 14. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme (enclosed) and verbal report from the Task and Finish Groups (Pages 107 - 112)

## Task and Finish Group Chorley and Community Housing

To receive a verbal update as well as the scoping document for the inquiry. (enclosed)

#### Streetscene

To receive a verbal update on the inquiry

Joint Scrutiny Inquiry with Preston and South Ribble on Affordable Housing To receive a verbal update on the inquiry

#### 15. Any other item(s) the Chair decides is/are urgent

#### 16. Performance Monitoring Report - First Quarter of 2008/09 (Pages 113 - 126)

Report of Assistant Chief Executive (Policy and Performance)

#### 17. Press and Public Excluded Item

To consider the exclusion of the press and public for the following item of business on the ground that it involves the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 1 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

#### 18. **Neighbourhood Directorate - Restructure**

The Committee at its last meeting, whilst considering the Forward Plan, indicated its wish to have an opportunity to consider and comment on this report in advance of its consideration by the Executive Cabinet.

Report of Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods) (to follow)

Yours sincerely

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#### **Distribution**

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- 2. Agenda and reports to Donna Hall (Chief Executive), Lesley-Ann Fenton (Assistant Chief Executive (Policy and Performance)), Gary Hall (Assistant Chief Executive (Business Transformation)), Ishbel Murray (Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods)), Jamie Carson (Corporate Director (People)), Jane Meek (Corporate Director (Business)), Carol Russell (Head of Democratic) and Gordon Bankes (Democratic Services Officer) for attendance.

3. Agenda and reports to Councillor Eric Bell (Executive Member (Neighbourhoods)) for attendance.

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