

Overview and Scrutiny Task Group - Town Centre Vitality

Agenda and Reports
for consideration on

Thursday, 20th August 2009

in Committee Room No. 1, Town Hall, Chorley

At 6.30 pm or on the rising of the Local Development
Framework Working Group, whichever is the later



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14 August 2009

Dear Councillor

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY TASK GROUP - TOWN CENTRE VITALITY - THURSDAY, 20TH AUGUST 2009

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Task Group - Town Centre Vitality to be held in Committee Room No 1, Town Hall, Chorley on Thursday, 20th August 2009 commencing at 6.30 pm, or on the rising of the Local Development Framework Working Group, whichever is the later.

AGENDA

1. **Apologies for absence**
2. **Declarations of Any Interests**

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. **Minutes of last meeting (Pages 1 - 4)**

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Town Centre Overview and Scrutiny Task Group held on 6 August 2009 (Minutes enclosed).

4. **Scoping of the Review (Pages 5 - 6)**

A further blank copy of the scoping document is attached. The document will be completed at the meeting to take account of the Group's acceptance of the recommended terms of reference, aims and objectives, desired outcomes, documentary evidence, identification of witnesses, etc, as outlined in the minutes of the initial meeting of the Group and Members' discussions on the remaining agenda items.

5. **Documentary evidence (Pages 7 - 28)**

A copy of the final report of the Overview and Scrutiny Inquiry into Chorley Markets published in September 2004 is attached.

The other relevant reports, strategies and documents identified by Members at the last meeting will be provided to the Task Group in sufficient time before the relevant documents are due to be assessed by the Group within the agreed timetable.

6. **Way Forward: Priority Areas (Pages 29 - 44)**

A schedule of the categorised projects and initiatives contained within the Town Centre Audit and Urban Design Strategy is enclosed.

The Task Group will be requested to identify the selected projects/initiatives that the Group wishes to focus on and examine in more depth, with a view to consideration of ways in which the Group can assess their relative effectiveness or help to influence their implementation.

The implementation schedule includes a note of the expected level of costings associated with the projects.

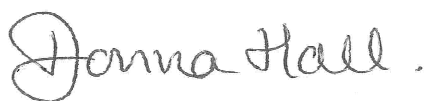
7. **Visits to other town centres**

Members' instructions will be sought on comparable towns that the Task Group wishes to visit during the course of the inquiry to learn from their respective management policies and practices.

8. **Calendar of Future Meetings**

The Task Group will be requested to agree a calendar of future meeting dates in accordance with the expected programme for the conduct of the review.

Yours sincerely



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Distribution

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2. Agenda and reports to Jane Meek (Corporate Director (Business)), Ishbel Murray (Corporate Director (Neighbourhoods)), Cath Burns (Head of Economic Development), Peter McAnespie (Planning Policy and Urban Renewal Team Leader), Conrad Heald (Town Centre Manager) and Tony Uren (Democratic and Member Services Officer) for attendance.

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