

# Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Agenda and Reports

For consideration on

## Tuesday, 20th February 2007

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 and its appropriate panels. 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 or Panel.

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Dear Councillor

## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - TUESDAY, 20TH FEBRUARY 2007

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held in the Committee Room, Town Hall, Chorley on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>20th February 2007 commencing at 6.30 pm</u>.

#### **AGENDA**

#### Apologies for absence

#### 2. **Declarations of any interests**

Members of the Committee are reminded of their responsibilities 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 the 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 Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 10 January 2007 (enclosed)

#### 4. Overview and Scrutiny Inquiry

a) <u>Comprehensive Performance Assessment Service Performance Toolkit</u> (Pages 5 - 42)

Report of Director of Policy and Performance (enclosed)

#### b) Presentation by Council's Relationship Officer

The Council's Relationship Manager, Mr Mike Thomas from the Audit Commission will give a presentation on the Council's performance against the key lines of inquiry to be assessed by the Audit Commission during the CPA and Direction of Travel.

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#### c) Feedback on deliberations of the Sub Groups

The Members of the Capacity / Achievement Sub Group and Equality and Diversity Sub Group will report on the current position on their deliberations on key issues relating to the CPA:

- Overview and Scrutiny Function
- Equality Standard for Local Government

#### 5. **Provision of Overview and Scrutiny Training Sessions** (Pages 43 - 46)

Report of Director of Customer, Democratic and Legal Services (enclosed)

#### 6. <u>Planning Services Best Value Performance Indicators-Decisions on Major</u> Planning Applications (Pages 47 - 50)

Report of Director of Development and Regeneration (enclosed).

#### 7. <u>Executive Decision "Call-in" Request</u> (Pages 51 - 102)

Report of Director of Customer, Democratic and Legal Services (enclosed)

#### 8. Executive Cabinet - 22 February 2007

To consider any reports on the agenda for the Executive Cabinet meeting to be held on 22 February 2007 which are not already on the agenda. The Executive Cabinet agenda will be circulated to all Members of the Committee. Please bring your copy to the meeting.

Members of the Committee are requested to notify the **Democratic Services Section** by 10.00am on Friday 16 February 2007, to ensure the attendance of the appropriate Executive Member and officers.

## 9. <u>Third Quarter Performance Report, 2006/07 - Monitoring Report for period ending 31 December 2006</u> (Pages 103 - 128)

Report of Director of Policy and Performance (enclosed)

### 10. <u>Policy and Performance Third Quarter Business Plan Monitoring Statement</u> (Pages 129 - 138)

Report of Director of Policy and Performance (enclosed)

#### 11. <u>Budget Scrutiny by the Overview and Scrutiny Panels</u> (Pages 139 - 176)

To receive feedback from the two Overview and Scrutiny Panels on the 2007/08 Budget Scrutiny exercise..

A copy of the report by the Director of Finance which was submitted to the the Corporate and Customer Overview and Scrutiny Panel and the Environment and Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel, together with the responses of the Panels to the Budget Scrutiny exercise within their areas of responsibility.is enclosed.

The Committee is requested to endorse the responses of the Panels and submit them to the Executive Cabinet for consideration.

#### 12. Revenue Budget 2006/07 - Monitoring (Pages 177 - 182)

Report of Director of Finance (enclosed)

#### 13. <u>Capital Programme 2006/07 - Monitoring</u> (Pages 183 - 196)

Report of Executive Director – Corporate and Customer and Director of Finance (enclosed).

14. <u>Timetable of Meetings 2007/08</u> (Pages 197 - 202)

Report of Director of Customer, Democratic and Legal Services (enclosed)

15. **Forward Plan** (Pages 203 - 212)

To consider the Council's Forward Plan of for the four month period 1 March 2007 to 30 June 2007 (to follow).

- 16. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme (enclosed) (Pages 213 216)
- 17. Any other item(s) the Chair decides is/are urgent

Yours sincerely

Chief Executive

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#### **Distribution**

- Agenda and reports to all Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Councillor Dennis Edgerley (Chair), Councillors Thomas McGowan, Kenneth Ball, Thomas Bedford, Terry Brown, Francis Culshaw, Mrs Marie Gray, Harold Heaton, Greg Morgan, Geoffrey Russell, Mrs Iris Smith and Christopher Snow) and for attendance.
- 2. Agenda and reports to Donna Hall (Chief Executive), Gary Hall (Director of Finance), Lesley-Ann Fenton (Director of Policy and Performance), Jane Meek (Director of Development and Regeneration), Sarah Dobson (Policy and Performance Officer), Steve Pearce (Assistant Head of Democratic Services) and Gordon Bankes (Democratic Services Officer) for attendance.
- 3. Agenda and reports to Councillor Eric Bell (Executive Member for Streetscene, Neighbourhoods and Environment) for attendance.

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