



# **ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL**

## ***Panel Report***

### **Public**

**Date of Meeting:** 28<sup>th</sup> February 2013

**Title:** Overview Report and Work Programme

**Report of:** Overview and Scrutiny Officer

**Report reference:** OS 06/13

### **Summary:**

This report provides an overview of matters related to the Environment & Economy O&S Panel's work. It also includes the latest version of the work programme.

### **Recommendations:**

Members are asked to:

- Decide whether the items on the Leader's Notice of Key Decisions should be included in the Panel's Work Programme for consideration. (para 1 & Appendix 1)
- Note and/or amend the Panel's work programme (Appendix 3)

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## 1. Notice of Key Executive Decisions

The most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions was published on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2013. The following issues fall into the remit of this Panel and full details are attached at **Appendix 1**:

**KD.037/12 Carlisle Plan** – *to be considered at this meeting of the Panel.*

**KD.01/13 Change from purple sacks to wheeled bins** - *The Executive will be asked at their meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2013 to consider moving 4500 residents who are on weekly collection of purple sacks onto wheeled bins in order to realise further savings for the Council.*

## 2. References from the Executive

The follow reference has been received from the Executive meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2013 and is attached at **Appendix 2** for information:

EX.14/13 – Business Interaction Centre

## 3. Task and Finish Groups

### **Talkin Tarn Task and Finish Group**

The second meeting of the Task Group was held on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2013. The main focus of the meeting was to gain an understanding of the budget for the Tarn and the central charges which are associated to it. The Task Group are currently arranging a witness session at the Tarn in March to gain the views of interested parties.

## 4. Scrutiny Annual Report

All Scrutiny Members were sent an e-mail asking if there were particular issues they wished to see discussed in the annual report. If Members have not given their views yet, they are invited to do so at today's meeting or by e-mail soon afterwards. A draft of the annual report will come to the Panel's final meeting of this civic year, on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

## 5. Work Programme

The Panel's work programme has been amended accordingly and can be found at **Appendix 3**.

Items relevant to the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

**Notice of Key Decisions to be taken by the Executive**

The following key decision is to be made on behalf of Carlisle City Council:

Key Decision Reference:	KD.01/13
Decision Title:	Change from purple sacks to wheeled bins
Decision to be taken:	The Executive will be asked to consider moving 4500 residents who are on weekly collection of purple sacks onto wheeled bins in order to realise further savings for the Council.
Date Decision to be considered:	
Date Decision to be taken:	11 March 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public
Documents submitted for consideration in relation to the Decision:	The report of the Director of Local Environment will be available five working days before the meeting
Contact Officer for this Decision:	Director of Local Environment, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG
Relevant Portfolio Area:	Environment and Transport (Councillor Mrs Martlew)
Relevant or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:	Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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Other documents relevant to the matter may be submitted to the decision maker.

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Items relevant to the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

**Notice of Key Decisions to be taken by the Executive**

The following key decision is to be made on behalf of Carlisle City Council:

Key Decision Reference:	KD.037/12
Decision Title:	Carlisle Plan 2013-16
Decision to be taken:	The Executive is requested to: 1. Consider and comment upon the presentation and content of the Plan with a view to seeking continuous improvement in the way the Council delivers services to its local communities. 2. Consider the comments of the Overview and Scrutiny Panels on the draft Plan. 3. Refer the Plan to full Council for approval.
Date Decision to be considered:	11 February 2013 consultation period to include Overview and Scrutiny as appropriate
Date Decision to be taken:	8 April 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public.
Documents submitted for consideration in relation to the Decision:	The report of the Policy and Communications Manager will be available five working days before the meeting
Contact Officer for this Decision:	Town Clerk and Chief Executive, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG
Relevant Portfolio Area:	Finance, Governance and Resources (Councillor Dr Tickner)
Relevant or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:	Cross cutting

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**EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE  
EXECUTIVE  
HELD ON 11 FEBRUARY 2013**

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**EX.14/13 REFERENCE FROM THE ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY OVERVIEW  
AND SCRUTINY PANEL – BUSINESS INTERACTION CENTRE**  
(Non Key Decision)

**Portfolio** Economy and Enterprise

**Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel** Environment and Economy

**Subject Matter**

Pursuant to Minute EEOSP.06/13, consideration was given to a reference from the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 17 January 2013 following their consideration of Report ED.04/13 providing details of the proposal to set up a Business Interaction Centre.

The Panel had resolved:

“1) That Report ED.04/13 – Business Interaction Centre be noted.

2) That the Panel ask the Executive to ensure that the £100,000 was used to develop the Business Interaction Centre and not to offset the cost of dilapidation repairs for which the University was liable under the terms of the lease.

3) That to enable closer working with the Council a formal request be made to the University for a City Council representative to sit on the University’s Board.”

Copies of the Minute Excerpt had been circulated.

The Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder referred to the worthwhile discussions and questions raised at the Panel meeting, together with a number of questions asked and responded to at the special City Council meeting on 5 February 2013.

He reminded Members that the total value of the project was in excess of £1 million, of which the City Council’s contribution was a maximum of £100,000. The Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel had sought an assurance that the Council’s £100,000 would not be used to offset the cost of dilapidation repairs for which the University was liable under the terms of the lease.

In response, the Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder stated that the report considered by the Executive on 17 December 2012 (ED.37/12) and their subsequent decision (EX.168/12) were quite clear. The key partner would be the University of

Cumbria, with the Business School being the main beneficiary. He also reiterated the aims and opportunities afforded by the development of a BIC which was fundamental to a City with 'growth' aspirations.

In conclusion, the Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder commended the Executive Decision referred to above. He moved that the comments of the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel be noted, adding that the Executive looked forward to working in partnership to deliver the Business Interaction Centre.

**Summary of options rejected** None

## **DECISION**

That the reference from the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel be noted.

## **Reasons for Decision**

To respond to a reference from the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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<b>THIS MEETING 28<sup>th</sup> February 2013</b>														
Performance Monitoring Reports Steven O'Keefe	✓				✓	Monitoring of performance relevant to the remit of Panel	✓		✓		✓		✓	
Carlisle Plan		✓				To consider draft Plan							✓	
Transformation & Savings Proposals		✓				Update of transformation of Economic Development Directorate				✓			✓	
Kingmoor Nature Reserve													✓	
<b>TASK AND FINISH GROUPS</b>														
Talkin Tarn			✓			Update within Overview Report						✓	✓	✓
How will T.I.C look in the future?			✓			Response from Executive on recommendations of report		✓			✓	✓		





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<b>Environmental Performance of the Council</b> Arup Majhi/Cllr Tickner			✓		✓	Annual Monitoring of performance.						✓		
<b>Botchergate Conservation Area Appraisal</b> Jane Meek/Cllr Glover						To receive action plan once Council agree revised Conservation Area	✓				✓			
<b>Economic Potential of Carlisle</b> Jane Meek/Cllr Glover				✓		To consider draft Economic Potential of Carlisle report from Carlisle Economic Partnership					✓		Report June 2013 on CEP	
<b>Budget</b> Peter Mason/Darren Crossley/All Portfolio Holders		✓	✓			To consider budget proposals for 2013/14					✓			
<b>Business Improvement District</b> Darren Crossley/Cllr Glover				✓		Update on ballot outcome and next steps		✓		✓				

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<b>Cleaning Up Carlisle</b> Angela Culleton/Cllr Martlew						To receive update report detailing Cleaning up Carlisle project and the Local Environment Enforcement Policy		✓		✓				
<b>Enterprise Centre</b>			✓			To receive update on position of the Enterprise Centre		✓						
<b>Car Parking</b> Angela Culleton/Keith Poole/Cllr Martlew			✓			To receive update of Car Park use and income following implementation of changes				✓				
<b>Higher Level Stewardship Grant Offer</b> Angela Culleton/Cllr Martlew		✓				To give comments to Executive on proposal of grant funding				✓				
<b>Claimed Rights</b> Angel Culleton/Cllr Martlew		✓				To scrutinise the report which considers whether to keep Highways Claimed Rights			✓					
<b>Events Policy</b>						To consider new Policy	✓							