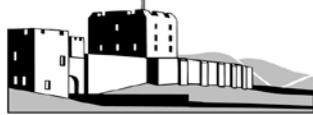


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ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

Panel Report

Public

Date of Meeting: 9th September 2010

Title: Overview Report and Work Programme

Report of: Overview and Scrutiny Officer

Report reference: OS21/10

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:

- Agree Development Session Notes (Appendix 1) as correct and approve amended Work Programme (Appendix 2)
- Consider Forward Plan items (para 2) and agree whether the Panel wish to include in their Work Programme

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Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers: None

1. Development Session

Members attended a development session on 22nd July 2010 to look at the Panel's Work Programme for this Civic Year. Notes of the session are attached at Appendix 1 for information. The work programme has been amended to reflect the decisions made at the Development Session and Members are asked to approve the amended Work Programme which is attached at Appendix 2.

2. Forward Plan Items

The Forward Plan of the Executive covering the period 1 September to 31st December 2010 was published on 18th August 2010. The issues which fall within the remit of this Panel are as follows. Full details can be found at Appendix 3.

KD027/10 Third Local Transport Plan (2011-2026) – the Panel will consider this item at this meeting of the Panel

KD025/10 Shoreline Management Plan 2 Adoption – the Panel are requested to consider whether they wish to consider this item at the next meeting of the Panel on 21st October 2010.

3. Strategic Waste Partnership

Members are to consider a 6 monthly update on Waste Services at this meeting. However, Members may recall that they made a referral to the Cumbria Joint Scrutiny Committee in April 2010 regarding the Strategic Waste Partnership.

That the Panel was concerned about the slow progress being made by the Cumbria Strategic Waste Partnership with some of its objectives. With this in mind, the Cumbria Scrutiny Panel should be asked to carry out a piece of Task and Finish Group work, examining ways forward for the Cumbria Strategic Waste Partnership.

The Joint Committee considered the referral at their meeting on 29th April and decided that, as there was an 'options project' due to end in June 2010, they would await the outcomes of that work before determining whether to pursue the referral as a scrutiny topic.

The Waste Services Manager attended the next meeting of the Joint Committee in July 2010 to present an update on findings from the options project. The Committee were informed that there is currently no dedicated Waste Partnership Officer and determined that they would support the reinstatement of this post. They further agreed that they would not undertake a piece of Task and Finish work on this topic but would keep a monitoring eye on the strategy.

4. Area Working Task and Finish Group

The initial meeting of the Task Group is to be held on 7th September 2010. If available, the agreed Terms of Reference for the Task Group will be tabled at today's meeting for formal approval by Members of the Panel.

5. Core Strategy

It has been agreed with the Chair of the Panel and the Strategic Director that the workshop on the Core Strategy will be arranged for the end of September.

Environment & Economy Overview and Scrutiny Development Session

22nd July 2010

Present:

Cllr Mrs Rutherford, Cllr Bainbridge, Cllr Bowditch, Cllr Hendry, Cllr Mrs Robson, Cllr Mrs Vasey, Cllr Watson, Cllr S Bowman,

Apologies:

Cllr C Farmer

Members were informed that the purpose of the session was to:

- Review Work Programme
- Identify areas for Subject Review/Task and Finish work
- Identify Lead Members for topics
- Identity gaps in knowledge

In the Civic Year 2009/10 the Panel held 9 meetings, including 1 special meeting and spent 24 hours in formal meetings considering a total of 36 substantive agenda items. Cllr Watson stated that these stats were not outcome based and the Panel should be monitoring outcomes. It was agreed that the Scrutiny Officer would develop a system to monitor outcomes for the next year.

Cllr Hendry suggested that the Panel look at the economic impact Tullie House has on the Carlisle Economy and it was agreed that a report be requested for the Panel on 21st October 2010. Cllr Hendry would liaise with the relevant officer(s) in the development of this report.

Cllr Bainbridge suggested that the Panel look at the issue of seagulls in the city centre. It was agreed that Cllr Bainbridge and the Scrutiny Officer undertake some preliminary research and bring this back to the Panel in September.

The issue of Lead Members was discussed and it was agreed that rather than allocate Members to topics at this time appointments would be made on an ad-hoc basis.

Session with Portfolio Members and Officers

Councillor Mrs Bowman and Chris Hardman, Assistant Director (Economic Development) attended the session.

The objective of this session was to inform Members of priorities, ongoing work and future developments of Policy over the next 12 months. Scrutiny Members would then be able to plan their work programme accordingly and may also identify areas of pre-policy work.

The following were discussed and agreed:

Core Strategy – a workshop to be held in the Autumn
City Centre Partnership – report to October meeting
Future Land Allocations – report to September meeting

It was also agreed that a training session re: planning which is to be held in August would be extended to Members of E&E Panel.

Panel's Work Programme and Topics for Review

A Task and Finish Group would be appointed to undertake a review of Area Working – initial volunteers to the group were Cllrs Rutherford, Robson & Vasey and invitation to join the group would be extended to other Members (except Executive Members).

Cllr Bainbridge would undertake some work on control of seagulls.

It was agreed that Cllrs Rutherford and Vasey would attend the meeting of ROSP on 29th July 2010 where the Medium Term Financial Plan was to be discussed.

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| THIS MEETING 9th SEPTEMBER 2010 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Economic Development Cllr Bowman Darren Crossley | | ✓ | ✓ | | | Presentation from Strategic Director | | | ✓ | | | | | |
| Making Space for Water Cllr Bloxham Angela Culleton | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | 6-monthly monitoring. | | | ✓ | | | | ✓ | |
| Waste Services Cllr Bloxham Angela Culleton | | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | Six monthly update Referral made to Cumbria Joint Scrutiny Committee on concerns of Cumbria Strategic Waste Partnership April 2010 | | | ✓ | | | | | |
| TASK AND FINISH GROUPS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Control of Seagulls | | | ✓ | | | Cllr Bainbridge to undertake some initial enquiries and report back to Panel | | | ✓ | | | | | |

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| Portfolio Holder & Lead officer | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Area Working | | | ✓ | | | Agreed to undertake review at Development Session - defining Terms of Reference | | | | | | | | |
| Car Parking | | | ✓ | | | Draft report from Task Group for approval of recommendations | | | ✓ | | | | | |
| UPCOMING MEETINGS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Transformation Programme of Carlisle City Council | | ✓ | | | | Consider proposals to enable Panel to prioritise specific areas of Transformation work for more detailed scrutiny | ✓ | | | | | | | |
| Performance Monitoring Reports (PIs) Cllr Ellis Steven O'Keefe | ✓ | | | | ✓ | Monitoring of PI's - year to date | ✓ | ✓ | | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Fly Tipping Cllr Bloxham/Ellis Angela Culleton/Steven O'Keefe | | | | | | Exception report on fly tipping and prosecutions (Cllr Bowditch to lead) | | | | ✓ | | | | |

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| Tullie House Cllr Bowman Keith Gerrard | | | | | | To consider report on impact that Tullie House has on the Carlisle economy (Cllr Hendry to lead) | | | | ✓ | | | | |
| City Centre Partnership Cllr Bowman | | | | ✓ | | To inform the Panel of the work of the Partnership | | | | ✓ | | ✓ | | |
| Core Strategy Cllr Bowman Chris Hardman | | ✓ | ✓ | | | Workshop session. | ✓ | | Workshop September | | | | | |
| Scrutiny Annual Report | | | ✓ | | ✓ | Draft report for comment before Chairs Group | | | | | | | | ✓ |
| Carlisle Tourism Partnership Cllr Bowman Marie Whitehead | | | | ✓ | | 6 monthly review of Action Plan | | | | ✓ | | | | ? |
| Movement Strategy, including Car Parking Strategy | | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | | Current Task & Finish Group. Document considered by Carlisle Local Committee 06/10 | | | | | | | | |

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| Budget Cllrs Mallinson /Bloxham/Bowman Peter Mason/Darren Crossley | | ✓ | ✓ | | | To consider budget proposals for 2011/12 | | | | | ✓ | | | |
| Environmental Performance of the Council Cllr Bloxham Arup Majhi | | | ✓ | | ✓ | Regular monitoring of performance, including progress updates on Climate Change Strategy, Carbon Trust and Green Travel Plan. | | | | ✓ | | | | |
| COMPLETED ITEMS | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Energy Efficiency | | | | | | Draft Supplementary Planning Document | ✓ | | | | | | | |
| Garlands Hospital | | | | | | To consider the responses to consultant on draft Supplementary Planning Document | ✓ | | | | | | | |

FORWARD PLAN
Index of Active Executive Key Decisions relevant to:
Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

| Key Decision Ref Nos: | Subject: | Date of Executive Meeting |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| KD.025/10 | Shoreline Management Plan 2 Adoption | 2 September 2010 and 25 October 2010 |
| KD.027/10 | Third Cumbria Local Transport Plan (2011-2026) | 2 September 2010 (meeting moved from 31 August 2010) and 11 October 2010 |
| KD.029/10 | Budget Process 2011/12 | (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) on 22 November 2010 (h) on 13 December 2010 (i), (j), and (k) on 20 December 2010 (l), (m), (n) (o) and (p) on 17 January 2011 |

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Active Executive Key Decisions relevant to:
Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Ref: KD.025/10 **Portfolio Area** Local Environment

Subject Shoreline Management Plan 2 Adoption

Key Decisions:

Adoption of the Shoreline Management Plan 2 by Council

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 2 September 2010 and 25 October 2010

Responsible or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny

Date when the matter will be available for consideration by Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Will be available to be considered by Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 21 October 2010

Consultees:

Date for Consultees' comments:

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

Shoreline Management Plan 2

The Assistant Director (Economic Development) report will be available five working days before the meeting

Further Information From:

Assistant Director (Economic Development), Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle,

Ref: KD.027/10

Portfolio Area Economic Development

Subject Third Cumbria Local Transport Plan (2011-2026)

Key Decisions:

Support the preparation of the strategy for the next 15 years and the first key element identifying transport opportunities and approach.

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 2 September 2010 (meeting moved from 31 August 2010) and 11 October 2010

Responsible or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Date when the matter will be available for consideration by Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Will be available to be considered by Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 9 September 2010

Consultees:

Date for Consultees' comments:

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

Third Cumbria Local Transport Plan

The Assistant Director (Economic Development) report will be available five working days before the meeting

Further Information From:

Assistant Director (Economic Development), Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle,

Subject Budget Process 2011/12

Key Decisions:

To consider strategic financial issues arising from the budget setting process:

- (a) Budget Update - Revenue Estimates
- (b) Individual Charges Reviews (Local Environment, Community Engagement, Economic Development, Governance)
- (c) New Revenue Spending Proposals
- (d) New Savings Proposals
- (e) New Capital Spending Proposals and Provisional Capital Programme
- (f) Treasury Management and Prudential Borrowing Implications
- (g) Draft Revenue Support Grant Settlement (if available)
- (h) Consideration of Overview and Scrutiny Consultation feedback
- (i) Summary Overall Revenue and Capital Position
- (j) Draft Treasury Management and Investment Strategy including MRP Strategy
- (k) Executive Draft Budget Proposals for consultation
- (l) Final Revenue Support Grant and Final Revenue Budget Summary
- (m) Provisional Capital Programme
- (n) Treasury Management and Investment Strategy including MRP Strategy
- (o) Consideration of Final Budget Consultation
- (p) Executive's Final Budget Proposals

Decision to be taken at Executive on: (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) on 22 November 2010
(h) on 13 December 2010
(i), (j), and (k) on 20 December 2010
(l), (m), (n) (o) and (p) on 17 January 2011

Responsible or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

Resources Overview & Scrutiny Panel for all budget issues except the detailed service estimates.

Community and Environment & Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panels for New Spending Proposals, Savings and Charges pertaining to their individual areas of responsibility)

Date when the matter will be available for consideration by Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Will be available on:

- (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) - Community O&S Panel on 25 November 2010, Environment and Economy O&S Panel on 2 December 2010
- (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) , (g) (i), (j) and (k) - Resources O&S Panel on 7 December 2010

Consultees: Overview and Scrutiny Panels, Business Community, Trade Unions, Citizens and staff

Date for Consultees' comments: Consultation period 20 December 2010 to 17 January 2011

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

The Assistant Director (Resources) report will be available five working days before the meeting

Further Information From:

Assistant Director (Resources), Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG
