

ENVIRONMENT & ECONOMY OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL

Panel Report

Public

Date of Meeting: 22nd October 2009

Title: Overview Report and Work Programme

Report of: Acting Scrutiny Manager

Report reference: OS 23/09

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:

- To note the Panel's work programme (Appendix 1).
- To note the Tourism Task and Finish Group update
- To note the date for the CSP Workshop arranged for Scrutiny Members
- To consider Forward Plan items and to decide whether these should be placed on the Panel's Work Programme.

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1. Forward Plan of Key Decisions of the Executive

- 1.1. The Forward Plan of the Executive, covering the period 1 October 2009 to 31 January 2010 was published on 17th September 2009.
- 1.2. The issues which fall within the remit of this Panel are as follows and full details are set out in Appendix 2:

- i) Designing Out Crime and Supplementary Planning Document*
- ii) Trees and Development Supplementary Planning Document*
- iii) Local Development Framework – Statement of Community Involvement*

Members decide at their meeting on 10th September that they would not be considering the above items.

iv) Land At Morton

A decision was made at the Executive on this issue at their meeting on 2nd October 2009 therefore in agreement with the Chair and Vice-Chair, this item will not be considered by the Panel.

- v) Release of Local Authority Business Growth Initiative (LABGI) Funds to implement the Carlisle Economic Strategy*

This item was considered at the meeting of the Panel on 10th September 2009.

2. Tourism Task and Finish Group

Cllrs Robson, Styth and Vasey were appointed to a Task and Finish Group of the Panel to undertake some work on Tourism at the last meeting of the Panel. The Acting Scrutiny Manager subsequently met with the Head of Economic, Property & Tourism Services and the Business Development Officer to look at where scrutiny could “add value”.

With regard to the Tourism Partnership scrutiny could be involved in the looking forward. The next big piece of work will be the Tourism Action Plan which will be developed probably early in the new year. It is suggested that the Task Group meet with the new Tourism Director (Marie Whitehead) and the Chair of the Tourism Partnership (to be appointed) following the initial meeting of the new board in November. The Task Group could then look in more detail at the Action Plan prior to it being presented to the E&E Panel – the Task Group could therefore inform the panel of their views which will be based on more informed knowledge and would assist the panel in their scrutiny.

Task Group Members and the Chair of the Panel have agreed on this course of action.

3. Workshop – Carlisle Strategic Partnership

At the request of Members of the Panel at their last meeting on 10th September, a workshop has now been arranged on the Carlisle Strategic Partnership, the Local Area Agreement (LAA) and the Comprehensive Area Assessment (CAA). This half day workshop will be held at **10am on 29th October 2009 at Tullie House, Carlisle.**

4. Scrutiny Chairs Group Meeting

A meeting of the Scrutiny Chairs Group has been scheduled for Wednesday 28th October. If you have particular issues that you think should be discussed, please talk to the Chair or Vice-Chair.

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THIS MEETING -22 OCTOBER 2009														
Learning City			✓		✓	Six monthly report on Learning City activities and projects				✓				✓
Waste Services			✓	✓	✓	To consider progress of the Joint Municipal Waste Strategy, evaluation of the introduction of charges for bulky waste items, flytipping, development of commercial waste recycling and investigation of further working with the voluntary sector.				✓				
Fly Tipping	✓					To consider an exception report on the performance indicators relating to Fly Tipping				✓				

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Movement Strategy, including Car Parking Strategy		✓	✓	✓		To consider the proposals and comments from the County Council				?				
TASK AND FINISH GROUPS														
Tourism & LABGI Funds						Task Group - Cllrs Robson/Vasey/Styth Status: Scoping Review				✓				
UPCOMING MEETINGS														
Children and Young People - Carlisle Partnership Priority Group and Cumbria Local Area Agreement (LAA)				✓	✓	6 monthly monitoring report on progress of the Group and the LAA relating to children and young people.			✓	Workshop Oct 09		✓		

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Economic Development & Enterprise – Carlisle Partnership Priority Group and Cumbria LAA				✓	✓	6 monthly monitoring report on the progress of the Group and the LAA relating to economic development			✓	Workshop Oct 09		✓	
Performance Monitoring Reports (PIs)	✓				✓	2008/9 End of Year figures 23.7.09. Quarterly Monitoring of PI's		✓	✓		✓		✓
Budget		✓	✓			To consider budget proposals for 2009/10					✓		
Making Space for Water			✓	✓	✓	To consider interim conclusions of task and finish group to review flooding issues. Now moved to 6-monthly monitoring.	✓					✓	
Rickergate		✓	✓			To consider the draft development brief							

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Core Strategy report (to include St Nicholas/ Warwick Road)		✓	✓			To consider the planning issues.					✓			
Carlisle Renaissance		✓	✓	✓		The minutes of special Resources Scrutiny Panel meetings will be reported to this Panel.			✓				✓	
Scrutiny Annual Report			✓		✓	Draft report for comment before Chairs Group								✓
COMPLETED ITEMS														
Area Team Working			✓			To receive the revised member's handbook								
City Centre Conservation Area		✓	✓			Awaiting feedback from public consultation on proposals - will be considered on 10/09/09			✓					
Transformation Programme		✓	✓			To consider the scope and implementation timetable.	✓	Special Meeting 6/7/09						

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Scrutiny Arrangements: Chairs Group and agreeing the Scrutiny Annual Report						A report providing options for amending the Scrutiny Chairs Group and the process to agree the annual report		✓						
Environmental Performance of the Council	—		✓		✓	Regular monitoring of performance, including progress updates on Climate Change Strategy, Carbon Trust and Green Travel Plan.		✓						
Councillor Call for Action						To agree the process for Scrutiny to consider Councillor Call for Actions.	✓							

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Waste Service Efficiency Review		✓	✓			To consider the recommendations of the Efficiency Review of the Council's Waste Services	✓							

**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.030/09	Budget Process 2010/11	(a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) on 23 November 2009 (h) on 14 December 2009 (i), (j), (k), and (l) on 17 December 2009 (m), (n), (o) (p) and (q) on 18 January 2010
KD.032/09	Release of Local Authority Business Growth Initiative (LABGI) Funds to implement the Carlisle Economic Strategy (EX.173/09 on 1 September 2009)	1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009
KD.036/09	2010/2011 Carbon Management Plan	26 October 2009 and 14 December 2009
KD.024/09	Trees and Development Supplementary Planning Document (EX.177/09 on 1 September 2009)	1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009
KD.025/09	Local Development Framework - Statement of Community Involvement (EX.178/09 on 1 September 2009)	1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009
KD.023/09	Designing Out Crime Supplementary Planning Document (EX.176/09 on 1 September 2009)	1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009

FORWARD PLAN

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

Ref: KD.030/09 **Portfolio Area** Finance

Subject Budget Process 2010/11

Key Decisions:

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

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

Decision to be taken at Executive on: (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) on 23 November 2009
(h) on 14 December 2009
(i), (j), (k), and (l) on 17 December 2009
(m), (n), (o) (p) and (q) on 18 January 2010

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

Policy and Budget Framework matter which may be considered as follows:

- (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f) and (g) - Community Overview & Scrutiny Panel on 1 December 2009, Environment and Economy Overview & Scrutiny Panel on 3 December 2009 and Resources Overview & Scrutiny Panel on 10 December 2009
- (i), (j) and (k) - Resources Overview & Scrutiny Panel on 7 January 2010

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

Date for Consultees' comments: Consultation period 17 December 2009 to 14 January 2010

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

The Director of Corporate Service's report will be available five working days before the meeting.

Further Information From:

Head of Financial Services, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle CA3 8QG

Ref: KD.032/09 **Portfolio Area** Economy

Subject Release of Local Authority Business Growth Initiative (LABGI) Funds to implement the Carlisle Economic Strategy (EX.173/09 on 1 September 2009)

Key Decisions:

To recommend to Council that the LABGI reserves allocated in the 2009/10 budget are released for use in the implementation of the Carlisle Economic Strategy

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009

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

Policy and Budget Framework matter which will be available to be considered on 10 September by the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Consultees: Economic Development and Enterprise Priority Group of the Carlisle Partnership

Date for Consultees' comments: Strategy priorities agreed March 2009 and progress reviewed July 09. ED&E Group of the Carlisle Partnership will monitor progress of strategy implementation on an on-going basis

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

Report DS.71/09 - Implementation of the Carlisle Economic Strategy, release of Local Authority Business Growth Initiative (LABGI) Funds (at Executive 1 September 2009)
Growing Carlisle - an Economic Strategy for the Carlisle city region
The Head of Economic and Tourism Service's report will be available five working days before the meeting.

Further Information From:

Head of Economic and Tourism Services, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA

Ref: KD.036/09

Portfolio Area Environment and Infrastructure

Subject 2010/2011 Carbon Management Plan

Key Decisions:

To consider capital project proposals for 2010/2011 in line with Carbon Management Programme

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 26 October 2009 and 14 December 2009

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

Policy and Budget Framework matter which will be available to be considered on 3 December 2009 by the Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Consultees: Carbon Management Team, Senior Management Team and Capital Board

Date for Consultees' comments:

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

CS.40/09 - Environmental Performance of the Council

CS.23/09 - Carbon Management Project Board

CS.103/08 - Climate Change Strategy

The Director of Community Service's report will be available five working days before the meeting.

Further Information From:

Environmental Performance Manager, Carlisle City Council, Bousteads Grassing, Carlisle,

Ref: KD.024/09

Portfolio Area Environment and Infrastructure

Subject Trees and Development Supplementary Planning Document (EX.177/09 on 1 September 2009)

Key Decisions:

To consider the responses to the consultation and to work towards adoption of the Supplementary Planning Document

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009

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

Policy and Budget Framework matter which will be considered on 10 September 2009 by Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Consultees: A 7 week public consultation has been undertaken

Date for Consultees' comments: March/April 2009

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

Report DS.62/09 - Trees and Development Supplementary Planning Document (at Executive 1 September 2009)

The Local Plans and Conservation Manager's report will be available five working days before the meeting.

Further Information From:

The Local Plans and Conservation Manager's report will be available five working days be

Ref: KD.025/09

Portfolio Area Environment and Infrastructure

Subject Local Development Framework - Statement of Community Involvement
(EX.178/09 on 1 September 2009)

Key Decisions:

To withdraw the existing draft statement of Community Involvement and consider a new draft for consultation

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009

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

Policy and Budget Framework matter which will be considered on 10 September 2009 by Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Consultees: Consultation will be undertaken following approval of the consultation draft by Council

Date for Consultees' comments: December 2009/January 2010

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

Report DS.60/09 - Local Development Framework - Statement of Community Involvement (at Executive 1 September 2009)

The Local Plans and Conservation Manager's report will be available five working days before the meeting.

Further Information From:

Local Plans and Conservation Manager, Planning Services, Carlisle City Council, Civic Ce

Ref: KD.023/09

Portfolio Area Environment and Infrastructure

Subject Designing Out Crime Supplementary Planning Document (EX.176/09 on 1 September 2009)

Key Decisions:

To consider the responses from consultation and to work towards adoption of the Supplementary Planning Document.

Decision to be taken at Executive on: 1 September 2009 and 26 October 2009

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

Policy and Budget Framework matter which will be considered on 10 September 2009 by Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Consultees: A 7 week public consultation has been undertaken

Date for Consultees' comments: Consultation took place March/April 2009

Relevant reports/background papers which are available:

Report DS.63/09 - Designing out Crime - Supplementary Planning Document (at Executive 1 September 2009)

The Local Plans and Conservation Manager's report will be available five working days before the meeting.

Further Information From:

Local Plans and Conservation Manager, Planning Services, Carlisle City Council, Civic Ce
