

Northampton Borough Council Overview and Scrutiny



NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY– WORK PROGRAMME 2010/2011

In Depth Policy Reviews

Topic Area	Rationale for Review	Scrutiny Panel	Lead Councillor	Suggested Timescale
Leisure Strategic Business Review	To review the proposal to form a new Charitable Trust for the provision of Leisure and Sports Development Services	Inquisitive Inquiry	Councillor Keith Davies	From: April 2010 To: December 2010

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<p>Pre-decision Scrutiny: Procurement (Market Testing) of Environmental Services</p>	<p>To continue with the pre-decision Scrutiny work that Overview and Scrutiny Committee 3 (Improvement, Performance and Finance) has commenced</p>	<p>Inquisitive Inquiry</p>	<p>Councillor: Jamie Lane</p>	<p>From: April 2010 To: December 2010</p>
<p>Billing Waste Water Inquisitive Inquiry</p>	<p>To report the findings of the further site visit</p>	<p>Inquisitive Inquiry</p>	<p>Councillor Dennis Meredith</p>	<p>The Inquisitive Inquiry to report its findings to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at its 20th September 2010 meeting</p> <p>NB: This piece of Scrutiny Activity commenced its work during the Municipal Year 2009/2010 and will complete in June 2010</p>
<p>Private Sector Housing Strategy</p>	<p>To provide Scrutiny input into the Private Sector Housing Strategy, with a particular focus on investigating the Council's procedure for disability facility grants.</p>	<p>Inquisitive Inquiry</p>	<p>Councillor David Garlick</p>	<p>From: 16 August 2010 To: 16 August 2010</p>
<p>Budget and Monitoring Working Group</p>	<p>To provide scrutiny input early on in the budget process and to review the effects and implications of the budget changes</p>	<p>Inquisitive Inquiry</p>	<p>Councillor Tim Hadland</p>	<p>From: December 2010 To: Ongoing</p>

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Neighbourhood Model	To investigate which groups will be engaging with and who the Council will be working with.	Scrutiny Panel H	Councillor: Christopher Malpas	From: December 2010 To: March 2011
Northamptonshire Alcohol Strategy	To contribute to the Northampton Alcohol Strategy Action Plan	Scrutiny Panel E	Councillor: Brendan Glynane	From: 21 June 2010 To: December 2010
Independent Living Strategies	To review the Council's Independent Living Strategies making any recommendations for improvement as appropriate	TBC	Councillor TBA NB: Suggested that this Review be joint with NCC or a Member and Officer from NCC be co-opted onto the Panel for the life of this Review	From: TBC To: TBC
Proposals for Cliftonville House	To investigate the proposals for Cliftonville House, in particular the relocation of staff and the disposal of the site	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Councillor Christopher Malpas	Regular updates to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Commissioning Framework for the Voluntary and Community Sector	To investigate the development of a Commissioning Framework for the Voluntary and Community Sector	Scrutiny Panel E	Councillor David Garlick	From: 15 July 2010 To: March 2011 NB: The Review should not commence prior to appointment of the Officer responsible for Commissioning the Framework

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<p>Choice Based Lettings (CBL)</p>	<p>To review the CBL system since its implementation, making any recommendations for improvement as appropriate</p>	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</p>	<p>Councillor Christopher Malpas</p>	<p>24th January 2011 Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting</p>
<p>New Tenancy Agreement</p>	<p>To review the success of the new Tenancy Agreement, making any recommendations for improvement as appropriate</p>	<p>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</p>	<p>Councillor Christopher Malpas</p>	<p>24th January 2011 Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting</p>
<p>Absence Management</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To evaluate the impact that staff absence has upon service delivery • To review how health and well being policies can have a positive impact in reducing sickness absence • To ensure absence management systems are robust and applied consistently in all departments 	<p>Scrutiny Panel R&P</p>	<p>Councillor Jane Hollis</p>	<p>From: 7th July 2010 To: December 2010</p>

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Lease between NBC, Northampton Town Football Club and the Athletics Club	To review the operation of the lease that Northampton Borough Council has with Northampton Town Football Club and the Athletics Club and make recommendations for improvement, as appropriate	Scrutiny Panel R&P	Councillor John Yates	From: December 2010 To: March 2011
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