

**REPORT TO THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION
MEETING OF 22nd NOVEMBER 2011**

Status: For Recommendation
Title: Draft Scrutiny Work-plan
Originator: Edward O'Neill, Democratic Officer
Where from: Management Board
Where to next: Implementation

Objective: Consideration of the draft Scrutiny Work-plan for November 2012 to May 2013, prior to implementation.

1 Outcome sought

1.1 To consider draft Scrutiny Work-plan attached at Appendix A and Suggestions for Scrutiny at Appendix B.

2 Background

2.1 The draft Scrutiny Work-plan for the period November 2012 to May 2013 is attached at Appendix A.

2.2 The Chairman of Scrutiny Commission and the Democratic Officer for Scrutiny have drafted the Work-plan. The Work-plan has been populated using a combination of items previously referred to Scrutiny from various sources, Officer- or Member-led items, and Statutory items.

2.3 The Executive Forward Plan is attached at Appendix C.

2.4 The Work-plan may be subject to change as a result of central government announcements.

3 Legal Issues

3.1 Harborough District Council's Constitution requires that the Scrutiny Commission will ensure "a consistent Work-plan for each Panel and allocate the work to the Panel with the relevant list of activities or as it otherwise sees fit" (Article 7, 7.01, b).

4 Consultation

- 4.1 The draft Work-plan has been prepared in conjunction with report authors and the Chairman of the Scrutiny Commission.
- 4.2 All Heads of Service have been asked to identify any topics they may have for consideration by a Scrutiny Panel in the coming six months. Any topics put forward have been included as appropriate.
- 4.3 At the Meeting of Council on 22nd (and 23rd) of October 2012 the Chairman of the Scrutiny Commission requested that Members forward suggestions for Scrutiny items (those received are included at Appendix B to this document).
- 5 Meeting the objective
- 5.1 Consideration of the draft Scrutiny Work-plan for the coming six months will facilitate Council business and the achievement of the identified 2012/13 Priorities, and enable Panel Members and Officers to plan work efficiently.
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Previous report(s): None

Information Issued Under Sensitive Issue Procedure: No

Ward Members informed: Not applicable

Appendices

- A Draft Scrutiny Work-plan**
- B Suggestions for Scrutiny Items.**
- C Forward Plan of Key Decisions**