

Agenda Item 13(a)

Scrutiny Chair's Report

Since the last report two Task and Finish Groups completed their work on draft policies for: the new domestic waste rollout "Bins Policy" and on the "Lettings Policy" for the proposed new council offices. I am pleased to report that both groups completed their tasks in an atmosphere of informality and determination to get it 'right'.

Two call-in scrutiny meetings have been heard. Both attracted external interest but overwhelmingly so for the call-in on the Executive's decision on the Masterplan for the Strategic Development Area, NW of Market Harborough. I was heartened by the public's engagement, an example of how scrutiny can impact but looking forward I'd encourage members to view scrutiny as a proactive body, not only reactive. Personally, it was a tough meeting to chair from a number of points and I was heartened to hear support for the process was received from all quarters.

This report is short by design and I am happy to receive questions from members now or via email at a later date.

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