



OVERVIEW SCRUTINY GROUP

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To: Councillors Capleton (Chair), Ranson (Vice-Chair), Bradshaw, Brookes, Paling and Sutherland (For attention)

All other members of the Council
(For information)

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Overview Scrutiny Group to be held in Committee Room 2 - Council Offices on Monday, 10th September 2018 at 6.30 pm for the following business.

Chief Executive

Southfields
Loughborough

31st August 2018

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES
2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 4 - 7
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Group held on 2nd July 2018.
3. DISCLOSURES OF PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTEREST
4. DECLARATIONS OF THE PARTY WHIP

5. QUESTIONS UNDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE PROCEDURES
11.16

No questions were submitted.

6. CABINET ITEMS FOR PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY

The following items were identified for pre-decision scrutiny from the Cabinet agenda for 13th September 2018:

(a) ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES CONTRACT - OPTIONS 8 - 71
FOR DELIVERY FROM JUNE 2020

A report of the Strategic Director of Neighbourhoods and Community Wellbeing to consider two aspects of the Environmental Services contract: the options available to the Council for future delivery from June 2020 and the options around the ownership of the fleet required for the provision of this contract.

This report includes exempt appendices, circulated to members. If it is necessary for reference to be made to information contained within those appendices, members of the public will be excluded for that part of the meeting on the grounds that it will involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraph 3 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972.

(b) PARTICIPATION IN PILOT SCHEME - 75% BUSINESS
RATE RETENTION

A report of the Strategic Director for Corporate Services to consider the Council's participation in a pilot scheme in which a substantial element of government funding would be received by retaining '75%' of business rates collected (to follow).

7. OVERVIEW SCRUTINY GROUP PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY - 72 - 75
CABINET RESPONSE

A report of the Cabinet setting out its responses to recommendations of the Group on pre-decision scrutiny items.

8. WORK PROGRAMME 76 - 86

A report of the Head of Strategic Support setting out the list of forthcoming Executive Key Decisions and the Group's Work Programme for consideration, in order to identify items for future scrutiny.

SCRUTINY QUESTIONS

What topics to choose?

- What difference will scrutiny make?
- Is this an area of concern – public/performance/risk register?
- Is this a corporate priority?
- Could scrutiny lead to improvements?
- What are the alternatives to pre-decision scrutiny?

Pre-decision scrutiny

- What is Cabinet being asked to agree?
- Why?
- How does this relate to the overall objective? Which is ...?
- What risks have been identified and how are they being addressed?
- What are the financial implications?

- What other options have been considered?
- Who has been consulted and what were the results?
- Will the decision Cabinet is being asked to take affect other policies, practices etc.?

Basic Questions

- Why are you/we doing this?
- Why are you/we doing it in this way?
- How do you/we know you are making a difference?
- How are priorities and targets set?
- How do you/we compare?
- What examples of good practice exist elsewhere?