



## OVERVIEW SCRUTINY GROUP

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To: Councillors Capleton (Chair), Ranson (Vice-Chair), Bradshaw, Brookes, Gerrard and Paling (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, 14th January 2019 at 6.30 pm for the following business.

Chief Executive

Southfields  
Loughborough

4th January 2019

### 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 17th January 2018:

(a) Playing Pitches, Open Spaces and Built Facilities Strategies

A report of the Head of Cleansing and Open Spaces to consider adopting the Playing Pitches, Open Spaces and Built Facilities Strategies and associated Action Plans will be presented to the Group for pre-decision scrutiny. This is in order to make recommendations to the Cabinet as appropriate.

**Please note:** due to the length of this report it will be published separately as a supplement.

(b) Discretionary Houses in Multiple Occupation Licensing Scheme Options 8 - 26

A report of the Head of Strategic and Private Sector Housing to consider the introduction of a discretionary Licensing Scheme in the Borough and approve the licensing fees if a scheme is to be introduced will be presented to the Group for pre-decision scrutiny. This is in order to make recommendations to Cabinet, as appropriate.

(c) Tenancy Strategy 27 - 52

A report of the Head of Strategic and Private Sector Housing to approve the Council's updated Tenancy Strategy will be presented to the Group for pre-decision scrutiny. This is in order to make recommendations to Cabinet, as appropriate.

7. OVERVIEW SCRUTINY GROUP PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY - CABINET RESPONSE 53 - 57

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

8. WORK PROGRAMME 58 - 68

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?