



OVERVIEW SCRUTINY GROUP

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To: Councillors Baines, Bradshaw, Brookes, Capleton (Chair), Gerrard, Paling and Ranson (Vice-Chair) (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, 8th April 2019 at 6.30 pm for the following business.

Chief Executive

Southfields
Loughborough

29th March 2019

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES
2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 4 - 7
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Group held on 11th March 2019.
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 11th April 2019:

(a) LOUGHBOROUGH AND LEICESTER SCIENCE AND 8 - 13
INNOVATION ENTERPRISE ZONE

A report of the Chief Executive seeking Cabinet approval to the key elements of the proposed agreement with Leicester City Council and the Leicester and Leicestershire Enterprise Partnership to deliver the Loughborough and Leicester Science and Innovation Enterprise Zone will be considered by the Group. This is in order to make recommendations to the Cabinet, as appropriate.

7. OVERVIEW SCRUTINY GROUP PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY - 14 - 18
CABINET RESPONSE

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

8. WORK PROGRAMME 19 - 28

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.

9. EXEMPT INFORMATION

It is recommended that members of the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item 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 and it is considered that the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

10. REVENUES AND BENEFITS FUTURE SERVICE DELIVERY

An exempt report of the Head of Customer Experience to decide the future delivery option for the Revenues and Benefits Service from February 2020 will be considered for pre-decision scrutiny. This is in order to make recommendations to the Cabinet as appropriate.

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?