



NOTICE OF MEETING

Overview and Scrutiny Commission

Thursday 16 July 2009, 7.30 pm

Council Chamber, Fourth Floor, Easthampstead House, Bracknell

To: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMISSION

Councillor Edger (Chairman), Councillor McLean (Vice-Chairman), Councillors Mrs Birch, Finnie, Harrison, Leake, Mrs McCracken, Mrs Shillcock, Turrell, Virgo, Ms Whitbread and Worrall

Church Representative Members (Voting in respect of Education matters only)

Mr G S Anderson and vacancy

Parent Governor Representative Members (Voting in respect of Education matters only)

Dr P Josepfs-Franks and vacancy

cc: Substitute Members of the Commission

Councillors Baily, Mrs Beadsley, Beadsley, Browne, Dudley, Mrs Pile and Wade

ALISON SANDERS
Director of Corporate Services

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AGENDA

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1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE/SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

To receive apologies for absence and to note the attendance of any substitute members.

2. MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Commission held on 11 June 2009.

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3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND PARTY WHIP

Members are asked to declare any personal or prejudicial interest and the nature of that interest, including the existence and nature of the party whip, in respect of any matter to be considered at this meeting.

4. URGENT ITEMS OF BUSINESS

Any other items which, pursuant to Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972, the Chairman decides are urgent.

Holding the Executive to Account

5. EXECUTIVE RESPONSE TO THE REVIEW OF THE COUNCIL'S OLDER PEOPLE'S STRATEGY

To consider the response by the Executive Member to the Overview and Scrutiny report on the Review of the Council's Older People's Strategy.

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6. EXECUTIVE RESPONSE TO THE REVIEW OF CHILDREN'S CENTRES AND EXTENDED SCHOOLS SERVICES

To consider the response by the Executive Member to the Overview and Scrutiny report on the Review of Children's Centres and Extended Schools' Services.

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7. EXECUTIVE FORWARD PLAN

Forthcoming items on the Executive Forward Plan of a corporate nature are attached for consideration.

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Performance Monitoring

8. CORPORATE PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW REPORT

To consider the Chief Executive's Corporate Performance Overview Report for quarter four (January to March) of the 2008/09 financial year (copies of the report are available with the online version of the agenda or available on request. Members are asked to bring their copies to the meeting).

Overview and Policy Development

9. HOME OFFICE GUIDANCE ON SCRUTINY OF CRIME AND DISORDER MATTERS

As the Crime and Disorder Committee, to note the new statutory guidance issued by the Home Office on the scrutiny of Crime and Disorder matters and to consider whether any changes are necessary to the Commission's approach.

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10. HOUSING BENEFIT AND COUNCIL TAX BENEFIT IMPROVEMENT PLAN

To note the previously agreed report of the review of the Implementation of the Housing and Council Tax Benefit Improvement Plan undertaken by a working group of the Environment, Culture and Communities Overview & Scrutiny Panel.

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11. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2009/10

a) To adopt the work programme for 2009/10, for formal consultation with the Executive and Corporate Management Team.

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b) To commence the Commission's working group on sustaining economic prosperity. Commission members' attention is drawn to the Action Plan previously circulated.

12. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY - CENTRE FOR PUBLIC SCRUTINY SELF EVALUATION

To note the forthcoming exercise to complete the Centre for Public Scrutiny's self evaluation for Overview and Scrutiny in local authorities.

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13. UPDATES FROM PANEL CHAIRMEN

To receive verbal updates from Overview and Scrutiny Panel Chairmen and the Vice-Chairman of the Joint East Berkshire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Overview & Scrutiny Commission will be on 24 September 2009.