
OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY BOARD – PLANNING POLICY TASK GROUP

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Councillor Kit Taylor
Portfolio Holder Consulted	Yes
Relevant Head of Service for Overview and Scrutiny	Claire Felton – Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services
Wards Affected	All
Ward Councillor Consulted	All Ward Councillors were invited to join the Task Group
Non-Key Decision	

1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to allow Cabinet to consider the findings and recommendations of the attached Overview and Scrutiny Board Task Group report.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Cabinet is requested to:
- (a) consider the attached Overview and Scrutiny Board Task Group report (Appendix 1) and the recommendations contained within it;
 - (b) to either agree, amend or reject each of the recommendations contained in the report;
 - (c) provide an Executive Response to the Overview and Scrutiny Board report and recommendations, which may include an Action Plan to summarise how and when each of the agreed recommendations will be implemented.
 - (d) request the relevant Portfolio Holder in consultation with appropriate officers to indicate the expected implementation dates, as appropriate.

3. KEY ISSUES

- 3.1 Following a request from full Council, at the Overview and Scrutiny Board meeting held on 27th September 2011 it was agreed that a Task Group would be established to investigate the Council's Planning and Enforcement Policies. Full details of the Task Group's terms of reference and investigations are detailed in the attached report.
- 3.2 The report and recommendations were agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Board at its meeting on 26th March 2012 and referred to Cabinet for consideration.

Financial Implications

- 3.3 The estimated Financial and Resource implications of the recommendations are detailed in the Summary of Recommendations of the appended report.

Legal Implications

- 3.4 These are detailed within the attached report.

Service/Operation Implications

- 3.5 Overview and scrutiny is a key part of the Council's democratic decision making process and enables non-executive Members of the Council to put forward recommendations for policy development, policy review and service improvement.

Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications

- 3.6 N/A

4. RISK MANAGEMENT

- 4.1 N/A

5. APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Planning Policy Task Group Report

6. BACKGROUND PAPERS

See attached report for details.

7. KEY

None

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