

SCRUTINY STEERING BOARD

WORK PROGRAMME

1ST JULY 2008

The Work Programme consists of three sections: Items for Future Scrutiny and Updates; Current Scrutiny Task Groups; and Scrutiny Task Group Reviews.

RECOMMENDATION: To consider and agree the work programme.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE SCRUTINY AND UPDATES

Subject	Date of Consideration	Other Information
Recommendation Tracker - <i>Permanent Item</i> -	Jan/Mar/April/ July/Sept/Nov	A bi-monthly report monitoring the implementation of scrutiny recommendations. (Initially for a trial period of 12 months starting January 2008.)
Worcestershire Chairmen and Vice-Chairmen Network (Update) - <i>Permanent Item</i> -	29th July 2008	Members to receive an update from Councillor Pardoe following the next Joint Flooding Task Group Meeting he attends. (Unfortunately, apologies for absence had to be submitted to the Joint Scrutiny Meeting held on 30th June 2008 due to a clash with a Council Meeting at the Council House on the same date.)
Bromsgrove Town Centre Area Action Plan Issues and Options Consultation	29th July 2008	Due to further consideration by the Local Development Framework Working Group at its meeting in June 2008, it was agreed that the Bromsgrove Town Centre Area Action Plan Issues and Options Consultation would be revised. However, it is expected that it will be available for the Board to consider at its next meeting later this month.
Older People (Councillor Mrs. Bunker)	TBA	Possible area for future scrutiny following the outcome of focus groups to find out specific issues which may need to be scrutinised. A scrutiny proposal would need to be completed if the Board was minded to scrutinise this area.

CURRENT SCRUTINY TASK GROUPS

Current Task Groups	Date Report Due	Other Information
Anti-Social Behaviour and Alcohol Free Zones	4th November 2008 / 2nd December 2008	Task Group merged and Councillor K. Taylor appointed as Task Group Chairman. Membership and Terms of Reference agreed by the Board on 29th April and 22nd May 2008. First meeting was held on 25th June 2008.
Refuse and Recycling - VFM	2nd December 2008 (First report considered and approved by Cabinet on 2nd April 2008.)	Task Group to carry out additional work in relation to Value for Money (VFM). Terms of Reference agreed by the Board on 22nd May 2008. Four of the five original Task Group Members agreed to carry out the work on behalf of the Board following VFM Training in June 2008. First meeting is scheduled to be held on 7th July 2008

SCRUTINY TASK GROUP REVIEWS

Task Group	Date of Review (when Task Group is due to reconvene)
Air Quality	February 2009
Public Transport (Buses)	March 2009

Note: A seminar relating to the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007 will be held in the future covering key courses of action. This will be arranged once more is known on what the impact will be on overview and scrutiny committees.