

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee Overview And Scrutiny Coordinating Group

Date of Committee 25 April 2007

Report Title Implementing the Outcomes of the Scrutiny Review -Update on Action Plan

Summary This report updates members on progress with the action plan

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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? No.

Background papers None

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:- Details to be specified

- Other Committees
- Local Member(s) N/A
- Other Elected Members
- Cabinet Member
- Chief Executive
- Legal Sarah Duxbury
- Finance
- Other Chief Officers
- District Councils
- Health Authority
- Police
- Other Bodies/Individuals

FINAL DECISION YES

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:

Details to be specified

Further consideration by this Committee

To Council

To Cabinet

To an O & S Committee

To an Area Committee

Further Consultation

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Report of the Strategic Director of Performance and Development

Recommendation

That the Group considers the progress which has been made

A copy of the agreed Action Plan is attached as an Appendix. Progress to date includes the following

- Core work programme has been agreed and will be recommended to Council in May 2007
- Criteria for choosing reviews has been completed and Stratford District Council is seeking to adopt the same criteria for its reviews
- LAA governance arrangements have been agreed and LAA outcomes have been incorporated into OSC work programmes
- It has been agreed that in its first year of operation the PSB should decide whether or not there are areas for joint scrutiny once 6 months performance reports are available
- Topics for local area scrutiny have been selected and arrangements are now being put in place to conduct the exercises
- Elsewhere on this agenda are reports setting out proposals for performance reporting to the committees and a performance evaluation framework for the overview and scrutiny function.
- Formats for annual reports and scrutiny review reports have been agreed and implemented
- Leaflets have been drafted and training programme for officers is under development
- Improvements to the O&S pages on the website have been commissioned
- Member development interviews have been concluded and the programme is being developed.

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