

Title: **Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Plan**

Portfolio Holder: **Cllr Hames – Policy Co-ordination**

Reporting Officer: **Marie Lindsay – Policy and Scrutiny Officer**

Purpose

The purpose of this report is to enable the Scrutiny Committee to consider and develop its Forward Work Plan.

Forward Work Plan

The following agenda items have been suggested for future Scrutiny meetings for the remainder of the year. In developing the forward work plan the Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Committee considered the Cabinet forward work plan.

18 January 2006

- Update from Councillor Terry Chivers, Portfolio Holder for Community and Leisure. Cllr Chivers will be invited to present the issues and challenges within his portfolio.
- Update from Councillor Rosemary Brown, Portfolio Holder for Environment. Councillor Brown will be invited to present the issues and challenges within her portfolio.
- Refuse collection contract re-tender. Consideration of the issues prior to the Cabinet meeting on 8 February 2006.
- Regular budget and financial monitoring report. Figures as at the end of November 2005.
- Service and Resource Planning. Review draft service & resource plans and budgets, considering headline issues. Consider making recommendations to Cabinet on 8 February. Any issues requiring consideration in detail are to be referred to the additional Scrutiny meeting on 1 February 2006.

1 February 2006

This is an additional meeting dedicated to Service and Resource Planning.

- Consideration of any issues in further detail, following the meeting on 18 January. Consider making recommendations to Cabinet on 8 February.

1 March 2006

- Update from Councillor Tom James, Portfolio Holder for Housing. Councillor James will be invited to present the issues and challenges within his portfolio.
- PFI update.
- Service and Resource Planning. Consider draft, forward looking Annual Efficiency Statement for 2006-07 and backward looking Annual Efficiency Statement for 2005-06 to ODPM. Recommendations to Cabinet on 8 March.
- Performance Monitoring as at the end of December 2005 (Quarter 3). Issues brought back to the Committee for scrutiny by the performance monitoring group.
- Regular budget and financial monitoring report. Figures as at the end of January 2006.

19 April 2006

- Update from Councillor Jeff Osborn, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Economic Development, on the Recreation Development Plan Document. The Plan is being considered by Cabinet on 3 May 2006.
- Update from Councillor Duncan Hames, Portfolio Holder for Policy Co-ordination. Councillor Hames will be invited to present the issues and challenges within his portfolio.
- Performance Plan 2006-07 – this may be re-scheduled to the meeting in May once the dates for Council and Cabinet in June are known.
- Regular budget and financial monitoring report. Figures as at the end of February 2006.

Recommendation

The Scrutiny Committee is asked to:

- Agree the agenda items for its meetings until April 2006 as detailed above.
- Inform officers of the specific questions or issues they would like to see addressed by the reports and/or presentations.