

To all Members of the Scrutiny Committee

A meeting of the Scrutiny Committee will be held in Warren Room, Lewes House, 32 High Street, Lewes on 20 November 2008 at 13:30 which you are requested to attend.

Please note start time.

The venue for this meeting is wheelchair accessible and has an induction loop to help people who are hearing impaired.

12 November 2008 Alan Batty
Head of Democratic Services

Agenda

1 Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 11 September 2008 (copy previously circulated)

- 2 Apologies for Absence/Declaration of Substitute Councillors
- Disclosure by councillors of personal interests in matters on the Agenda (including whipping declarations, if any), the nature of any interest and whether the councillor regards the interest as prejudicial under the terms of the Code of Conduct
- Items not on the Agenda which the Chair of the meeting is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency by reason of special circumstances as defined in Section 100B(4)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972
- To deal with written questions from councillors pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 11.3 (page D8 of the Constitution)

6 Work Programme 2008/09

To consider the Report of the Head of Democratic Services (Report No 224/08 herewith)

Attached Documents:

Report No 224/08 - Work Programme 2008/09

7 Cost Benefit Analysis - Area Partnership Development Workers

To consider the Cost Benefit Analysis of the Community Services Manager (Report No 225/08 herewith together with additional information supplied by the South Downs Council for Voluntary Services and Rural Voices Rural Choices) with regard to a possible recommendation to Cabinet for the continuation of grant funding for the Area Partnership Development Worker posts.

Attached Documents:

Report No 225/08 - Cost Benefit Analysis - Area Partnership Development Workers

Report No 225/08 - Cost Benefit Analysis - Area Partnership Development Workers - South Downs CVS information

Report No 225/08 - Cost Benefit Analysis - Area Partnership Development Workers - Rural Voices, Rural Choices information

8 Community Engagement White Paper

To consider the Community Engagement White Paper http://www.communities.gov.uk/publications/communities/communitiesincontrol (summary attached as Report No 226/08 herewith together with notes from a Department of Communities and Local Government presentation, Cabinet Minute 101 and Report No 173/08) with regard to the possibility of including any of the White Paper recommendations in its 2008/09 Work Programme.

The Community Services Manager and Community Engagement Officer will attend to advise on the implications of the White Paper and to describe the Council's current Community Engagement activities.

Attached Documents:

Report No 226/08 - Community Engagement White Paper summary

Report No 226/08 - Community Engagement White Paper - DCLG presentation

Report No 226/08 - Community Engagement White Paper - Cabinet Minute 101

Report No 226/08 - Community Engagement White Paper - Cabinet Report 173/08

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next Committee Meeting is scheduled for 22 January 2009 at 9:30am in the Warren Room, Lewes House

For further information about items appearing on this Agenda, please contact David Feintuck at Lewes House, 32 High Street, Lewes, East Sussex, BN7 2LX; telephone Lewes (01273) 484201

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