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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board (City Development)

Date: 20th November 2007

Subject: Inquiry to Review Consultation Processes in the City development Department – Draft Terms of Reference

Electoral Wards Affected: All	Specific Implications For:
Ward Members consulted	Equality and Diversity Community Cohesion Narrowing the Gap
(referred to in report)	

1.0 Introduction

- 1.1 At its meeting on 16th October 2007 the Board requested that draft terms of reference be submitted to this meeting with a view to undertaking an inquiry into the effectiveness of the City Development Department's consultation processes.
- 1.2 A copy of the proposed terms of reference is attached for consideration by the Scrutiny Board.

2.0 Views of the Director and Executive Member

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules Guidance Notes require that, before embarking on an inquiry, the Board seeks and considers the views of the relevant Director and Executive Member. These views will need to be taken into account in finalising the terms of reference.
- 2.2 The views of the Director of City Development and the Executive Board Member with portfolio responsibility for Development and Regeneration have been sought and will be reported to the meeting today.

3.0 Recommendation

3.1 The Board is requested to confirm it wishes to proceed with this inquiry and agree the terms of reference.