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**Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development**

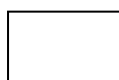
**Scrutiny Board (Environment and Neighbourhoods)**

**Date: 8<sup>th</sup> September 2008**

**Subject: Scrutiny Inquiries – Draft Terms of Reference**

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**Electoral Wards Affected: All**



Ward Members consulted  
(referred to in report)

**Specific Implications For:**

Equality and Diversity

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Community Cohesion

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Narrowing the Gap

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**1.0 Introduction**

- 1.1 At the board's July meeting, members agreed to carry out a number of inquiries; initially into Street Cleaning and Older People's Housing as their major pieces of work this year.
- 1.2 During August, working group meetings were held with senior officers to discuss the potential scope for the board's inquiries.
- 1.3 Draft terms of reference for each of the board's inquiries have been written and are attached as follows for members' consideration:

Appendix A – Inquiry into Street Cleaning

Appendix B – Inquiry into Older People's Housing

**2.0 Views of the Director and Executive Member**

- 2.1 The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules Guidance Notes also 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.

**3.0 Recommendation**

- 3.1 The board is requested to agree the terms of reference for its forthcoming inquiries into Street Cleaning and Older People's Housing.

Background Papers

None