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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Scrutiny Board: Environment and Neighbourhoods

Date: 14th June 2010

Subject: Determining the Work Programme 2010/11

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

1.0 Purpose of Report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to determine the Board's work programme for 2010/11.

2.0 Introduction

- 2.1 The previous Agenda item provided inputs to the development of the Board's work programme. Having considered the written information and having discussed relevant issues with those present at the meeting, the Board is now asked to consider formulating a draft work programme.
- 2.2 In formulating the work programme the Scrutiny Board shall determine;
 - how the proposed inquiry meets criteria approved from time to time by the Scrutiny Advisor Group (Attached as Appendix 1)
 - whether the programme can be adequately resourced and timetabled. A draft work programme highlighting existing commitments and potential areas of Scrutiny work is attached as Appendix 2.

3.0 Recommendations

3.1 Members are requested to consider the Board's work programme.

Background Papers

Council's Constitution - Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules

SCRUTINY BOARD PROCEDURE RULES GUIDANCE NOTE 7 INQUIRY SELECTION CRITERIA

1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 The Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules require Scrutiny Boards, before deciding to undertake an Inquiry, to:

Consider how a proposed Inquiry meets criteria approved from time to time; and

Consult with any relevant Director and Executive Member

- 1.2 This is to ensure that Scrutiny Boards, when agreeing to undertake an Inquiry, have considered carefully the reasons for that Inquiry, its objectives, whether it can be adequately resourced in terms of Member and Officer time and have sought the views of the relevant Director and Executive Member.
- 1.3 The decision whether to undertake an Inquiry or not rests with the Scrutiny Board.

2.0 INQUIRY SELECTION CRITERIA

2.1 At the time of deciding to undertake an Inquiry, the Scrutiny Board will refer to the Inquiry Selection Criteria within this Guidance Note and formally identify which of the agreed criteria the proposed Inquiry meets. The Board will also record the comments of the relevant Director and Executive Member. This process will be recorded in the Scrutiny Board minutes.

INQUIRY SELECTION CRITERIA

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nquiry Title	
nticipated Start Date	
nticipated Finish Date	
The Inquiry meets the following criteria	
 It addresses the Council's agreed Strategic outcomes by reviewing the effectiveness of policy to achieve strategic outcomes as defined by the Leeds Strategic Plan Shaping and developing policy through influencing pre-policy discussion 	
It fulfils a performance management function by	
Reviewing performance of significant parts of service	
Addressing a poor performing service	
Addressing a high level of user dissatisfaction with the service	
Addressing a pattern of budgetary overspends	
Addressing matters raised by external auditors and inspectors	
Addresses an issue of high public interest	
Reviews a Major or Key Officer decision	
Reviews an Executive Board decision	
Reviews a series of decisions which have a significant impact	
 Has been requested by the Executive Board/Full Council/Scrutiny Advisory Group 	
looks at innovative change	
Comments of relevant Director and Executive Member (Attach additional sheet if neces	ssary)
Date	