

Report of Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Report to Scrutiny Board (Resources and Council Services)

Date: 3rd October 2011

Subject: Inquiry into Employees' Declaration of Interests - Draft Final Report & Recommendations

Are specific electoral Wards affected? If relevant, name(s) of Ward(s):	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Are there implications for equality and diversity and cohesion and integration?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No
Is the decision eligible for Call-In?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Does the report contain confidential or exempt information? If relevant, Access to Information Procedure Rule number: Appendix number:	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Summary of main issues

1. The Scrutiny Board (Resources and Council Services) has now completed its inquiry on Employees' Declaration of Interests which was request by the former Scrutiny Board (City Development) and is in a position to report on its findings and its conclusions and recommendations resulting from the evidence that has been gathered.

Draft Inquiry Report

- 2 A copy of the draft final report is attached for members' consideration.

Consultation

- 3 Scrutiny Board Procedure Rule 13.2 states that "where a Scrutiny Board is considering making specific recommendations it shall invite advice from the appropriate Director(s) prior to finalising its recommendations. The detail of that advice shall be reported to the Scrutiny Board and considered before the report is finalised. The Director shall consult with the appropriate Executive Member before providing any such advice."
- 4 The Chief Officer HR, Head of Audit, Legal Services and Head of Governance Services have been consulted and their advice and comments, if any, will be reported to the Board meeting today.

Recommendations

5 The Board is asked to

- (i) Agree the Board's final report and recommendations.
- (ii) Request that a formal response to the recommendations is produced in line with normal procedures for scrutiny inquiry reports as set out in Scrutiny Procedure Rule 14.1.

Background documents

6. Documents listed in the Board's final inquiry report.