## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2011-12

|    | TOPIC   | LEAD OFFICER   | TIMESCALE  | MEMBERSHIP   | REPORTS TO |
|----|---|----------------|--|--|------------|
| 1. | Social Return on<br>Investment                                  | Jane Hartnell  | Commenced July 2011<br>Final report due to O&S 21.2.12 | Cartwright<br>Corello<br>Hodges (Ch)<br>MJ Lock<br>Pragnell<br>Stevens | Resources  |
| 2. | Influencing and Appraising<br>the Decisions of Third<br>Parties | Verna Connolly | Commenced July 2011.<br>Final report due to O&S 6.6.12 | Cartwright (Ch)<br>Hodges<br>Pragnell<br>Turner<br>Westley<br>Wilson   | Resources  |
| 3. | Grounds Maintenance<br>Specification                            | Tom Davies     | COMPLETED  | Dowling (Ch)<br>Gurney<br>Turner<br>Waite<br>Wilson                    | Services   |

## FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME IDEAS

The following ideas/suggestions have come from a variety of areas within the organisation. Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees may add to or amend these as they see appropriate throughout the year. However, the final decision on scrutiny reviews rests with the relevant committee.

| Suggestion         | Reason   | Proposer                                     | Source                             | Reporting<br>Committee |
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| Flood Management   | The Scrutiny Review of Sewerage Capacity<br>completed in 2009-10, recommended that a<br>review be completed of Flood<br>Management. In 2010, Operational Board<br>considered that this was a worthy idea, but<br>would be better dealt with in the 2011-12<br>work programme. By then the service<br>would have a much clearer sight over<br>future funding and be able to better advice<br>on what can be achieved. | Scrutiny Review Members<br>Operational Board | Annual O&S Joint<br>Committee 2011 | Services               |
| ICT Services       | Councillor Cartwright submitted, "this is<br>potentially another area for reducing costs;<br>however there is also a need to improve<br>the service. A traditional scrutiny review<br>could consider whether HBC should invest<br>further in its own system, outsource or join<br>with other authorities"  | Cllr Cartwright                              | Annual O&S Joint<br>Committee 2011 | Resources              |
| White Rock Theatre | Councillor Westley submitted, "the White<br>Rock Theatre costs the Council an<br>extortionate amount of money and<br>something which really does need, in my<br>opinion, further investigation."   | Cllr Westley                                 | Annual O&S Joint<br>Committee 2011 | Services               |

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## **INFORMATION ITEM: 11**

| 2006 EU Bathing<br>Directive and its<br>impact on Hastings                     | Councillor MJ Lock submitted, "my<br>suggestion is to review how the new 2006<br>EU Bathing Directive (which replaces the<br>original 1976 Bathing Directive) could<br>impact Hastings when it comes into effect<br>at the end of 2014. From this I would hope<br>to take forward measures that the council,<br>working alongside the local water authority<br>board and other organisations, can take to<br>ensure we meet this more stringent<br>standard. Clearly the quality of our beach<br>water is of high importance to Hastings as<br>we rely to a significant degree on the<br>tourism sector. In fact, this could be an<br>opportunity to look at how we could take<br>the next step and obtain a Blue Flag status<br>as these two measures of beach<br>excellence and water quality involve safety,<br>environmental education and other<br>services. After all, if Thanet District Council<br>can get Blue Flag status, so should we! | Cllr MJ Lock  | Annual O&S Joint<br>Committee 2011 | Services |
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| Numbers of On-Street<br>and Off-Street Parking<br>Spaces within the<br>Borough | Councillor Pragnell submitted, "the large<br>number of developments of the past few<br>years, traffic calming and such like have led<br>to a steady reduction of spaces and I would<br>like to see a Review that both quantifies the<br>reduction and proposes a way forward."   | Cllr Pragnell | Annual O&S Joint<br>Committee 2011 | Services |