

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2011-12

<u>SCRUTINY REVIEWS</u>					
	TOPIC	LEAD OFFICER	TIMESCALE	MEMBERSHIP	REPORTS TO
1.	Social Return on Investment	Jane Hartnell	COMPLETED	Cartwright Corello Hodges (Ch) MJ Lock Pragnell Stevens	Resources
2.	Influencing and Appraising the Decisions of Third Parties	Verna Connolly	Commenced July 2011. Final report due to O&S 31.5.12	Cartwright (Ch) Hodges Pragnell Turner Westley Wilson	Resources
3.	Grounds Maintenance Specification	Tom Davies	COMPLETED	Dowling (Ch) Gurney Turner Waite 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 Committee
Flood Management	The Scrutiny Review of Sewerage Capacity completed in 2009-10, recommended that a review be completed of Flood Management. In 2010, Operational Board considered that this was a worthy idea, but would be better dealt with in the 2011-12 work programme. By then the service would have a much clearer sight over future funding and be able to better advice on what can be achieved.	Scrutiny Review Members Operational Board	Annual O&S Joint Committee 2011	Services
ICT Services	Councillor Cartwright submitted, "this is potentially another area for reducing costs; however there is also a need to improve the service. A traditional scrutiny review could consider whether HBC should invest further in its own system, outsource or join with other authorities"	Cllr Cartwright	Annual O&S Joint Committee 2011	Resources
White Rock Theatre	Councillor Westley submitted, "the White Rock Theatre costs the Council an extortionate amount of money and something which really does need, in my opinion, further investigation."	Cllr Westley	Annual O&S Joint Committee 2011	Services

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