



REPORT TO: OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: 19 FEBRUARY 2009

REPORTING OFFICER: CORPORATE DIRECTOR (S151)

SUBJECT: WORK PLAN – OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WARDS AFFECTED: ALL

1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To enable members to consider the Overview and Scrutiny Issue which they would like to review in 2009.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

2.1 That the committee consider areas for future reviews.

3.0 BACKGROUND

3.1 It is important that the Committee identifies and plans its work over the forthcoming year. This will enable maximum efficiency in undertaking reviews as well as ensuring appropriate outcomes.

3.2 The findings of the Waste Management review will be presented to a future meeting of the Community services and Licensing Committee in near course.

3.3 The car parking review was completed and reported to the Community Services and Licensing committee.

3.4 At the August meeting of this Committee it was agreed that the scoping of any potential affordable housing review would be deferred until the spring of 2009. Members should consider whether they would like a report to the meeting on the 9 April on this issue.

3.5 No further areas for review have to date been identified by the committee.

4.0 REPORT

- 4.1 Possible suggestions for review are as follows, members may have other areas they would like to consider:

CO2 emissions

This could examine how is the Council collecting data and monitoring its CO2 emissions. Members could look at best practice elsewhere as well as ensuring that appropriate monitoring and reporting procedures are in place. This issue will have a target in the new Corporate Plan.

Sickness Procedures

The performance indicators have shown that the Council has a relatively poor performance in this area compared to other North Yorkshire District Councils and benchmarked against other authorities. A review could include the policy and its application.

Procurement

Whilst the Council does not have the level of discretionary spend of many Authorities nonetheless there is scope to consider the way the Council undertakes its procurement. The potential for a procurement partnership with other Authorities is being discussed at present with Scarborough acting as the host Authority.

Background Papers:

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