

SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

8th March, 2006

Members Present:- Councillor Clifford (Substitute for Councillor Patton)
Councillor Mrs. Dixon
Councillor Duggins
Councillor Field
Councillor Lee (Substitute for Councillor Williams)
Councillor Mutton
Councillor Ridge
Councillor Sawdon (Chair)

Employees Present:- S. Bennett (Legal and Democratic Services Directorate)
C. Hinde (Director of Legal and Democratic Services)
R. Hughes (Head of Corporate Policy)
C. Steele (Chief Executive's Directorate)

Apologies:- Councillor Patton
Councillor Williams

214. Call-Ins Stage 1

The Committee noted that no call-ins had been received yet this week. The deadline for call-ins for Cabinet and Cabinet Member decisions made during the week commencing 27th February, 2006, was 9.00 a.m. on Friday 10th March, 2006. Any call-ins received after this meeting and before the deadline would be considered for validity by the Chair of the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee in consultation with the Director of Legal and Democratic Services (Paragraph 5.4.5.25.4 of the City Council's Constitution refers).

215. Whitefriars Housing Group – Transfer to Charitable Status

Further to Minute , the Director of Legal and Democratic Services reported that a report on this issue would be considered by the Cabinet at their meeting on 21st March and by full Council on 11th April 2006.

RESOLVED that this report be considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee at their meeting on 15th March, 2006.

216. Forward Plan

The Committee gave consideration to the Forward Plan of key decisions for the period 1st March, 2006 to 30th June, 2006.

The Committee noted those issues that either had been or were being considered by Scrutiny, together with amendments to the Forward Plan in relation to dates that reports were anticipated to be considered by Cabinet.

The Committee noted that it was intended that Scrutiny Board (2) would consider the issue of the Council's Housing List prior to its submission to Cabinet, and that the Committee would be advised of this in due course.

RESOLVED that the following issues be considered by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee prior to their consideration by Cabinet:-

- (a) CV One Business Plan (particularly in relation to Events).**
- (b) Sport and Leisure Facility review (particularly in relation to English Heritage Listing).**
- (c) The issue of the Central Depot and how it links with the Swanswell Development.**

217. Report Back on the Work of Outside Bodies – Coventry Church (Municipal) Charities Trustees

The Committee considered a report of Councillor Williams which detailed the work of Coventry Church (Municipal) Charities over the preceding twelve months and included attendance records for the City Council's representatives at meetings of the Trustees.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that the City Council continue to appoint three Trustees (not necessarily elected Members) to the Coventry Church (Municipal) Charities.

218. Report Back on the Work of Outside Bodies – Birmingham International Airport Holdings Limited – Board of Directors

The Committee considered a report of Councillor Taylor which detailed the work of Birmingham International Airport Limited – Board of Directors over the preceding twelve months and which included details of attendance by the City Council's representatives at Board meetings.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that the City Council continue to appoint an elected Member to the Board in line with each of the other six West Midlands districts.

219. Report Back on the Work of Outside Bodies – West Midlands Fire and Civil Defence Authority

The Committee considered a report of Councillor Matchet which set out the work of the West Midlands Fire and Civil Defence Authority over the preceding twelve months and which included attendance records for the City Council's representatives at meetings.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that the City Council continue to make appointments to the West Midlands Fire and Civil Defence Authority.

220. Report Back on the Work of Outside Bodies – West Midlands Joint Committee – Planning and Transportation Sub-Committee

The Committee considered a report of Councillor Arrowsmith which detailed work of the West Midlands Planning and Transportation Sub-Committee over the proceeding twelve months and which included attendance records for the City Council's representatives.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that the City Council continue to make appointments to the West Midlands Joint Committee – Planning and Transportation Sub-Committee.

221. Report Back on the Work of Outside Bodies – Coventry Older Peoples' Centre

The Committee considered a report of Councillor Mrs. Lucas which indicated that the Coventry Older Peoples' Centre was wound up following the withdrawal of support and finance from the City Council. The Committee therefore noted that a representative was no longer required to be appointed.

222. Outstanding Issues

The Committee noted a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services which identified those issues on which further reports had been requested in order that Members could monitor progress.

223. 2005/2006 Work Programmes

The Committee noted the work programme for the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee for the year 2005/2006, which would need to be amended to include the additions indicated in Minute /05 above.

The Committee gave consideration to the addition of the Freedom of Information Act 2000; Policy to the Scrutiny Board (1) Work Programme.

RESOLVED that the Freedom of Information Act 2000; Policy be added to the Work Programme for Scrutiny Board (1).