
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

19th April, 2006

Report of
Councillor Gazey

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Warwickshire Rural Commission

1 Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 At their meeting on 10th May, 2005, the Cabinet approved a process of reporting back to the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee on the work of those outside bodies appointed to by the City Council. This reports sets out details of the work of the Warwickshire Rural Commission over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That the City Council should continue to appoint to the Warwickshire Rural Commission.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

- 3.1 The Warwickshire Rural Commission is an agency set up by the Countryside Commission and is supported by DEFRA. The objective of the organisation is to be the voice of the countryside, to liaise between the larger and smaller authorities and to keep in touch with Parish Councils and enables their views and needs to be fed into strategic planning.
- 1.1 The Commission seeks funding for rural projects and are currently undertaking an exercise to improve their image. They produce a publication 'Country Matters' which the City Council receives.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

- 4.1 The City contains many areas of countryside, the organisation is a voice of the rural community of which the City forms part.

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

- 5.1 There have been no formal meetings of the organisation in the last 12 months.
- 5.2 There is no remuneration associated with the appointment.

List of background papers

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