
Report to
Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

20 September 2006

Report of
Councillor Asif

Title
Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Local Government Information Unit –
Management Committee

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 **Local Government Information Unit** over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

2.1 ***The City Council is recommended to continue an appointment to the LGIU management assembly.***

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

3.1 ***The company's principal activities are concerned with assisting affiliated authorities and trade unions in the cost effective collection and dissemination of accurate information and related material on central government proposals and other matters relating to local government***

3.2 The LGIU has recently appointed a new chief executive and a root and branch review of the organisations activities will shortly commence.

3.3 A new website has been developed integrating the previous sites of LGIU , TEN, STEER AND DHN. Furthermore all council members should also be receiving the new magazine "CLLR" which was developed as a result of in depth research among councillors.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

4.1 ***As the City Council appointee to the management assembly I was successful in being elected to the Executive Board. As an affiliate council, Coventry has an enviable position to influence Government on the future of local government and democracy.***

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

5.1 The City Council's representative is Councillor Asif. In the last twelve months Councillor Asif has attended two out of three meetings.

5.2 Members receive no remuneration for the appointment.

List of background papers

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