

SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

27th June, 2007

Members Present:- Councillor Arrowsmith (Chair)
Councillor Crookes (Substitute for Councillor Williams)
Councillor Mrs. Dixon (Substitute for Councillor Lee)
Councillor Duggins
Councillor Ms. Hunter
Councillor Maton
Councillor Mutton
Councillor Ridge

Other Scrutiny
Member Present:- Councillor Clifford

Employees Present:- R. Hughes (Chief Executive's Directorate)
J. McLellan (Customer and Workforce Services Directorate)
C. Steele (Chief Executive's Directorate)

Apologies: Councillor Lee
Councillor Williams

8. Declaration of Interest

Councillor Crookes declared a prejudicial interest in Minute 11 below headed "The University of Warwick: Advisory Board of the Institute of Education" in so far as it related to his wife's employment at the University.

9. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on 7th June, 2007, were signed as a true record.

10. Reports Back on Conferences

The Committee received and noted the following reports back on conferences:-

- (a) Civic visit to Kiel, Germany, from the 25th – 27th April, 2007, for the 60th Anniversary of Twinning Links – report by the Lord Mayor (Councillor Shabbir Ahmed)
- (b) Visit to China 2006, Jinan, Shandong Province, from the 6th – 12th October, 2006 – report by Councillor Ken Taylor
- (c) Driving Improvement for People and Places, 6th and 7th March, 2007 – report by the Head of Corporate Policy
- (d) Conference of Atlantic Arc Cities, 18th – 20th October, 2006 – report by International Policy Officer

11. **The University of Warwick: Advisory Board of the Institute of Education**

The Committee considered a report of Councillor John Blundell (Cabinet Member (Children, Learning and Young People)) which detailed the work of the University of Warwick: Advisory Board of the Institute of Education over the previous 12 months and included attendance records for the City Council's representative at meetings of the Board.

RESOLVED that the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee recommend that the City Council continue to nominate to the University of Warwick: Advisory Board of the Institute of Education.

12. **Economic and Social Renaissance Sub Board – Attendance Information**

Further to Minute 6/07, the Committee noted a report of the Director of Legal and Democratic Services which detailed attendance records for the City Council's representatives at meetings of the Board.

13. **Call-Ins Stage 1**

The Committee noted that no call-ins had been received yet this week. The deadline for call-ins of Cabinet and Cabinet Member decisions made during the week commencing 18th June, 2007, was 9.00 a.m. on Friday, 29th June, 2007. Any call-ins received after this meeting and before that 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).

14. **Outstanding Issues**

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

The Committee noted that:-

- (a) Item 3 headed "Local Strategic Partnership" was to be considered at the informal meeting of the Committee to be held at rising of the Committee.
- (b) Item 4 headed "Cabinet Member (Policy Leadership and Governance) Strategic Plan" would be considered as part of the Committee's work programme.

RESOLVED that with regard to item 2 headed "University of Warwick Science Park and Associated Companies (West Midlands Joint Committee and West Midlands Enterprise Board) Councillors Sawdon and Chater be invited to attend the meeting of the Committee when this item is to be discussed.

15. **2007/08 Work Programme**

The Committee considered and noted the Work Programme for the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee for the remainder of the 2007/2008 Municipal Year.

16. **Other Business**

There was no other business.