SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE

25th July, 2007

Members Present:- Councillor Arrowsmith (Chair)

Councillor Batten (Substitute for Councillor Maton)
Councillor Clifford (Substitute for Councillor Mutton)

Councillor Duggins Councillor Ms. Hunter

Councillor Lee Councillor Ridge Councillor Williams

Cabinet Member

Present:- Councillor Ahmed

Other Scrutiny

Member Present:- Councillor Patton

Employees Present:- S. Brake (Community Services Directorate)

A. Carr (Community Services Directorate)
P. Fahy (Community Services Directorate)

J. McLellan (Customer and Workforce Services Directorate)

C. Steele (Chief Executive's Directorate)

Apologies: Councillor Maton

Councillor Mutton

24. **Declaration of Interest**

Councillor Williams declared a prejudicial interest in Minute 26 below headed "Dementia Day Services – Outcome of Consultation" in so far as it related to his wife's employment by a service provider, and withdrew from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

25. 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 16th July, 2007, was 9.00 a.m. on Friday, 27th July, 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).

26. **Dementia Day Services – Outcome of Consultation**

The Committee considered a report of the Director of Community Services that had previously been considered by the Cabinet (their Minute 33/07 refers) and had been called in by Councillors Batten, Patton and Mutton. The report sought approval for the Maymorn Centre as the City Council's provision for dementia day Services with the 38

people currently receiving dementia day services at Jack Ball House and George Rowley House relocating to the Maymorn Centre.

The Members calling in the report and the Committee questioned the Cabinet Member and Officers on aspects of the report, in particular how the consultation process was undertaken and the implications of the decision.

The Cabinet Member and officers explained that the proposals had been subject to a wide consultation process which had been held between the beginning of January 2007 and 2nd February, 2007, and also who had been consulted, how they had been consulted and the implications of the decision.

The Members expressed their concern at the consultation process and the failure to ensure that Ward Councillors were consulted fully on proposals affecting their Ward.

RESOLVED:-

- (1) that the Committee concur with the decision of the Cabinet.
- (2) that all Members of the City Council be kept informed of any consultation being undertaken by or on behalf of the City Council and that in particular, Ward Councillors be notified of implications for their specific wards.

27. Outstanding Issues

The Committee considered and noted 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.

28. **2007/08 Work Programme**

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

29. Other Business

There was no other business.