

**SCRUTINY CO-ORDINATION COMMITTEE**5<sup>th</sup> September, 2007

- Members Present:- Councillor Arrowsmith (Chair)  
 Councillor Charley (Substitute for Councillor Williams)  
 Councillor Duggins  
 Councillor Ms. Hunter  
 Councillor Lee  
 Councillor Mutton  
 Councillor Ridge
- Co-opted  
 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)  
 D. Taylor (Interim Head of Democratic Services)
- Apologies: Councillor Williams

**37. Declaration of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**38. 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 27<sup>th</sup> August, 2007, was 9.00 a.m. on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> September, 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).

**39. Discrimination Law Review: Proposals for a Single Equality Bill for Great Britain – Consultation Response**

The Committee considered a report by the Chief Executive, also to be considered by the Cabinet at their meeting on 11<sup>th</sup> September, 2007, that sought approval to the proposed response to the Discrimination Law Review Consultation Paper. This was attached as an appendix to the report.

**RESOLVED that the proposed response be noted and referred to the Cabinet without comment.**

**40. Report Back on Conference – Executive Bureau Meeting of the Conference of Atlantic Arc Cities**

The Committee received and noted a report by the Policy and Performance Manager, Chief Executive's Directorate, on the above conference which was held on the 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> April, 2007, in Lisbon, Portugal.

Roger Hughes reported that membership of the Conference of Atlantic Arc Cities was currently being reviewed as part of a review of international strategy to ascertain the value to the City Council

41. **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.

42. **2007/08 Work Programme**

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

**RESOLVED:-**

- (1) **That the Scrutiny Chairs' Quarterly Reports be submitted to the Committee in January, April and October of each year.**
- (2) **That Members be asked to inform the Chair of any issues that they would like the Committee to scrutinise during the year and that their respective political groups also be asked to give consideration to potential items.**

29. **Other Business**

There was no other business.