

7.2 Public report

Report to 11 November 2009

Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Report of

Councillor Gazey

Title

Report Back on the Work Of Outside Bodies – Warwickshire Rural Community Council

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 Community Council over the preceding twelve months and details of attendance by the City Council's representatives.

2 Recommendations

2.1 That the City Council should not continue to appoint to the Warwickshire Rural Community Council.

3 Information on Work of Outside Body

- 3.1 The Warwickshire Rural Community Council 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, enabling their views and needs to be fed into strategic planning. Its work however is based within Warwickshire County.
- 3.2 The Community Council seeks funding for rural projects. It produces a publication 'Country Matters' which the City Council receives. However the City Council has not budgeted actual funding to this Rural Body its support being mainly to help get it organised now complete.

4 Benefits to the City Council of the Appointment

4.1 There are no benefits.

5 Attendance Record and Remuneration for the Appointment

- 5.1 The City Council's representative to the Warwickshire Rural Community Council is Councillor Gazey, who was elected chair for two terms and has helped them to focus more usefully on county village needs, its area of work.
- 5.2 There is no remuneration associated with the appointment.

List of background papers

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