

Agenda

Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee

Time and Date

10.00 a.m. on Wednesday, 3rd November 2010

Place

Committee Room 7, Council House, Coventry

Public Business

- 1 Apologies and Substitutions
- 2 Declarations of Interests
- 3 **Minutes** of the meeting held on 1st September 2010 (attached)
- 4 Consideration of Call-in Stage 1 Restructuring of Neighbourhood Management

The Chair of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee will report on the determination of validity for a Call-in received, relating to Proposals for the Restructure of the Neighbourhood Management Service. (briefing note attached)

5 Consideration of Call-in - Stage 2 - The Building (Local Authority Charges) Regulations 2010

The Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee will consider the call-in indicated from the Members shown. These Members are Members of the Committee and in accordance with the Scrutiny Procedure Rules at least one of them must be in attendance at the meeting for consideration of their call-in or the call-in will fail.

Cabinet Member (City Development) – 14th October 2010

'The Building (Local Authority Charges) Regulations 2010'

Cabinet Member: Councillor Mrs Bigham

Officers: Tracy Darke and Stuart Claridge

Report of the Director of City Services and Development (attached)

Decision called in:-

The Cabinet Member (City Development) had agreed to:

(i) retrospective approval for the introduction of a new charging scheme made under The Building (Local Authority Charges) Regulations 2010 effective from the 1st October 2010.

(ii) continue to maintain a ring-fenced reserve to offset surpluses and deficits against future building regulation charges.

Called in by: Councillors Foster, Ridley, Taylor

The reason for the call-in is:-

The reason for the call in is: "To further understand why retrospective approval was sought when these regulations changed in April 2010 and the Cabinet Member cancelled her last meeting due to insufficient business."

The Call-in was deemed valid by the Deputy Chair of Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee (nominee in the absence of the Chair) on advice by the Assistant Director (Democratic Services), in conjunction with the Council Solicitor, the Call-in reason having met the requirements of the Council's Constitution Scrutiny Rules on the Call-in Procedure and the criteria decided by the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee.

6 Coventry Partnership Progress Report

Update on the work of the Coventry Partnership, including progress made on recommendations made by the Committee in 2009/2010 (briefing note attached)

7 Comprehensive Spending Review

Update on the implications of the Comprehensive Spending Review for the Council.

8 Reports Back on Attendance at Conferences

a) Civic Visit to Volgograd and Moscow

Report of the Former Lord Mayor, Councillor Harrison (attached)

b) Visit to Jinan Expo Conference

Report of Councillor Taylor (attached)

c) Visit to China 2008

Report of the Lord Mayors Office (attached)

9 SCRUCO Work Programme 2010/2011

To consider the Scrutiny Co-ordination Committee's Work Programme 2010/11 (attached)

10 Outstanding Issues

There are currently no outstanding issues.

11 Meeting Evaluation

To discuss and evaluate the effectiveness of the meeting.

12 Any other items of public business which the Chair decides to take as matters of urgency because of the special circumstances involved.

Private Business

Nil

Bev Messinger, Director of Customer and Workforce Services, Council House, Coventry 26th October 2010

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Membership: Councillors Foster, Lakha, Lancaster, Mrs Lucas (Chair), McNicholas (Deputy Chair), M. Mutton, Noonan (Co-opted) Ridley, Ruane, Sawdon and Taylor

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