

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2008/09

Appendix A

IDEAS	LINK TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES	DECISION	REASONS
Alcohol Misuse	Delivering quality services/Improving health and wellbeing	Not at the present time	Lancashire County Council has recently undertaken a scrutiny review on young people and alcohol across the County. The Primary Care Trust has also recently published an Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy for 2008-11. Therefore, it was agreed that this issue could be looked at in 12 months to see how the strategy has developed and current information should be sent to all Elected Members.
Dog Fouling	Delivering quality services/keeping our Borough Clean and Green	Pending as further information is required	It was agreed that Jason Foster be invited to the next O & S Management Board to explain what is happening locally. Thereafter, the Board will decide whether it is appropriate to set up a Task and Finish Group. If there are individual complaints, these should be fed through the Member Enquiry Service.
Drains	Delivering quality services/keeping our Borough Clean and Green	To be progressed through Lancashire Locals	Through Lancashire Locals, ask for an update on the programme of cleaning of drains in the Borough
Bus Passes for 16-18 yrs	Promoting Rossendale	To be progressed by the Member Champion for Children and Younger People	Discussion was needed with LCC and Rossendale Transport and should be taken forward by the Younger People's Champion. An update should be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board so they can keep the matter under review.

Spend of Highways including S106 money and future spend	Promoting Rossendale and Delivering quality services	Through the O &S Management Board	Need further information on this from proposes and could possibly take forward through the Performance Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
Core Strategy	Delivering quality services	Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee to review the Strategy	Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider the Core Strategy.
Health and scrutiny of Partners/ Attracting funding through Vol Sector	Improving health and wellbeing	Council in the first instance	There will be a presentation to Council on 'health' and this could be a joint presentation with the LSP health and wellbeing theme group. Any specific issues identified could be fed through the scrutiny process
Grass Cutting through the 4 agencies	Delivering quality services/ keeping our Borough Clean and Green	Agreed to establish a Task and Finish Group to look at this further	This is a big issue as 4 agencies RBC/LCC/Highways and Green Vale Homes all provide the service throughout the Borough. The Overview and Scrutiny Board agreed there needs for a consistent approach
Review of Benefit Service	Delivering quality services/Well Managed Council	Policy Overview & Scrutiny Committee	This area is already reviewed by the Performance Scrutiny Committee as an ongoing commitment to monitor performance

Homelessness	Delivering quality services/Well Managed Council	Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee	This area is already reviewed by the Policy Scrutiny Committee which receives ongoing updates on the proposed Homelessness Strategy
Review of Debt Recovery ie Council Tax	Delivering quality services/Well Managed Council	Performance Scrutiny Committee	This area is already reviewed by the Performance Scrutiny Committee as an ongoing commitment to monitor performance

TASK AND FINISH GROUPS

In relation to Task and Finish Groups, these should be limited to two at any one time, to ensure that sufficient support can be given to the groups.

The Overview and Scrutiny Management Board agreed to carry over two Task and Finish Groups from 2007/08.

Task and Finish Group	Ongoing Work
Road Safety	This Group first met at the end of February and will continue until August 2008 when a final report will be sent to Lancashire Local.
Ring and Ride	A report was presented to Lancashire Local in April regarding the provision of the County Rider Service. It was agreed to review the changes of this service in 6 months time.
Enforcement	This would be picked up by the Policy Overview and Scrutiny Committee

COUNCILLOR CALL FOR ACTION

Members will be aware that recent legislation introduced a new Councillor Call for Action, which could also impact on the work to Overview and Scrutiny.