Economy, Transport and Environment (ETE) Scrutiny Committee



Future work at a glance

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Issue	Objectives and summary			
Standing items and o	Standing items and other work programme issues			
The Council's Forward Plan	The Council's Forward Plan is included on each committee agenda to enable Members to identify relevant issues for scrutiny. Options for scrutiny include: briefing paper request; item on a future scrutiny committee agenda to consider specific questions; or an in-depth scrutiny review.	All committee meetings		
Performance Management	Performance monitoring by scrutiny is an integral part of individual scrutiny reviews. The full committee only receives performance reports on an exception basis, or on the request of Members. Performance monitoring reports go to Cabinet quarterly enabling councillors and members of the public to highlight any issues for scrutiny to review if necessary. In these reports the service targets are assessed as 'red', 'amber' or 'green':			
	 'green' means that the performance measure is on target to be achieved. 			
	• 'Amber' mean there is concern about the likelihood of achieving the performance measure by the end of the year and is accompanied by recommendations for action to it target back on track.			
	• 'Red' means that the performance measure is assessed as inappropriate or unachievable and is accompanied by reasons.			
Highways Contract re-procurement project	The Scrutiny Committee has met regularly since 2010 as a Member Reference Group to consider key elements of the highways contract re-procurement exercise. Members have visited highways operations in Bedfordshire, Northamptonshire, Hertfordshire and Surrey to examine alternative	Ongoing		

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		contract models. Since 2010 the committee has:	
		 endorsed the proposal to extend the existing highway contract with the current contractor rather than re procure immediately (April 2011); 	
		 endorsed a set of key performance indicators (KPIs) for use in any future highways maintenance contract (August 2011). 	
		 set out its observations about alternative contract models to assist the market testing phase (November 2012). 	
		From June 2013 the Committee will continue its overview of the process up until the new highways contract is let.	
>	Highways grass cutting and weed spraying	Proposed scrutiny review: To decide whether to undertake a scrutiny review.	
5		Grass cutting adjacent to the county's highways is undertaken by the County Council, district and borough councils, parish and town councils. This review would investigate whether efficiencies could be made.	

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Reconciling Policy, Performance and Resources (RPPR)	Reconciling Policy, Performance and Resources is the Council's business and budget planning process. The Committee will review the Economy, Transport and Environment portfolio policy steers and establish a review Board to scrutinise the more detailed portfolio plan as it emerges in December 2013.	Director of Economy Transport and Environment / Lead Member Economy, Transport and Environment / Scrutiny			
20 November 2013	13				
Street works on the highways of East Sussex	The scrutiny review board will consider a six-month update on its report and recommendations to reduce the disruption and inconvenience caused by works on the highways of East Sussex.	Director of Economy Transport and Environment / Lead Member Economy, Transport and Environment / Scrutiny			

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