

## **Scrutiny Programme Board**

**SPECIAL MEETING** 

Date: Thursday, 10 February 2011

Time: 6.00 pm

**Venue:** Committee Room 3 - Wallasey Town Hall

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## **AGENDA**

## 1. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/PARTY WHIP

Members are asked to consider whether they have personal or prejudicial interests in connection with any item(s) on this agenda and, if so, to declare them and state what they are.

Members are reminded that they should also declare, pursuant to paragraph 18 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, whether they are subject to a party whip in connection with any item(s) to be considered and, if so, to declare it and state the nature of the whipping arrangement.

## 2. ALLOCATION OF CALL-IN NOTICE (Pages 1 - 4)

The views of the Scrutiny Programme Board are sought with regard to the allocation of the Call-In Notice in relation to the Parks and Countryside Services Procurement Exercise (PACSPE) – Invitation to Tender/Project Scope Definition (Cabinet minute 287 (13 January 2011) refers), which has been submitted by the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Labour Group, Councillor S Foulkes and Councillor P Davies.

It is entirely a matter for the Board whether it chooses to consider the Call-In itself, or to refer it to one or more of the themed Overview and Scrutiny Committees. Members should note that the call-in should be

considered by overview and scrutiny no later than 18 February 2011. In anticipation of the Board allocating the call-in notice to the Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee, consultations have taken place with the Chair and spokespersons for that meeting to take place.

- 3. THE LOCALISM BILL AND ITS IMPLICATIONS FOR SCRUTINY (Pages 5 18)
- 4. CONSIDERATION OF POLICY BRIEFING NOTES (Pages 19 54)

In accordance with minute 41 (5 January 2011) (attached), the Committee is requested to give consideration to two Policy Briefing documents produced by the Centre for Public Scrutiny, in relation to matters contained within the Localism Bill.

5. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR