

## Scrutiny Programme Board

<b>Date:</b>	<b>Wednesday, 4 January 2012</b>
<b>Time:</b>	<b>6.00 pm</b>
<b>Venue:</b>	<b>Committee Room 1 - Wallasey Town Hall</b>

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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. MINUTES (Pages 1 - 4)

To receive the minutes of the meeting held on 8 September 2011.

(NB Members are invited to note that at its meeting held on 17 October 2011 (minute 48), the Council approved the recommendations of the Scrutiny Programme Board to amend the Constitution, to streamline the call-in process (minute 12 (8 September 2011) refers).

### 3. EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENTS (Pages 5 - 20)

Centre for Public Scrutiny Policy Briefing 12

### 4. NEW LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK - UPDATE (Pages 21 - 42)

Centre for Public Scrutiny Policy Briefing 14

## **5. FORWARD PLAN**

The Forward Plan for the period January to April 2012 has now been published on the Council's intranet/website. Members are invited to review the Plan prior to the meeting in order for the Scrutiny Programme Board to consider, having regard to the work programme, whether scrutiny should take place of any items contained within the Plan and, if so, how it could be done within relevant timescales and resources.

## **6. WORK PROGRAMMES OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (Pages 43 - 80)**

- Council Excellence
- Children and Young People
- Economy and Regeneration
- Health and Well Being
- Sustainable Communities

## **7. REVIEW OF SCRUTINY PROGRAMME BOARD WORK PROGRAMME**

The Scrutiny Programme Board is requested to consider whether any matters should be added to its Work Programme for the remainder of the municipal year, having regard to its terms of reference and available timescales.

## **8. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR (PART 1)**

## **9. EXEMPT INFORMATION - EXCLUSION OF MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC**

The public may be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.

RECOMMENDED – That in accordance with section 100A (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items of business, on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined by the relevant paragraphs of Part 1 of Schedule 12A (as amended) to that Act. The public interest test has been applied and favours exclusion.

## **10. ANY OTHER URGENT BUSINESS APPROVED BY THE CHAIR (PART 2)**