## CORPORATE SCRUTINY AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

MONDAY 17 JUNE, 2013 AT 6.00 P.M. AT THE COUNCIL HOUSE

Panel Members Present	Councillor S. Coughlan Councillor J. Rochelle Councillor B. Douglas Maul Councillor G. Illmann - Walker Councillor D. Shires Councillor L. Jeavons
Portfolio holder present	Councillor C. Towe – Resources
Officers Present	Rory Borealis – Executive Director (Resources) Martin Saddler - Head of Shared Services & Procurement Lyn Hall – Head of Benefits Mohammed Irfan – Senior Accountancy Officer Carol Williams – Head of Programme Delivery Neil Picken – Senior Committee Business and Governance Manager

#### 206/13 APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Councillors M. Longhi and R. Worrall.

#### 207/13 SUBSTITUTIONS

Councillor Jeavons attended as a substitute for Councillor Worrall.

# 208/13 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of interest or party whip identified at this meeting.

#### 209/13 **MINUTES**

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on 9 April, 2013.

#### Resolved

That the minutes of the meeting held on 9 April, 2013, copies having previously been circulated, be approved as a true and accurate record.

# 210 /13 WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14

The Chair welcomed all Members to the meeting and advised that a number of areas had been suggested for consideration by the Panel during the 2013/14 Municipal year. These were detailed within the report [annexed].

In addition, the Chair suggested that a 'cross scrutiny panel' working group be established to consider the impact of the welfare reforms, taking in benefits and the council tax reduction scheme.

The Chair sought nominations from members to join the working group. The following members indicated that they wished to participate:-

- Councillor S. Coughlan
- Councillor I. Walker
- Councillor D. Shires

Members considered the suggested items for consideration as detailed within the report.

### Resolved

- 1. That a Working Group be established to consider the impact of the welfare reforms taking in benefits and council tax reduction scheme;
- 2. That Members of other Scrutiny Panels be advised of the Working Group with an invitation to join;
- 3. That the following items be added to the work programme for 2013/14:-
  - Budget and managing with reduced resources;
  - Health and Wellbeing;
  - Corporate Plan;
  - Intelligence and Data development;
  - Working Smarter Programme

## 211/13 Forward Plan

Members considered the forward plan.

A query was raised in relation 16/13 – To award a contract for the replacement of the IT system for human resources. The Head of Shared Services and Procurement advised that a replacement system was no longer being considered in the short term. The system in place would no longer be supported as of 2014 and so would be upgraded to ensure that it was still operational in 2014. A replacement system would be considered in the future.

## Resolved

That the forward plan be noted.

# 212/13 Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the date of the next meeting was 15 July, 2013.

The meeting terminated at 6.15pm.

Chair:

Date: