

# Scrutiny Committee Agenda



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A meeting of the  
**Scrutiny Committee**  
will be held on Wednesday 24 August 2011  
at 7pm  
Abbey House, Abingdon

## Members of the Committee:

### Councillors

Jim Halliday (Chair)  
Melinda Tilley (Vice-Chairman)  
Eric Batts  
Andrew Crawford  
Jane Crossley  
Tony de Vere

Charlotte Dickson  
Jason Fiddaman  
Bill Jones  
Sandy Lovatt  
Julie Mayhew-Archer  
Fiona Roper

A large print version of this agenda is available. In addition any background papers referred to may be inspected by prior arrangement.

Please note that this meeting will be held in a wheelchair accessible venue. If you would like to attend and have any special access requirements, please let the Democratic Services Officers know beforehand and they will do their very best to meet your requirements.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'M Reed', is written in a cursive style.

Margaret Reed  
Head of Legal and Democratic Services

Members are reminded of the provisions contained in the code of conduct adopted on 30 September 2007 and standing order 34 regarding the declaration of personal and prejudicial interests.

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## Open to the Public including the Press

### Map and vision

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A map showing the location of the venue for this meeting is attached. A link to information about nearby car parking is [http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/transport/car\\_parking/default.asp](http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/transport/car_parking/default.asp)

The council's vision is to build and safeguard a fair, open and compassionate community.

### 1. Notification of substitutes and apologies for absence

To record the attendance of substitute members, if any, who have been authorised to attend in accordance with the provisions of standing order 17(1), with notification having been given to the proper officer before the start of the meeting and to receive apologies for absence.

### 2. Minutes

To adopt and sign as a correct records the minutes of the committee meetings held on 23 June and 21 July 2011 (previously published).

### 3. Declarations of interest

To receive any declarations of personal or personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on the agenda for this meeting.

### 4. Urgent business and chair's announcements

To receive notification of any matters, which the chair determines, should be considered as urgent business and the special circumstances, which have made the matters urgent, and to receive any announcements from the chair.

### 5. Statements, petitions and questions from the public relating to matters affecting the Scrutiny Committee

Any statements and/or petitions from the public under standing order 32 will be made or presented at the meeting.

## **6. Leisure contract monitoring - DC Leisure**

(Pages 6 - 13)

To consider report 16/11 of the head of economy, leisure, and property.

## **7. Independent review on the conduct of the 2011 local elections**

To continue the committee's consideration of the independent review report on the conduct of the 2011 local elections.

Mr Tim Revell, Local Democracy Consultant, appointed to undertake the review, presented his report to the committee meeting held on 21 July 2011 and responded to questions. Mr David Buckle, Returning Officer, and his deputy returning officers also answered questions. However, the committee ran out of time to consider Mr Revell's recommendations and deferred consideration to this meeting.

Committee members are requested to bring their report with them to this meeting. This formed part of the agenda for 21 July meeting.

## **8. Annual equality and diversity update**

(Pages 14 - 20)

To consider report 17/11 of the head of corporate strategy.

## **9. Review of progress against the energy efficiency (carbon management) plan 2010/11**

(Pages 21 - 26)

To consider report 18/11 of the head of corporate strategy.

## **10. Scrutiny work programme**

(Pages 27 - 30)

To consider the attached scrutiny work programme, amend as necessary and recommend its approval to council.

## **11. Exclusion of the public, including the press**

The chair to move that in accordance with Section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public, including the press, be excluded from the remainder of the meeting to prevent the disclosure to them of exempt information, as defined in Section 100(I) and Part 1 of Schedule 12A, as amended, to the Act when the following item is considered:

### **Leisure contract monitoring**

(Category 3 - Information relating to the financial or business affairs of any particular person (including the authority holding that information.)

**Exempt information under section 100A(4) of the Local Government Act 1972**

**12. Leisure contract monitoring - DC Leisure**

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To consider the confidential annexes to report 16/11 of the head of economy, leisure and property.