

## **Terms of Reference of the Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny Sub Committee**

The Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny sub-committee has the following powers and duties:

- a) to develop a work programme for scrutiny of the safer and stronger communities related functions of the Council and partners in consultation with the Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
- b) to have specific responsibility for policy development and scrutiny of the following functions:
  - Equalities
  - Community cohesion
  - Partnership working
  - Crime & disorder
  - Anti social behaviour
  - Fear of crime
  - Liveability agenda
  - Public realm
  - Regulatory functions
  - Anti –poverty strategy
  - Voluntary sector
  - Short term planning issues relating to community safety/liveability issues
  - Short term housing issues relating to community safety/liveability issues
  - Community planning
  - Community engagement – except for young people
- c) to hold the HSP and its management groups to account for the delivery of the Local Area Agreement;
- d) to review and make reports and recommendations to the Executive and the Council in respect of the functions within its terms of reference;
- e) assist the Council and the Executive in the development of the budget and policy framework by analysis of policy issues;
- f) conduct research, community and other consultation in the analysis of policy issues and possible options;
- g) to consider, report and make recommendations on any matter within the sub-committee's terms of reference affecting the area and/or those who live, work or travel through Harrow;
- h) to conclude reviews promptly, normally within 6 months;
- i) to contribute to the annual report of the work of scrutiny.