

Meeting:	Performance and Finance
Date:	22 January 2008
Subject:	Reference to Overview and Scrutiny Committee
Key Decision: (Executive-side only)	No
Responsible Officer:	Jill Rothwell, Corporate Director, Strategy and Business Support
Portfolio Holder:	Cllr Paul Osborn
Exempt:	No
Enclosures:	n/a

SECTION 1 – SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

This report recommends the reporting of resolutions and findings from this meeting to the next available meeting of Overview and Scrutiny.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The Committee is requested to approve the drafting of a reference report to Overview and Scrutiny, setting out findings and resolutions, and identifying any issues on which Performance and Finance recommend that an item be escalated for further consideration.

SECTION 2 - REPORT

Background

Under the Performance and Finance Committee Protocol, which Overview and Scrutiny are expected to endorse at this meeting, after every meeting of the Performance and Finance Committee a report is submitted to Overview and Scrutiny Committee, outlining issues considered and, where appropriate, making recommendations for the further study of performance issues through the means of a challenge panel, or as an element in a light-touch or in-depth review.

Current situation

Findings from this meeting will be submitted, through a reference report, to the first available meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee. That Committee may make a decision to commission a detailed piece of work on a given item, subject to recommendations made by Performance and Finance.

The outcomes from this meeting will be provided to Overview and Scrutiny on 12 February together with the outcomes from the 6 November meeting. This is because there were a number of items for which more information was requested on 6 November. A decision was made to postpone the reference report until this extra information had been made available.

Why a change is needed

Not applicable.

Main options

As outlined in recommendation.

Other options considered

Not applicable

Recommendation: to approve the drafting of a reference report to Overview and Scrutiny, setting out findings and resolutions, and identifying any issues on which Performance and Finance recommend that an item be escalated for further consideration.

Considerations

Resources, costs and risks: none

Staffing/workforce: none

Equalities impact: none specific

Legal comments: none

Community safety: none

Financial implications

None

Performance issues

None specific.

Legal implications

None

SECTION 3 - STATUTORY OFFICER CLEARANCE

Name: Sheela Thakrar	<input type="checkbox"/>	on behalf of the Chief Financial Officer
Date: 10 January 2008		
Name: Stephen Dorrian	<input type="checkbox"/>	on behalf of the Monitoring Officer
Date: 10 January 2008		

SECTION 4 - CONTACT DETAILS AND BACKGROUND PAPERS

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Background Papers: *none*

IF APPROPRIATE, does the report include the following considerations?

1.	Consultation	YES/ NO
2.	Corporate Priorities	YES / NO
3.	Manifesto Pledge Reference Number	