

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANELS
(SOCIAL WELL-BEING)
(ENVIRONMENTAL WELL-BEING)
(ECONOMIC WELL-BEING)**

**1st JUNE 2010
8TH JUNE 2010
10TH JUNE 2010**

**WORK PLAN STUDIES
(Report by the Head of Democratic and Central Services)**

1. INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to allow Members of the Panel to review their programme of studies and to be informed of studies being undertaken by the other Overview and Scrutiny Panels.

2. STUDIES

- 2.1 The Council has a duty to improve the social, environmental and economic well-being of the District. This gives the Overview and Scrutiny Panels a wide remit to examine any issues that affect the District by conducting in-depth studies.
- 2.2 Studies are allocated according to the Council's service areas which have been identified as follows:-

Social Well-Being

Housing
Community
Leisure Centres
Operations (part)
Democratic and Central Services (part)
People, Performance and Partnerships (part)

Environmental Well-Being

Environmental and Technical Services
Planning Services
Environmental Health
Operations (part)

Economic Well-Being

Information Management
Finance
Customer Service and Call Centres
Revenues
Democratic and Central Services (part)
Law, Property and Governance
People, Performance and Partnerships (part)
HQ/Accommodation

2.3 On going studies have been allocated between the Panels accordingly:-

STUDY	PANEL	STATUS
Provision of play facilities for young people across the District.	Social Well-Being	Final report submitted to the Cabinet in April. Outcome of decisions to be reported to Panel in June.
Car parking at Hinchingbrooke Hospital.	Social Well-Being	Hospitals Business Facilities Manager to be invited to a future Panel meeting to report on decisions made by the Hospital's Senior Executive Group.
Tourism.	Economic Well-Being	Presentation to be received at Panel's June meeting.
Night Time Economy (Hospital's Perspective)	Economic Well-Being	Further Information to be sought from Council's Scrutiny & Review Manager.

2.4 The following have also been identified by Members as possible future studies:-

Review of the incentives contained in the Council's Travel Plan.	Environmental Well-Being
Waste disposal arrangements.	Environmental Well-Being
Management of capital projects by Environmental Management Section.	Economic Well-Being
The employee's performance development review process.	Economic Well-Being
Lessons learned from the Headquarters and other accommodation project.	Economic Well-Being
Industrial Units at Caxton Road, St Ives.	Economic Well-Being
Land use for agricultural purposes in the context of planning policies and its contribution to the local economy.	Environmental Well-Being

The Overview and Scrutiny (Environmental Well-Being) Panel may wish to consider conducting a study on rural transport which was discussed at the Council meeting on 21st April 2010.

3. RECOMMENDATION

3.1 The Panel is requested to note the progress of the studies selected.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Minutes and Reports from previous meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Panels.

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