

Sustainable Communities Scrutiny Panel

Role and Terms of Reference

Role of Scrutiny

Falling within the remit of the panel:

- Review or scrutinise decisions made in relation to the relevant Council function;
- Hold detailed reviews and make recommendations to the Cabinet or full Council;
- Assist the Council and the Executive in the development of the budget;
- Conduct in-depth analysis of policy issues and assist in policy development;

Role of Scrutiny (contd)

- Consider plans and strategies (including the Council Forward Plan of Key Decisions) prior to their implementation;
- Question members of the Executive and Boards and Chief Officers about their views on issues and proposals affecting the borough;
- Review performance;
- Liaise with external organisations.

Terms of Reference

The work of the panel will include scrutiny of:

- The Borough Wide Housing Strategy;
- Accountability of the ALMO and other housing providers;
- Environmental Issues and Waste Management (including waste reduction/recycling, pollution control; control of litter and fly tipping; dog fouling.

Terms of reference (contd)

- Trading Standards and Food Standards;
- Neighbourhood Development and Management of Neighbourhood Services;
- Development of Sustainable Communities;
- Anti-Social Behaviour and Community Safety;
- Strategic Partnerships linked to the above agenda's – e.g. SRP, LSP etc.