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AGENDA

Committee Administrator: Louise Hancock (01609 767015)

Wednesday, 28 May 2014

Dear Councillor

NOTICE OF MEETING

Meeting SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date Thursday, 5 June 2014

Time **9.30 am**

Venue Main Committee Room, Civic Centre, Stone Cross, Northallerton, DL6 2UU

Yours sincerely

P. Morton.

Phillip Morton Chief Executive

To: Councillors Councillors

A Wake (Chairman) Mrs I Sanderson K Billings Mrs S Shepherd

Mrs C S Cookman Mrs J Watson (Vice-Chairman)

Mrs F M Greenwell S Watson B Griffiths A W Wood

G J F Key

Other Members of the Council for information

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1. MINUTES
To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 13 May 2014 (SC.1 - SC.2), previously circulated.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE
3. WORK PROGRAMME - 2014/15 - REPORT OF THE CHAIRMAN 1 - 2
4. MATTERS OF URGENCY

Any other business of which not less than 24 hours' prior notice, preferably in writing, has been given to the Chief Executive and which the Chairman decides is urgent.

HAMBLETON DISTRICT COUNCIL

Report To: Scrutiny Committee

5 June 2014

From: Chairman of Scrutiny Committee

Subject: POLICY REVIEW WORK PROGRAMME 2014/15

All Wards

1.0 **SUMMARY**:

1.1 The purpose of this report is to invite the Committee to consider areas of policy review work for 2014/15.

2.0 BACKGROUND:

- 2.1 It is in the Council's Constitution that as a guideline the Council's Scrutiny Committee should undertake two policy reviews each year. However as in recent years it is suggested that only one topic for review be identified initially and that the position with regard to further reviews be considered mid year.
- 2.2 It is now necessary for review topics for 2014/15 to be determined. In considering topics for review the Committee is asked to consider the Council's Business Plan Priority Themes which are as follows:

Customer Services and Asset Management

- o To put our customers first and provide high quality, value for money services that meet the needs of our communities.
- Encouraging our residents to become more involved in making decisions and delivering services which impact on their local communities.
- o Improving the performance and productivity of our services.

Housing, Planning and Waste Management

- To minimise the impact of waste on the environment by increasing the amount of household waste that is recycled.
- To meet the housing needs of all sections of the local community by providing an adequate amount and range of housing, including affordable housing.
- To ensure that the Planning Service supports the sustainable economic growth and development of the District.
- To prevent homelessness by providing direct support to District residents in need.

Leisure and Health

- o Promote healthy lifestyles by promoting Council leisure facilities so that more people are participating in physical activity and who feel they are in good health.
- Supporting the community to participate in sport and active recreation.

Support Services and Economic Development

- o Provide financial sustainability.
- o Minimise the impact to the Council and community of the changes to Welfare Reform.
- To implement the Local tax scheme and ensuring all properties are taxed to minimise impact to the community and Council.
- o To support local economic growth.

3.0 **RECOMMENDATION:**

3.1 It is recommended that the Committee identifies potential areas of policy review for 2014/15.

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Background papers: None

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