

Meeting: OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 10th October 2007

Time: **7.30pm**

Venue: Committee Room 4, 2nd Floor, Brent Town Hall, Forty Lane, Wembley, HA9 9HD

AGENDA

Membership:

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Introductions, if appropriate.

Apologies for absence and clarification of alternate members

1. Declarations of Personal and Prejudicial Interests (if any)

Members are invited to declare at this stage of the meeting, any relevant financial or other interest in the items on this agenda.

p.i-iv 2. Minutes of the previous meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 24th July 2007

- 3. Matters Arising (if any)
- 4. Appointments to Sub Committees (if any)
- 5. **Deputations (if any)**

p.1 6. Report from the Director of Housing and Community Care

Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation (HMOs) – Referral from the Private Sector Housing Forum

The Housing Act 2004, which came into effect from April 2006, introduced mandatory licensing for higher risk houses in multiple occupation. This report provides a response to questions raised at the Private Housing Forum meeting held on 14th March 2007, as to why Brent Council has not issued any new licenses since the Act came into force.

This item was submitted to the last meeting of the Committee held on 24th July when it was deferred to this meeting.

p.7 7. Report from the Director of Environment and Culture

Proposed Climate Change Task Group

At its meeting on 18th June 2007, the Executive agreed to ask the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to set up a Climate Change Task Group to review the Council's Carbon Management Strategy and Implementation Plan 2007-11 and, in particular, consider the achievability of its ambitious reduction targets.

This item was submitted to the last meeting of the Committee held on 24th July when it was deferred to this meeting.



p.17 8. Report from the Director of Policy and Regeneration

Healthcare for London – Establishment of Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (London-wide)

This report provides members with an outline of the proposed consultation process by NHS London on the findings of the recent "*Healthcare for London: A framework for action*" report.

The formal consultation requests that a London wide Joint Health Overview & Scrutiny Committee (JHOSC) is established and that participating boroughs nominate members accordingly.

p.29 9. The Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report

The annual report on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's activities in 2006/07 is attached for consideration..

This item was submitted to the last meeting of the Committee held on 24th July when it was deferred to this meeting.

p.57 10. Report from the Director of Policy and Regeneration

Tourism in Brent – Final Report of the Task Group

Members are presented with the final report of the Tourism Task Group, which was set up by the Committee at its meeting on 19th October 2006 to investigate the current delivery of tourism services in Brent and how this could be improved.

This item was submitted to the last meeting of the Committee held on 24th July when it was deferred to this meeting.

11. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will take place on Wednesday, 11th December 2007.

12. Any Other Urgent Business

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