

Overview & Scrutiny Work Programme 2007/8				
Date	Issue	Detail	Proposed Outcome	Evidence Requested
May 2007	Voluntary Sector Funding Task Group Report	This is the final report of the VSF task group	O&S are asked to agree the report prior to it being forwarded to the Executive	Task group report
May 2007	Tourism Task Group Report	An update on the work of the tourism task group	Members are asked to comment on the interim proposals and recommendations of the task group	
May 2007	tPCT Turnaround Task Group referral	The tPCT Turnaround task group recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny committee examines the impact of the plan and its handling, on future partnership working. At the last meeting the O & S committee asked for a list of issues that highlight areas of legitimate concern for the committee to consider		
May 2007	New O & S task	Scopes of two new task group	To agree the scopes of the	

	groups		<i>Increasing Participation in Sports task group, and Town Centre Regeneration task group</i>	
May 2007	O & S Work Programme	A copy of the committees work programme for discussion and amendment		
July 2007 Meeting Cancelled due to death of Chair	Overview & Scrutiny Annual report	An annual report is produced at the end of each municipal year that sets out the work of all of the committees in the overview & scrutiny structure.	As the committee responsible for co-ordinating the councils scrutiny functions the committee could amend / agree the report	
July 2007 Meeting Cancelled due to death of Chair	Annual Report on the work of the Local Area Agreement and the Local Strategic Partnership	The O & S committee agreed on 14 th December 2006 that an annual report from the LSP should be incorporated in to the work programme	Members could identify areas for more detailed scrutiny.	
July 2007 Meeting Cancelled due to death of	Referral from Private Sector Housing Forum	The Private Sector Housing Forum asked that Overview & Scrutiny be asked to receive a report on the issue of licensing houses in		

Chair		multiple occupation. The Overview & Scrutiny Committee agreed at its meeting 17 th April that this should be brought to a future meeting		
July 2007 Meeting Cancelled due to death of Chair	Local Government White Paper	A briefing note on the Local Government White Paper and its implications for Brent		
July 2007 Meeting Cancelled due to death of Chair	Tourism Task Group	The task group's final report		
October 2007	Licencing of HMO's – Referral from the Private Sector Housing Forum	This report provides a response to the questions raised at the Private Sector Housing Forum as to why Brent has not issued any new licenses since the Act came into force. The Forum asked that O & D consider the issue	O&S are asked to review the issue and service response to ascertain whether any further investigation is required.	

October 2007	Proposal to set up a task group on Climate Change	In June 2007 the Executive agreed to ask O&S to set up a task group to review the Council's Carbon Management Strategy and Implementation Plan	Members are asked to agree the task group	
October 2007	Tourism Task Group	This is the final report for the Tourism Task Group	O&S are asked to agree the report prior to it being forwarded to the Executive	
October 2007	Overview & Scrutiny Annual report	An annual report is produced at the end of each municipal year that sets out the work of all of the committees in the overview & scrutiny structure.	As the committee responsible for co-ordinating the councils scrutiny functions the committee could amend / agree the report	
December 2007	Future of Customer Contact	The Executive has agreed proposals on how our customers contact can be improved. The aims of this review are to modernise existing customer contact arrangements through the use of new technology and sharing accommodation with other services in particular the library service.	The Overview & Scrutiny Committee could monitor the implementation of the proposal, to ensure that they are delivering more efficient, effective customer contact facilities & longer term processes.	

December 2007	Town Centre Regeneration Task Group	Task Group Update	Comment on progress and findings to date	
December 2007	Increasing Participation in Sports through Sports Clubs in Brent	Task Group Update	Comment on progress and findings to date	
December 2007	Work Programme & Tracking Scrutiny Recommendation	As a new chair has been appointed this provides the opportunity for the committee to update its work programme. This report also outlines how the committee can track task group recommendations		
December 2007	Older Peoples Health & Well Being Strategy –	The Overview & Scrutiny Committee will hear about the proposals contained in the draft strategy, test out how it was developed and whether the proposals are likely to deliver the stated aims.	The Committee could make recommendations for changes prior to the strategy going to the Executive	
February 2008	Licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation	Report of possible review of charges for Licensing fees		

February 2008	Draft Local Area Agreement			
Future Meeting	IT Services – IT strategy 2006-2010	A new IT Strategy for 2006 -2010 was agreed by the Executive in January 2007. Modernising the council's IT systems is key to delivering better more efficient services to our local community. This is true of both the inward facing functions and the external functions such as services for public access and members for instance.	At its meeting in February 2006 this committee received a presentation form the Head of IT which provided an overview of the strategy, and action plan for implementation. The committee recommended that its comments on the action plan and implementation be taken on board and that the Head of IT provides an update at a future meeting	Presentation from Director of IT
Future Meetings	Library Services	The Corporate Strategy 2006 -10 identifies modernising the provision of libraries in Brent to reflect the information and leisure needs of a diverse, urban community as a priority. It emphasises the use of new information technology to provide an integrated approach to customer services. A draft Library	The Committee could review how the Library Strategy is being implemented and consider whether or not it is be able to deliver on the outcomes identified in the corporate strategy.	

		strategy is currently being prepared for the Executive to be agreed early in the new year.		
Future Meetings	Housing Diversity Strategy	<p>This item will be looked at in the context of the Councils overall equalities policy.</p> <p>The Housing Diversity Strategy needs to be reviewed, updated and broadened to encompass more than ethnicity (e.g. to address issues around disability, age, gender).</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommendations for improved links with wider council policy/activity, especially within community care. • Recommendations for improved access to services across the range of target groups 	