

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

14 DECEMBER 2004

EXECUTIVE'S FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To provide the opportunity for the Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) to consider whether any item within the attached Executive's Forward Work Programme should be considered by this Board or referred to a particular Scrutiny Panel.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

2. As you are aware, the OSB has delegated powers to manage the work of Scrutiny, as it thinks fit, and if appropriate can exercise or delegate to individual Scrutiny Panels.
3. One of the main duties of the OSB is to hold the Executive to account by considering the forthcoming decisions of the Executive and to decide whether value can be added to the decision by the Scrutiny process in advance of the decision being made.
4. This would not negate Non-Executive Members ability to call-in a decision after it has been made.
5. As such, the most recent copy of the Executive's Forward Work Programme is attached as **Appendix 1** for the OSB's information.

RECOMMENDATION

6. It is recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny Board considers the content of the Executive's Forward Work Programme.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS - No background papers were used in the preparation of this report.