

## ECONOMIC & ENVIRONMENTAL SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

### Work programme 2012/2013 - evaluation

During the 2012/13 Municipal Year, the **Economic & Environmental Scrutiny Committee** held **9** meetings and met on the following dates – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012, 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2012, 29<sup>th</sup> November 2012, 13<sup>th</sup> December 2012, 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013, 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013 and 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

Members undertook the following scrutiny work:-

Call-ins/ references from Cabinet / Cabinet Cttee – the Scrutiny Committee considered **27 call-in items**. No items were called in from the Forward Plan.

Items referred direct to the Scrutiny Cttee –

- 19 items referred direct (due to there being insufficient time for call in period) – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012
- Approval of London Southend Airport & environs JAAP for public consultation – 13<sup>th</sup> December 2012
- All budget items were referred direct to the Scrutiny Committee and considered at the meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013 (**6 items**).

Pre Cabinet items – the Scrutiny Committee considered **22** pre Cabinet items:

- Development brief Leas Sun Shelter; low carbon energy strategy; accident Balmoral Road, Multifaith burials – 10<sup>th</sup> July 2012;
- BID – 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012;
- Audio equipment in Council Chamber; telecom installations; Gambling Licensing policy; 'Better bus area fund' - 20<sup>th</sup> September 2012;
- Southend LLP; Queensway House – 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2012;
- Road improvements; proposed policy on residents parking schemes; CCTV vehicle annual reassessment; JAAP; hackney carriage unmet demand survey; Elm Road development brief; Seaway car park – 29<sup>th</sup> November 2012;
- Impact of Estuary Airport proposal - 31<sup>st</sup> January 2013;
- Environmental enforcement strategy; Streetscape manual; changes to disclosure and barring - 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013.

Scheduled items - each meeting as appropriate:

- Questions from members of the public – the Deputy leader with special responsibility for Regeneration responded to a written question from a member of the public at the meeting in November 2012;
- Monthly Performance report – exceptions reports also considered;
- Minutes of the meetings of the Chairmen's Scrutiny Forum held on 29<sup>th</sup> March 2012 (reported to July meeting); 8<sup>th</sup> October 2012 (reported to November meeting); 11<sup>th</sup> February 2013 (reported to April meeting).

In-depth scrutiny project: Current project - *Developing strong partnership links to encourage investment in the town and the supply of employment opportunity* - topic agreed at meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> July (Minute 136 refers). Project plan agreed by full cttee on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2012 (Minute 539 refers). Project is chaired by Councillor Ian Gilbert. Witness sessions held and project is due to make final report to July scrutiny committee meeting.

Presentations & other matters considered:

- ◆ Work programme evaluation 2011/12 – 12<sup>th</sup> July 2012
- ◆ Items requested in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 35. 1 (d) – 3 items in September 2012.
- ◆ Update on Multi faith burials – 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013
- ◆ Meeting with Police – 30<sup>th</sup> April 2013