

SCRUTINY ACTIVITY REPORT

Report By: Deputy Chief Executive (Interim)

Wards Affected

County-wide

Purpose

1. To consider the work being undertaken by the Scrutiny Committees.

Financial Implications

2. None

Background

3. This report summarises the matters considered by the Scrutiny Committees since the last report by this Committee to Council. It is intended to help keep Council aware of the work being undertaken.
4. The work of the Committees is analysed below in accordance with the following two roles for scrutiny based on a University of Birmingham categorisation. Each Committee has also considered and rolled forward its work programme.

Holding the Executive to Account	Developing Policy
Questioning members of the Executive	Pre-Decision Scrutiny – commenting on decisions about to be made
Call-ins – Scrutinising decisions before they take effect	Policy Reviews and Development
Scrutinising decisions after they are made	External Scrutiny
Management of Performance	Health Scrutiny
Ensuring Corporate Priorities are Met	
Budget Scrutiny	
Community and Area Scrutiny	

Further information on the subject of this report is available from
Tim Brown, Committee Manager (Scrutiny) on 01432 260239

	Holding the Executive to Account	Developing Policy
Adult Social Care and Strategic Housing 22 June 2009	Revenue Budget Outturn and the Budget 2009/10 Integrated Commissioning (Social Care) Performance Outturn Strategic Housing Performance Outturn	
Children's Services 6 July 2009	Presentations by Cabinet Member (Children's Services) and the Cabinet Member (ICT, Education and Achievement) Kinship Carers and Children Cared for by unofficial carers Progress report – domestic abuse Children's Safeguarding Capital Budget Monitoring Revenue Budget Outturn Comprehensive Area Assessment and Performance Digest Swimming at Key Stage 2	Provision for Autistic Spectrum Conditions
Community Services 29 June 2009 13 July 2009	Presentation by the Cabinet Member (Economic Development and Community Services) Revenue Budget Monitoring Performance Monitoring Call-in of Cabinet	Review of the Backlog of Definitive Map Modification Orders Hereford United Football Ground Leases

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Environment 8 June 2009	Presentation by the Cabinet Member (Environment and Strategic Housing) Presentation by the Cabinet Member (Highways and Transportation) Reducing Energy Consumption – Street Lighting Update Executive Response to the Scrutiny Review of the Travellers Policy Capital Budget Monitoring Revenue Budget Monitoring Performance Monitoring	Options for increasing energy efficiency in buildings Environmental compliance of social care transport

(The Health Scrutiny Committee meeting scheduled for 17 June was cancelled. The Committee is due to meet on 31 July 2009)

BACKGROUND PAPERS

- None