CULTURE, TOURISM & ENTERPRISE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Agenda Item 13

Brighton & Hove City Council

Subject: Update on Work Programme 2009/10 and

Scrutiny Panel

Date of Meeting: 2 July 2009

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Wards Affected: All

FOR GENERAL RELEASE

1. SUMMARY AND POLICY CONTEXT:

- 1.1 This report provides an update on the draft work programme of the Committee for 2009-10 and the progress of the current scrutiny panel Environmental Industries Inquiry Capturing the potential and economic benefits for Brighton and Hove.
- 1.2 This report then provides a brief description of two potential topics for the next scrutiny panel to be undertaken and asks members to consider what they think could be a suitable topic for the next panel.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS:

- 2.1 This report recommends that CTEOSC members consider which would be appropriate topics for the next scrutiny panel. When the Committee has identified three potential subjects, a brief scoping report on each subject will be requested. These scoping papers will then assist the committee members to determine which topic should be taken forward as the next scrutiny panel.
- 2.2 That members note the amendments to the work plan for 2009/10.

3. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

3.1 Work Programme

The current work programme is attached as Appendix 1 to this report. It was developed following a discussion at the Chairman's meeting with the Director of Culture & Enterprise and other officers on 16th March 2009. Then further amendments have been made following the Chairman's meeting on 9th June 2009.

3.2 Environmental Industries panel

The Panel has held four public evidence sessions and heard from twenty different individuals and organisations ranging from universities and further education establishments, to unions and environmental consultants. The final report is now being drafted and will be presented to the next meeting of this Committee.

3.3 The next Scrutiny Panel

The Committee may wish to consider potential subjects for the next adhoc panel. Ad-hoc panels are intended to carry out "short, sharply focused pieces of work" and they should ideally be capable of being conducted within three meetings or less. The following items are only listed as potential subjects for the next panel, and members are invited to suggest any topics that they wish

a. Sports Facilities in the City

When the subject of ad-hoc panels was previously discussed by the Committee, the subject of sports facilities in the city was discussed. A report on "sports development update" is coming to the CTEOSC meeting planned for October, so Members may wish to wait until they have received this report before deciding whether they want to hold a panel into the subject.

b. A Cultural subject?

The Chairman has suggested that the next panel could come from the cultural side of the Committee's remit, as the last panel was economic. Therefore the Head of Culture and Economy may wish to suggest a suitable area.

4. CONSULTATION

4.1 The work programme and the subject of the next ad-hoc panel were discussed at the CTESOC Chairman's meetings on 16th March and 9th June 2009.

5. FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS:

Financial Implications:

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Legal Implications:

5.2 The rules of procedure relating to ad hoc overview & scrutiny panels, specifying their purpose, scope and member composition, are set out in Part 6.1, paragraph 5, of the council's constitution.

Lawyer consulted: Oliver Dixon Date consulted: 22.06.09

Equalities Implications:

5.3 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

Sustainability Implications:

5.4 There are no sustainability implications arising from this report.

Crime & Disorder Implications:

5.5 There are no crime and disorder implications arising from this report.

Risk and Opportunity Management Implications:

5.6 There are no risk and opportunity management implications arising from this report.

Corporate / Citywide Implications:

5.7 None arising from this report.

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendix

Suggested amended timetable for 2009/10.