

Appendix 2

Suggestions for Scrutiny Pending Approval

1 Community Engagement Framework

Referred by: Cllr Powell/FED

Issue: Some 3rd sector groups have expressed concerns that not all engagement by CEF signatories is in accordance with CEF procedures

Suggested Action: workshop event to be held jointly with BHCC Communities team. Invite 3rd sector and relevant BHCC and partner reps to talk through application of CEF (Autumn 14)

2 Community Use of School Playing Fields

Referred by: Cllr Buckley

Issue: looking to explore whether more can be done to encourage schools to share their leisure facilities (esp. playing fields) with the local community/community groups.

Suggested Action: committee report to Oct OSC

3 Financial Inclusion

Referred by: Policy team/on-going work arising from previous scrutiny panels

Issue: potentially to look at three areas relating to financial inclusion

Benefit Changes (i.e. the positive or negative impact on local people and implications for BHCC services)

Credit unions/payday loans (what the council can do to promote the former and to discourage use of the latter)

BHCC interactions with debtors (how the council deals with individual debtors – e.g. whether we have consistent and integrated approaches to collecting different types of debt/whether our collection is effective in terms of maximising income/whether our approach to debt collection supports vulnerable people)

Suggested Action: detailed scoping (in conjunction with policy team) – potentially leading to a series of member workshops and/or a scrutiny panel