

	Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 28 July 2015	Agenda Item No. 5
Title	Comments from the Executive	
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Service Area	Democratic Services	
Wards of the District directly affected	N/A	
Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006	No	
Date and meeting when issue was last considered and relevant minute number	30 June 2015	
Background Papers	Executive Minutes – 1 July 2015	

Contrary to the policy framework:	No
Contrary to the budgetary framework:	No
Key Decision?	No
Included within the Forward Plan? (If yes include reference number)	No

Officer/Councillor Approval		
With regard to officer approval all reports <i>must</i> be approved by the report authors relevant director, Finance, Legal Services and the relevant Portfolio Holder(s).		
	Date	Name
Relevant Director		
Chief Executive		
CMT		
Section 151 Officer		
Legal		
Finance		
Portfolio Holders		

Consultation Undertaken	
N/A	
Final Decision?	Yes
Suggested next steps (if not final decision please set out below)	

1. **Summary**

- 1.1 This report informs the Committee of the response the Executive gave to their comments regarding the reports submitted to the Executive on 1 July 2015.

2. **Recommendation**

- 2.1 The responses made by the Executive are noted.

3. **Reasons for the Recommendation**

- 3.1 This report is produced to create a dialogue between the Executive and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. It ensures that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee are formally made aware of the Executive's responses.
- 3.2 Where the Overview & Scrutiny Committee have made a recommendation as opposed to a comment the Executive are required to respond to the recommendation(s) made, including whether or not they accept the recommendation(s).

4. **Alternative Option considered**

- 4.1 This report is not produced and presented to the Committee.

5. **Budgetary Framework**

- 5.1 All work for the Committee has to be carried out within existing resources.

6. **Policy Framework**

- 6.1 The work carried out by the Committee helps the Council to improve in line with its priority to manage services openly efficiently and effectively.

7. **Background**

- 7.1 As part of the new scrutiny process, the Committee is no longer considering the whole of the Executive agenda.
- 7.2 On the day of publication of the Executive agenda all Councillors are sent an e-mail asking them to contact Committee Services, by 09.00am on the day of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting to advise which Executive items they would like the Committee to consider.
- 7.3 As a result the Committee considered the items detailed in appendix 1. The response the Executive gave on each item is also shown.
- 7.4 In reviewing these responses Committee can identify any issues for which they would like a progress report. A future report, for example on how the decision has been implemented, would then be submitted to the Committee at an agreed date which would then be incorporated within the work programme.

**Response from the meetings of the Executive on Overview and Scrutiny
Committee Comments – 1 July 2015**

Items no.	3	Title	Housing Allocations Policy Review	Requested by	Labour Group
Reason considered	We would like further clarification on a few areas.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Overview & Scrutiny Committee noted the report.				
Executive Response	The Executive approved the recommendations in the report.				

Item no.	7	Title	The Introduction of a Pre-Application charging regime for development proposals	Requested by	Whitnash Residents' Association
Reason considered	Would like to know how they are going to measure the success of the scheme and what online access there will be. Will it be phone / writing only. An online ticket based system (with payments) may help with measurement of success of any system. Could not see any mention of this.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Overview & Scrutiny Committee agreed to have a report back, to them, 6 months after introduction of the scheme, on how it is operating. However they had no comments on the report at this stage.				
Executive Response	Officers were authorised, in consultation with the Development Services Portfolio Holder and the Leader of the Council, to review the operation of the regime after 6 months, and quarterly thereafter, by both scrutiny committees, to determine whether to permanently retain it in its existing or a modified form, or whether to discontinue its operation.				