

 Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 2 December 2014		Agenda Item No. <div style="float: right; font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold;">6</div>
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Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006	No	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	4 November 2014	
Background Papers	Executive Minutes – 5 November 2014	

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 in November.

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.

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Committee Comments – 5 November 2014**

Items no.	4	Title	Sports & Leisure Options	Requested by	Lib Dem Group / Independent Group / Labour Group
Reason considered	<p>Lib Dem Group – Because of the importance of this service to the residents of the District.</p> <p>Independent Group – To talk about the principle of going forward with the options.</p> <p>Labour Group – In view of the importance of sports and leisure facilities to health and wellbeing in the District and the strategic nature of the work proposed.</p>				
Scrutiny Comment	The Committee noted the recommendations in the report and formally recommended that the Executive accept them.				
Executive Response	<p>The Portfolio Holder for Cultural Services, Councillor Mrs Gallagher thanked the report authors and all officers involved in the compilation of the report. She was pleased that Members had clearly read all the papers prior to scrutiny and felt this was largely down to the effective communication by officers. In addition, Councillor Mrs Gallagher was disappointed that the local press had not reported the Council's press statement accurately, which had caused upset amongst residents. However, she hoped that this report would clarify the position and she proposed the recommendations as laid out.</p>				

Item no.	6	Title	Bishop's Tachbrook Community Centre	Requested by	Independent Group
Reason considered	Due to it setting a precedent.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Committee agreed a consensus on recommendation 2.3, but did not agree a consensus on this particular issue.				
Executive Response	<p>The Executive agreed the recommendations in the report subject to a change to recommendation 2.2.6, which was amended to read: "The funding is approved only when a full <u>robust and viable</u> Business Plan for the centre is received..."</p>				

Item no.	11	Title	Code of Conduct Consultation	Requested by	Independent Group
Reason considered	Questions on the report.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Committee noted the report.				
Executive Response	The Executive was disappointed that the Scrutiny Committees had not taken the opportunity to submit comments and embrace debate on this				

	matter. However, it was agreed that all Councillors would be contacted and encouraged to submit their comments to Committee Services by close of play on 18 November 2014. These comments would then be taken into account at the Working Party meeting on 19 November, along with all other comments received.
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Item no.	13	Title	Local Plan Consultations	Requested by	Independent Group
Reason considered	Because of its importance to the District.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Committee noted the recommendations in the report and that the Chief Executive had used his delegated authority to move things forward.				
Executive Response	The Executive agreed the recommendations in the report.				