

	Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 8 March 2016	Agenda Item No. 4
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Is the report private and confidential and not for publication by virtue of a paragraph of schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972, following the Local Government (Access to Information) (Variation) Order 2006	No	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	9 February 2016	
Background Papers	Executive Minutes – 10 February 2016	

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 February.

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 – 10 February 2016**

Items no.	3	Title	Waste Container Charging	Requested by	Labour Group
Reason considered	To consider the impact on the service.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Overview and Scrutiny Committee supported the recommendations in the report but requested that monitoring take place on information such as the number of bins/boxes bought, number supplied; and whether recycling has increased/decreased. The Committee will be requiring a review in 12 months' time on the service.				
Executive Response	<p>In response to the comments from the Scrutiny Committees it was explained that the charging scheme would only recover around 50% of the costs to the Council and therefore a budgeted was required to fund the remaining 50%.</p> <p>The Portfolio Holder agreed that further work needed to be done to train operatives to ensure boxes were not damaged and returned correctly to households. That said this work was ongoing and improvements had already been made due to the robust working relationship that the Council had with Sita. He welcomed the report back to Overview & Scrutiny Committee in 12 months and informed the Executive that he would be providing them with regular updates.</p>				

Items no.	8	Title	Design Guidance for the Strategic Urban Extension, South of Royal Leamington Spa and Warwick (February 2016)	Requested by	Labour Group
Reason considered	To discuss comments from the consultation that could be incorporated into the guidance e.g. on housing design and density.				
Scrutiny Comment	The Overview & Scrutiny Committee agreed with the design guidance and considered it to be a good document. However, the Committee would like to see in practice higher housing densities where appropriate.				
Executive Response	The Executive noted the comments from the Overview & Scrutiny Committee but highlighted that density of housing was not matter that could be considered as part of this document.				