



MANCHESTER
CITY COUNCIL

CITIZENSHIP AND INCLUSION OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday 12 December 2007
Time: 2.00 pm
Venue: Committee Room 11, Town Hall
**There will be a pre-meeting for members at
1.30pm in Committee Room 3**

AGENDA

1. Urgent Business

To consider any items which the Chair has agreed to have submitted as urgent.

2. Appeals

To consider any appeals from the public against refusal to allow inspection of background documents and/or the inclusion of items in the confidential part of the agenda.

3. Interests

To allow Members an opportunity to [a] declare any personal or prejudicial interests they might have in any items which appear on this agenda; and [b] record any items from which they are precluded from voting as a result of Council Tax/Council rent arrears [c] the existence and nature of party whipping arrangements in respect of any item to be considered at this meeting.

Members with a personal interest should declare that interest at the start of the item under consideration. If members also have a prejudicial interest they must withdraw from the meeting during the consideration of the item.

4. Minutes

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 14 November 2007

Items for Investigation

5. Illegal Use of Drugs in a Social Setting

To explore current trends towards drug use in the City with a view to establishing what more can be done in terms of education and enforcement

6. CCTV Update

To consider the CCTV Strategy and its contribution to tackling Crime and Disorder issues and to look at plans for the development of the new strategy

7. Neighbourhood Partnerships

To investigate how the new Neighbourhood Partnerships will seek to engage and communicate with the Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy/Community Strategy and helping to create safer neighbourhoods taking evidence from across the City.

8. Business Plans 2008/9

To consider which Business Plans the Committee may wish to receive as part of its role in the scrutiny of budget and service planning for 2008/9.

9. Information and Overview Report

INFORMATION ABOUT SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

As part of the process of democratic renewal in Manchester the Council has established six Overview and Scrutiny Committees to investigate major and new policy issues and to review specific areas of service delivery. They also have power to review decisions taken by the Executive that have been 'called-in' to Council by the Chair of a Scrutiny Committee or by five members of the Council. These Committees deal with the following areas of interest -

- Children and Young People
- Economy, Employment and Skills
- Resources and Governance
- Communities and Neighbourhoods
- Citizenship and Inclusion
- Health and Well-being

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