

ENVIRONMENT AND ECONOMY SELECT COMMITTEE – TERMS OF REFERENCE

1. Membership - 11 (not Members of the Executive)
2. Quorum - 4
3. Terms of Reference
 - 3.1 To determine a Scrutiny work programme to examine the spending, policies and administration of the Council's services within the purview of the Assistant Director (Regeneration), Assistant Director (Stevenage Direct Services), Assistant Director (Housing Development) and Assistant Director (Planning & Regulatory) and relationships with partners and external agencies involved with these services, together with a timetable and method of study for each topic.
 - 3.2 To determine formal recommendations in relation to scrutiny studies undertaken for reporting to the Council, Executive, other Committees, Officers and / or partner agencies as appropriate.
 - 3.3 To review the Forward Plan of Key Decisions in relation to services within the purview of the Strategic Director (Environment), considering if it wishes to make any input to policy issues contained in the Plan and if so, how. In undertaking this work the Committee may call upon the relevant Executive Member and/or the Strategic Director to provide a briefing or take part in discussion.
 - 3.4 To consider any policy issues within the remit of the Select Committee referred by the Executive and raising any other issues it considers appropriate.
 - 3.5 To work with the Community Select Committee or the Overview & Scrutiny Committee, as appropriate when considering cross-cutting scrutiny studies and policy development when both Committees have so agreed.
 - 3.6 To consider matters referred to the Committee under the procedure for the Councillor Call for Action in relation to matters within the purview of the Strategic Director (Environment).
 - 3.7 In accordance with the Petitions Scheme, consider Petitions, Petition Reviews and interview Senior Council Officers (as requested by a Petition) in relation to matters within the purview of the Strategic Director (Environment).

- 3.8 In conjunction with the Community Select Committee and the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, responsibility for the ongoing development of the Policy Development and Scrutiny function of the Council.
- 3.9 To report to the Executive, other committees or Council, as appropriate.