

**REGENERATION AND TECHNICAL
OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Monday 7th June 2010**

PRESENT – *Councillor Mulla, Browne, Gee, Harling and Pearson.*

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Cllr Alan Cottam	- Executive Member for Regeneration
Brian Baliey	- Director for Regeneration
Tom Stannard	- Lead Officer
Paul Conlon	- Principal Scrutiny Officer
John Addison	- Scrutiny Officer

RESOLUTIONS

1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies were received from Councillor Johnson, Julie Slater and Khonat. The Committee had one vacancy on its membership.

In the absence of both the Chair and the Vice-Chair, nominations were invited for the Chair of the Regeneration and Technical Overview and Scrutiny Committee for this meeting only.

It was proposed by Councillor Harling and seconded by Councillor D. Pearson:

“That Councillor Mulla be appointed Chair of the Regeneration and Technical Overview and Scrutiny Committee for this meeting only”

Upon being put to the vote, Members voted unanimously for Councillor Mulla, whereupon Councillor Mulla was appointed Chair of the Regeneration and Technical Overview and Scrutiny Committee for this meeting only.

Resolved:

That Councillor Mulla be appointed Chair of the Regeneration and Technical Overview and Scrutiny Committee for this meeting only.

Councillor Mulla took the Chair.

2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th February 2010

RESOLVED – That the minutes of the meeting held on the 24th February 2010 be received and signed.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made.

4 Work of the Executive

The Executive Member for Regeneration was invited to give the Committee a brief overview and update on performance data for his Portfolio, and to highlight any future decisions that he may be taking between this Committee and the Committees next meeting to be held in August 2010.

Members were also provided with a budget position statement for the Regeneration portfolio, which included progress on the efficiency reviews and the overall budget position for the department from the last financial year.

The Committee considered a verbal update on performance data for the Regeneration Portfolio, the forward plan relating to the portfolio and the current position in relation to the budget.

The Executive Member for Regeneration informed Members that he was pleased with the performance data for his portfolio and highlighted a few issues that would be of interest to the Committee.

In response to a question about the current time table for the Blackburn Market move to its new premises, the Executive Member informed the Committee that the move was still scheduled to take place on the 5th March 2011.

Members then held a discussion with the Executive Member for Regeneration and Officers regarding the forward plan and up coming decisions to be made in the current economic climate.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the report be noted.

5 Work of the Executive and the Performance Agreement

The Chair asked the Executive Member for Regeneration to outline his departments top five priorities for the next twelve months, what he considered to be his three biggest risks and the impact these may have.

The Executive Member for Regeneration outlined the strategic and operational priorities for his Portfolio over the coming year;

- The implications of the governments budget on the regeneration
- Graveyard capacity
- Highways Asset Management Integrated Service.
- Waste management
- Transport infrastructure
- Market relocation.

Members were also informed of the Portfolios biggest risks over the course on the next 12 months;

- The departments budget
- Pennie Lancashire Work

Members held a discussion with the Executive Member for Regeneration, in particular about the current global recession and its impact on the Councils own budget. The Executive Member informed the Committee that there was currently a lot of uncertainty with regards to his and the Council's budget and that he hoped to provide the Committee with more information at the Committees next meeting after the Governments emergency budget on the 22nd June 2010.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the Executive Members for Regeneration be thanked for his presentation.

6 Work Programme for the Year

The Lead Officer reminded Members of some of the issues highlighted throughout the Committees meeting, along with the Committees legacy items from the work plan for 2009/2010.

It was noted by the Committee that the recommendations made during the previous year would be reviewed at the Committees August meeting.

Members agreed that the suggested work topics would be forwarded to all members of the Committee for consideration and further ideas. It was agreed that these would then be put to the Chair and Vice Chair for consideration and circulated to the Committee and then be submitted to the Policy and Review Committee for consideration.

RESOLVED:

That after consideration the Committees work programme under delegated responsibility to the Chair and Vice Chair be submitted to the Policy and Review Committee for approval.

Signed.....
Chair of the meeting at which the Minutes were signed

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