

SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

TUESDAY 13 JULY 2010
7.00 PM

Bourges/Viersen Room - Town Hall

AGENDA

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1. **Apologies for Absence**

2. **Declaration of Interest**

At this point Members must declare whether they have an interest, whether personal or prejudicial, in any of the items on the agenda. Members must also declare if they are subject to their party group whip in relation to any items under consideration.

3. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

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To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2010.

OPERATIONAL ITEMS

4. **Peterborough Women's Enterprise Centre**

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5. **Passenger Transport Framework Tender**

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6. **Floating Support Contract: Cross Keys Homes Extension of Contract**

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7. **Forward Plan**

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8. **Work Program**

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9. **Date of the next Meeting**

Committee Members:

Councillors: D Over (Chairman), G Nawaz (Vice-Chairman), R Dobbs, D Sanders, D Harrington and A Shaheed

Substitutes: Councillors: J Stokes, J A Fox and D Fower

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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES
HELD ON
TUESDAY 8 JUNE 2010 AT THE FORLI ROOM - TOWN HALL**

Present: Councillors D Over (Chairman), G Nawaz (Vice-Chairman), R Dobbs, D Sanders, D Harrington and A Shaheed

Officers Present: Mike Heath, Commercial Services Director
Ruth Lea, Lawyer
Alana Hair, Governance Officer

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meeting held on 22 March 2010 were approved.

4. Review of work undertaken in 2009-2010

The Commission received a report from the Governance officer which provided the Commission with a brief review of the scrutiny work undertaken, and the outcomes of this work, in the 2009-2010 municipal year.

The Commission also received the following responses in relation to recommendations from the previous meeting:

Play Provision: A play strategy is being written by the Open Spaces Team who will work with the Neighbourhood Managers to ensure the Community Action Planning process is taken in to account when the strategy is developed.

The Neighbourhood Manager (Citywide) intends to liaise between the Recreation Manager and the Greater Peterborough Partnership and the Parishes on the strategy to ensure the Villages' needs, aspirations and vision, are incorporated where possible.

Business, Employment and Training: The Greater Peterborough Partnership have been working with the Council to design a questionnaire for residents and businesses in the rural areas. This is currently out for consultation with the Parishes, and it is anticipated that the outcome of the questionnaire and accompanying report will be the subject of a future report to the Commission later in the year.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the Women's Enterprise Centre and the Rural Housing Strategy be included on the agenda for the next meeting.

5. Priorities and Scrutiny Programme for the 2010-2011 year

The Commission received a presentation from the Chairman which sought to inform the Commission's work programme for the forthcoming year.

In response to questions raised by Councillors, the Lawyer (Education Children Services and Adult Social Care) agreed to investigate the process by which people were allocated affordable housing.

The Commission agreed to include the following in its Work Programme for the 2010-2011 year:

PRIORITY	ACTION	SUCCESS CRITERIA
Creating Strong and Supportive Communities	<i>Making villages safe</i>	To continue to reduce car speeds down to 50 mph along rural roads To develop cycleways and quiet roads
	<i>Empowering local communities</i>	To continue to support the work of the Neighbourhood Councils
	<i>Building pride in Peterborough</i>	A visible presence in the rural areas
Substantial and Truly Sustainable Growth	<i>Increasing economic prosperity</i>	To plan for rural economic development, eg. farmers' markets, leisure events such as the Bainton Literary Festival which kickstart other development
	<i>Creating better places to live</i>	To encourage 'affordable' housing to meet the needs of villagers End to speculative tacked-on estates
	<i>Infrastructure of the future</i>	An imaginative vision of what the villages could be like in ten years time
	<i>Safe and vibrant city and other centres</i>	To work closely with the Cambridgeshire Constabulary to encourage patrolling and a visible police presence in rural areas
Creating the UK's Environment Capital	<i>Conserving natural resources</i>	To encourage the enhancing of the rural environment and opening it up for leisure and tourism
	<i>Increasing the use of sustainable transport</i>	To encourage cycling or use of busses, call connect and other sustainable transport provision

	<i>Growing the Environmental Business Sector</i>	To encourage rural business To support the 'Women's Business Centre' to work in rural areas
Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities	<i>Regenerating neighbourhoods</i>	Investment in rural infrastructure
	<i>Improved health</i>	To recognise what health provision there is in the rural areas
	<i>Improving education and skills</i>	To review education and training for rural business

6. Forward Plan

The Commission received the latest version of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions (1 June to 30 September 2010) and was asked to identify any items it wished to consider at a future meeting.

The Commission identified the following items for inclusion in its work programme:

- Passenger Transport Framework Tender requirements for special educational needs and mainstream school contract
- Floating support Contract: Cross Keys Homes Extension of Contract

7. Date of the next Meeting

The next meeting of the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities was scheduled to be held on 13 July 2010.

The meeting began at 7.00 pm and ended at 7.53 pm

CHAIRMAN

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SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES	Agenda Item No. 4
13 JULY 2010	Public Report

Report of the Executive Director of Operations

Contact Officer(s) – Anne Senior, Economic Participation Programme Manager
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PETERBOROUGH WOMEN’S ENTERPRISE CENTRE

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide a brief background to the establishment of the Women’s Enterprise Centre (WEC), and the aims and objectives of the WEC in response to a request from the Scrutiny Commission on the work undertaken or is planned to be undertaken to engage with women in rural areas.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 To review the details of the Women’s Enterprise Centre and to make any appropriate recommendations for future development.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

- 3.1 The Economic Participation Programme and in particular the activities of the project link directly the achievements of the Local Area Agreement and National Indicators as listed below:

LAA priority	Regenerating Neighbourhoods
LAA outcome	National Indicator NI153 – working age people claiming out of work benefits in the worst performing neighbourhoods

LAA priority	Increasing Economic Prosperity
LAA Outcome	National Indicator NI151 – Overall employment rate NI166 – Average earnings of employees in the area NI171 – VAT registration rate

4. BACKGROUND

Background to the establishment of the WEC

- 4.1 Peterborough City Council is working together with the East of England Development Agency (EEDA) to enable people to achieve their potential in work or self employment as outlined in the Investing in Communities (IiC) Business Plan 2007-11. The aim of the programme is to ensure that the most deprived communities can achieve their full potential and therefore contribute to, and benefit from, sustainable economic growth in the Peterborough Area.
- 4.2 The Women’s Enterprise Centre project was borne of an idea from the Leader of the Council, following the “Inspiring Women” conference. The Economic Participation Programme had identified unallocated funding, which was being advertised across Peterborough for organisations with potential project ideas which fit the EP programme criteria to apply for funding.

- 4.3 The leader and the chief executive drew on the experience of an external organisation to draw up a business case and selected a venue for a Women's Business Centre. This business case was submitted to the Economic Participation Programme along with other projects from both internal and external organisations as an application for the funding.
- 4.4 The application progressed along the EP programme application process, until it was approved by the Neighbourhood Regeneration Strategic Board and EEDA on 29 October 2009.

The WEC's aims and objectives

- 4.5 The objectives for this project are:
- To create a centre of excellence for the support and development of women starting and running their own business
 - To provide economic opportunity for women in order to enhance their contribution to the regional economy
 - To Improve opportunity, social inclusion and wealth for women
 - To raised awareness of and increased access to support
- 4.6 The outcomes from this project will be:
- A centre and outreach provision were services are accessible to women from all sectors of society regardless of any special requirements or ethnic background.
 - high quality services to facilitate opportunities for women to succeed in their chosen field.
 - women who want to start or grow a business, or progress within their chosen career are given the support and encouragement they need to succeed

Any work undertaken or planned to engage women in rural areas

- 4.7 The aim of the Economic programme is to ensure the most deprived communities can achieve their full potential and therefore contribute to, and benefit from, sustainable economic growth in the Peterborough Area. Research shows that the most deprived areas as evidenced by the indices of Multiple Deprivation are:
- Dogsthorpe
 - East
 - Paston
 - Central
 - Ravensthorpe

- 4.8 The project recognises that there are issues of deprivation in rural areas that have are not identified by the indices of Multiple Deprivation. And whilst the funding does not target specifically women in rural communities, the centre accommodates every woman who walks into the centre, irrespective of where they live in Peterborough.

Any other work specific to supporting women's enterprise in rural areas

- 4.9 The project staff can work with the Scrutiny Commission to develop a programme of activities that will actively support enterprise for women in rural areas.

5. NEXT STEPS

- 5.1 The Scrutiny Commission are asked to consider the information on the Women's Enterprise Centre and to make any appropriate recommendations for future development.

6. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 6.1 Investing in Communities (IiC) Business Plan 2007-11
Evidence Base 2006

7. APPENDICES

7.1 None.

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SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES	Agenda Item No. 5
13 JULY 2010	Public Report

Report of the Executive Director of Operations

Contact Officer(s) – Cathy Summers - Team Manager Passenger Transport Contracts and Planning

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PASSENGER TRANSPORT FRAMEWORK CONTRACT

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report is being presented at the request of the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities. The item is currently listed on the Forward Plan for July 2010.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Commission is asked to scrutinise and comment on the proposed decision prior to its submission to the Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning for decision.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

- 3.1 This area of work relates directly to the Sustainable Communities Strategy, specifically the priority to create the country's environment capital and deliver substantial and truly sustainable growth. There are links to the following national indicators:

NI175 Access to services by public transport, walking and cycling

NI177 Local bus passenger journeys

NI185 CO2 reduction from local authority operations

NI186 Per capita CO2 emissions

NI198 Children travelling to school – mode of transport used

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 School transport is provided in line with the Council's Children's Services Transport Policy (September 2007) and provides free or subsidised transport for a number of schools as per the requirements of the Education Act 1996 and Education and Inspections Act 2006.
- 4.2 Transport is required for children in mainstream education and those with special educational and social care needs. Contracts are tendered on a rolling procurement programme to ensure best value.
- 4.3 The procurement process followed was an open process in accordance with EU Procurement Directives. Expressions of interest in the tender were invited by advertising it through the Official Journal of the European Union (OJEU).
- 4.4 Full evaluation of the tenders has not yet been completed. The evaluation process will involve assessing each contractors under a number of categories - Financial, Insurances, Health and Safety, Equality (including equal opportunities) and Environmental criteria, with particular emphasis directed at the Technical Ability and Quality Capacity.

5. KEY ISSUES

5.1 None.

6. IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are financial implications in that the cost of transport may go up as well as down as a result of this tendering exercise.

6.2 There are no significant implications to any particular ward or area. Whilst, as a result of this tendering exercise, there may be a change to individual suppliers of services, there is no change to the Council's Children's Services Transport Policy.

7. CONSULTATION

Current Suppliers

If routes are to be transferred to another supplier, the Transfer of Undertakings (Protection of Employment) Regulations may apply.

Childrens Services

As budget holders for this area, Children's Services have been consulted on this Framework process.

There is a service level agreement in place between the Operations and Childrens Services departments for the provision of children's transport.

Legal

The Council has a statutory duty to secure the provision of transport services as detailed in the Framework Contract. Legal Services have provided advice throughout this procurement process.

Procurement

Compliance with European legislation in relation to contract procurement has been adhered to throughout this procurement process.

8. NEXT STEPS

8.1 Full evaluation will need to take place as detailed at 4.1 above. In accordance with the Council's Contract Regulations, approval to award contracts to individual suppliers will be sought via a Cabinet Member Decision Notice.

9. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

9.1 None.

10. APPENDICES

10.1 None.

SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES	Agenda Item No. 6
13 JULY 2010	Public Report

Report of the Executive Director of Operations

Contact Officer(s) – Belinda Child, Housing Strategic Manager

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FLOATING SUPPORT CONTRACT: CROSS KEYS HOMES EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This report is being presented at the request of the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities. The item is currently listed on the Forward Plan for July 2010.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Commission is asked to scrutinise and comment on the proposed decision prior to its submission to the Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning for decision.

3. LINKS TO THE SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITY STRATEGY AND LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

- 3.1 NI 141 Percentage of vulnerable people who have moved on in a planned way from temporary accommodation.
- 3.2 NI 142 Percentage of vulnerable people achieving independent living which sits within Creating Opportunities, tackling Inequalities in the LAA.
- 3.3 As a cross cutting partnership programme the Supporting People programme also contributes to the achievement of another 41 national Indicators, such as NI 7 which measures the environment for a thriving third sector, NI 145 which measures adults with a learning disability in settled accommodation and NI 138 which measures the satisfaction of people over 65 with both home and neighbourhood.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 The Floating Support service offers a free and flexible housing-related advice and support service. This service aims to help people across all tenures and across all areas of the City, to live independently and maintain their tenancies through the use of a support plan tailored to their individual needs. It provides support for all ages from 16 years plus.

- 4.2 The support given covers the following:-

- Risk assessment in relation to housing related support tasks
- Advice to help set up home, maintaining the tenancy, managing finances and benefit claims (but not control over finances)
- Help in gaining access to other services such as providing advice on: needs assessment, accommodation offers, changes in support levels and move on accommodation. Includes enabling service users to contact and gain access to services relevant to setting up and maintaining home and tenancy
- Emotional support, counselling and advice, including culture specific, such as talking to, discussing and advising the service user on issues related to their housing situation or

tenancy; signposting to other services

- Developing social skills/developing skills necessary to live independently
- Assisting service users to manage their health and well being e.g. supporting access to advice and information as part of a package of support and signposting to other services
- Liaison with probation
- Access to local community organisations. Liaison or advocacy from same ethnic group
- Help in maintaining safety and security to the dwelling. Eligibility limited to occasional locking up on an average once or twice a month
- Provision of community alarms
- Advice in establishing personal safety and security
- Help in establishing social contacts and activities
- Reminding service user to clean accommodation. Eligible only as occasional prompting
- Advice and support on repairs, Home improvements, Disabled Facilities grants (e.g. Care and Repair) or Home Agency type services. Eligibility only on how/where to report repairs not actual carrying out repairs

4.3 The contract was awarded in August 2007 following the Council's procurement process.

4.4 Authorisation of the Cabinet Member is sought to enable the extension of the existing Cross Keys Homes Floating Support contract as agreed by the Supporting People Commissioning Body on 29th January 2010. The extension is to be from 28th August 2010 to 27th August 2011 and then a further year from 28th August 2011 to 27th August 2012.

5. IMPLICATIONS

5.1 This service is City wide and tenure neutral.

6. CONSULTATION

6.1 Regular contract reviews have been undertaken and are still ongoing which have not identified any service quality issues.

7. NEXT STEPS

7.1 Refer to the Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning for Consideration.

8. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

8.1 None

9. APPENDICES

9.1 None

SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES	Agenda Item No. 7
13 JULY 2010	Public Report

Report of the Solicitor to the Council

Contact Officer(s) – Alana Hair, Governance Officer
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FORWARD PLAN – JULY 2010 TO OCTOBER 2010

1. PURPOSE

- 1.1 This is a regular report to the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities outlining the content of the Council's Forward Plan.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Commission identifies any relevant items for further investigation and inclusion within its work programme.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The latest version of the Forward Plan is attached at appendix 1 to this report. The Plan contains those key decisions, which the Leader of the Council believes that the Cabinet or individual Cabinet Member(s) will be making over the next four months.
- 3.2 The information in the Forward Plan provides the Committee with the opportunity of considering whether it wishes to seek to influence any of these key decisions, or to request further information.
- 3.3 If the Committee wished to examine any of the key decisions, consideration would need to be given as to how this could be accommodated within the work programme.

4. CONSULTATION

- 4.1 Details of any consultation on individual decisions are contained within the Forward Plan.

5. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Used to prepare this report, in accordance with the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

- 5.1 None.

6. APPENDICES

- 6.1 Forward Plan of Key Decisions 1 July 2010 to 31 October 2010

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**PETERBOROUGH CITY
COUNCIL'S FORWARD PLAN
1 JULY 2010 TO 31 OCTOBER 2010**

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS - 1 JULY 2010 TO 31 OCTOBER 2010

During the period from 1 July 2010 To 31 October 2010 Peterborough City Council's Executive intends to take 'key decisions' on the issues set out below. Key decisions relate to those executive decisions which are likely to result in the Council spending or saving money in excess of £500,000 and/or have a significant impact on two or more wards in Peterborough.

This Forward Plan should be seen as an outline of the proposed decisions and it will be updated on a monthly basis. The dates detailed within the Plan are subject to change and those items amended or identified for decision more than one month in advance will be carried over to forthcoming plans. Each new plan supersedes the previous plan. Any questions on specific issues included on the Plan should be included on the form which appears at the back of the Plan and submitted to Alex Daynes, Senior Governance Officer, Chief Executive's Department, Town Hall, Bridge Street, PE1 1HG (fax 01733 452483). Alternatively, you can submit your views via e-mail to alexander.daynes@peterborough.gov.uk or by telephone on 01733 452447.

The Council invites members of the public to attend any of the meetings at which these decisions will be discussed and the papers listed on the Plan can be viewed free of charge although there will be a postage and photocopying charge for any copies made. All decisions will be posted on the Council's website: www.peterborough.gov.uk. If you wish to make comments or representations regarding the 'key decisions' outlined in this Plan, please submit them to the Governance Support Officer using the form attached. For your information, the contact details for the Council's various service departments are incorporated within this plan.

NEW ITEMS THIS MONTH:

Extension of the Banking Services Contract with Barclays Bank
The Future of Peterborough Community Services (the provider arm of the Primary Care Trust)
Legal Services for the Medium Term Financial Strategy
Carbon Reduction Commitment (CRC) Energy Efficiency Scheme

JULY

KEY DECISION REQUIRED	DATE OF DECISION	DECISION MAKER	RELEVANT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	CONSULTATION	CONTACT DETAILS / REPORT AUTHORS	REPORTS
<p>Supporting People Programme: Independent Living Support Service To approve a contract between Peterborough City Council and NHS Peterborough to jointly commission existing housing related support services where social care is also provided or the services meet local or national priorities and strategy through the NHS Peterborough commissioned Independent Living Support Service, for an initial term of 3 years from 1 April 2010 with the discretion to extend this on an annual basis to a maximum of 5 years.</p>	<p>July 2010</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning</p>	<p>Strong and Supportive Communities and Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues</p>	<p>Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.</p>	<p>Belinda Child Housing Strategic Manager belinda.child@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.</p>

<p>Hampton Children's Centre The development of a children's centre facility in the grounds of Hampton Hargate Primary School. The facility will comprise rooms for a larger pre-school as well as multi function rooms to develop a range of services predominantly for children under 5 and their families.</p>	July 2010	Cabinet Member for Children's Services	Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities	A range of people and organisations have been consulted through the process. Ongoing consultation will take place in working with parents to ensure the service delivered from the facility meet local needs	Pam Setterfield Assistant Head of Children & Families Services (0-13) Tel: 01733 863897 pam.setterfield@peterborough.gov.uk	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.
<p>Peterborough Bridges Refurbishment Programme 2010/11 Nomination of contractor through the HA Midlands Works Framework Contract 4</p>	July 2010	Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning	Environment Capital	Relevant stakeholders and ward councillors as appropriate.	Richard Cranwell Bridges and Drainage Team Manager richard.cranwell@peterborough.gov.uk	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.

<p>Transport and Engineering Professional Services Contract As a result of negotiations with the current supplier to deliver further savings for the Council over the remainder of the current contract there is a need to put in a place a contract variation that requires a Cabinet Member decision.</p>	July 2010	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning</p>	Environment Capital	Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.	<p>Barry Kirk, Transportation and Development Group Manager Tel: 01733 317450 Barry.kirk@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.
<p>Extension to Hampton Hargate School Authority to award a contract for the construction of an extension to Hampton Hargate Primary School</p>	July 2010	<p>Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and University</p>	Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities	Consultation will take place with relevant stakeholders, internal departments and ward councillors as appropriate.	<p>Isabel Clark Planning & Development Manager Tel: 01733 863914 isabel.clark@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made

<p>Joint Service Centre at Hampton To commence the procurement process for a design and build contract for the provision of new leisure and library facilities at Hampton as part of the joint service centre in partnership with NHS Peterborough</p>	July 2010	<p>Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Culture, Recreation and Strategic Commissioning</p>	Strong and Supportive Communities	Consultation will take place with the Cabinet Member of Community Services, ward councillors, affected divisions within PCC and potential user groups in Hampton.	<p>Fiona O'Mahony Hampton Joint Service Centre Project Director Tel: 01733 863856 fiona.o'mahony@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made
<p>Passenger Transport Framework Tender Requirements for special educational needs and mainstream school contract.</p>	July 2010	<p>Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and University</p>	Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities	Internal stakeholders.	<p>Cathy Summers Team Manager - Passenger Transport Contracts and Planning cathy.summers@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.
<p>Floating Support Contract: Cross Keys Homes Extension of Contract Extension of contract to provide a generic floating support service for clients with housing support needs.</p>	July 2010	<p>Cabinet Member for Housing, Neighbourhoods and Planning</p>	Strong and Supportive Communities	Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.	<p>Belinda Child Housing Strategic Manager belinda.child@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.

<p>Extension of the Banking Services Contract with Barclays Bank Peterborough City Council's contract with Barclays Bank who provide our banking services is due to expire on the 30th September 2010 and the contract needs to be extended for a further 2 years.</p>	July 2010	Cabinet Member for Resources	Strong and Supportive Communities	Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.	Sian Warren Capital Accounting Manager Tel: 863924 sian.warren@peterborough.gov.uk	Public Report will be available from the governance Team one week before the decision is taken
<p>Legal Services for the Medium Term Financial Strategy To appoint a legal services partner for the provision of legal advice in relation to the MTFs who have experience of implementing joint ventures, designing financial models for major construction and development projects and providing legal agreements and design work.</p>	July 2010	Cabinet Member for Resources	Strong and Supportive Communities	Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.	Andrew Cox Senior Category Manager andy.cox@peterborough.gov.uk	Public Report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is taken
<p>CRC Energy Efficiency Scheme Obligatory emissions trading scheme, PCC is required to register before September 2010 for full participation in the scheme because it met the qualification criteria.</p>	July 2010	Cabinet Member for Environment Capital	Environment Capital	Internal	Charlotte Palmer Climate Change Team Manager Charlotte.palmer@peterborough.gov.uk	Public Report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is taken

AUGUST

KEY DECISION REQUIRED	DATE OF DECISION	DECISION MAKER	RELEVANT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	CONSULTATION	CONTACT DETAILS / REPORT AUTHORS	REPORTS
<p>Award of Contract - Heltwate School To award the contract for refurbishment of the school</p>	August 2010	Cabinet Member for Education, Skills and University	Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities	Internal departments as appropriate	Alison Chambers Asset Development Officer alison.chambers@peterborough.gov.uk	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.
<p>Ormiston Bushfield Academy To award a contract to design & build the new Ormiston Bushfield Academy school buildings from the Partnerships for Schools National Framework of Contractors.</p>	August 2010	Chief Executive	Creating Opportunities and tackling Inequalities	Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.	Brian Howard PFI Project Manager Tel: 01733 863976 brian.howard@peterborough.gov.uk	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.

SEPTEMBER

KEY DECISION REQUIRED	DATE OF DECISION	DECISION MAKER	RELEVANT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	CONSULTATION	CONTACT DETAILS / REPORT AUTHORS	REPORTS
<p>Section 75 Pooled funding arrangements for substance misuse services Variation to the existing partnership agreement under the National Health Act 2006 to pool funding from NHS Peterborough and PCC to commission drugs services. The variation takes into account the slight changes to governance and structure of the former Drug and Alcohol Action Team, now part of the Safer Peterborough Partnership, and additional funding made available to NHS Peterborough for integrated drug treatment within HMP Peterborough.</p>	<p>September 2010</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Resources</p>	<p>Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues</p>	<p>Internal stakeholders as appropriate</p>	<p>Karen Kibblewhite Community Safety And Substance Misuse Manager Tel: 01733 864122 karen.kibblewhite@peterborough.gov.uk</p>	<p>Public report will be available from the Governance team one week before the decision is made</p>

<p>The Future of Peterborough Community Services (the provider arm of the Primary Care Trust) For Cabinet to approve proposals from the Primary Care Trust regarding the future of Peterborough Community Services, including adult social care.</p>	September 2010	Cabinet	Scrutiny Commission for Health Issues	Internal Departments and Relevant Stakeholders as appropriate.	Denise Radley Director of Adult Social Services & Performance Tel: 01733 758444 denise.radley@peterborough.gov.uk	Public report will be available from the Governance Team one week before the decision is made.
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OCTOBER

KEY DECISION REQUIRED	DATE OF DECISION	DECISION MAKER	RELEVANT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	CONSULTATION	CONTACT DETAILS / REPORT AUTHORS	REPORTS
THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO DECISION SCHEDULED FOR OCTOBER.						

CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S DEPARTMENT Town Hall, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1HG

Communications
Strategic Growth and Development Services
Legal and Democratic Services
Policy and Research
Economic and Community Regeneration
Housing Strategy
Drug Intervention Programme and Drug and Alcohol Team
HR Business Relations, Training & Development, Occupational Health & Reward & Policy

COMMERCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT Nursery Lane, Fengate, Peterborough PE1 5BG

Property Services
Building & Maintenance
Streetscene and Facilities
Finance and Support Services

STRATEGIC RESOURCES DEPARTMENT Director's Office at Town Hall, Bridge Street, Peterborough, PE1 1HG

Finance
Internal Audit
Information Communications Technology (ICT)
Business Transformation
Performance and Programme Management
Strategic Property
Human Resources (HR Support)
Customer Services

CHILDRENS' SERVICES DEPARTMENT Bayard Place, Broadway, PE1 1FB

Families and Communities
Commissioning and Performance
Learning

OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT Bridge House, Town Bridge, PE1 1HB

Planning Services (Planning Delivery, Building Control)

Environment Transport and Engineering Services (Infrastructure Planning & Delivery, Network Management, Transport & Sustainable Environment)

City Operations (Resilience, CCTV, Car Parking, Markets, Health & Safety)

Neighbourhood Services (Community Engagement, Community Safety, Business Regulation, Housing)

Operations Business Support (Finance, Economic Participation, Business Support)

**SCRUTINY COMMISSION FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES
PRIORITIES & WORK PROGRAMME 2010/11**

Meeting Date	Item	Progress
13 July 2010 (Papers to be despatched on 5 July)	Peterborough Women's Enterprise Centre	Listed on Agenda for 13 July 2010
	Passenger Transport Framework Tender	Listed on Agenda for 13 July 2010
	Floating Support Contract: Cross Keys Homes Extension of Contract	Listed on Agenda for 13 July 2010
	Rural Housing Strategy 2010-2013	Moved to 7 September 2010
7 September 2010 (Papers to be despatched on 27 August)	Rural Housing Strategy 2010-2013: Implementation and use of rural exception sites Contact Officer: Matthew Hogan, Housing Strategy & Enabling Officer To receive a report on the implementation of the Rural Housing Strategy, the use of rural exception sites, and the Council's work on promoting 'affordable' housing to meet the needs of villages.	
	Speed Limits in Rural Areas Contact Officer: Peter Tebb, Peter Tebb, Team Manager – Network, Environment, Transport & Engineering Services To receive a report on the Government's current position in relation to lowering the speed limit on rural roads to 50 mph and work Council has undertaken in relation to this matter, and a full update on the implementation of 20 mph speed limits around rural schools.	
	Leisure and Tourism in Rural Areas To scrutinise work being done to the enhancement and promotion of the rural environment for leisure and tourism activities.	

Meeting Date	Item	Progress
2 November 2010 (Papers to be despatched on 25 October)	Rural Housing Strategy 2010-2013 – 6 month progress report Contact Officer: Matthew Hogan, Housing Strategy & Enabling Officer To scrutinise the progress of the Rural Housing Strategy six months after its adoption, prior to the report being submitted to Cabinet for its consideration.	
11 January 2011 (Papers to be despatched on 31 December 2010)		
8 March 2011 (Papers to be despatched on 28 February)		

Priorities for 2010-2011 as determined at the Scrutiny Commission for Rural Communities meeting held on 8 June 2010

PRIORITY	ACTION	SUCCESS CRITERIA
Creating Strong and Supportive Communities	<i>Making villages safe</i>	To continue to reduce car speeds down to 50 mph along rural roads To develop cycleways and quiet roads To monitor the implementation of the 20 mph speed limits for rural schools
	<i>Empowering local communities</i>	To continue to support the work of the Neighbourhood Councils
	<i>Building pride in Peterborough</i>	A visible presence in the rural areas
Substantial and Truly Sustainable Growth	<i>Increasing economic prosperity</i>	To plan for rural economic development, eg. farmers' markets, leisure events such as the Bainton Literary Festival which kickstart other development
	<i>Creating better places to live</i>	To encourage 'affordable' housing to meet the needs of villagers End to speculative tacked-on estates
	<i>Infrastructure of the future</i>	An imaginative vision of what the villages could be like in ten years time
	<i>Safe and vibrant city and other centres</i>	To work closely with the Cambridgeshire Constabulary to encourage patrolling and a visible police presence in rural areas
Creating the UK's Environment Capital	<i>Conserving natural resources</i>	To encourage the enhancing of the rural environment and opening it up for leisure and tourism
	<i>Increasing the use of sustainable transport</i>	To encourage cycling or use of busses, call connect and other sustainable transport provision
	<i>Growing the Environmental Business Sector</i>	To encourage rural business To support the 'Women's Business Centre' to work in rural areas
Creating Opportunities and Tackling Inequalities	<i>Regenerating neighbourhoods</i>	Investment in rural infrastructure
	<i>Improved health</i>	To recognise what health provision there is in the rural areas
	<i>Improving education and skills</i>	To review education and training for rural business

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