SCRUTINY IN A DAY

Understanding and Managing the Impacts of Welfare Reform on Communities in Peterborough

DRAFT PROGRAMME

9.00 – 9.30	Arrivals, registration and coffee
9.30 – 9.45	Welcome and introduction to the day
9.45 – 10.00	Overview of the Reforms
10.00 – 10.15	The wider context: Poverty in Peterborough
	Participatory sessions:
10.15 – 11.15	Session 1
	The Experience An interactive walk-through of the impacts of welfare reform, the support available and the temptations to individuals and families
	Impacts, e.g. Eviction Debt Health Crime and ASB
	Support, e.g. CAB Foodbank Credit Union Carezone Statutory services
	Temptations, e.g. Payday loans Loan sharks Benefit fraud
11.15 – 11.45	Session 2a Members attend either session 2a or session 2b
	 The Evidence A workshop focussing on data and evidence showing: The impacts of reform so far The potential future impacts of reform The picture on poverty in Peterborough

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11.15 – 11.45	Session 2b Members attend either session 2a or session 2b
	Wembers attend cliner session 2d or session 2b
	The Reality An opportunity to meet some local residents who have been impacted by welfare reform in an informal setting, AND an opportunity to hear from and engage with those agencies providing frontline support to people facing up to the impacts of welfare reform:
	• CAB
	• Foodbank
	CarezoneCredit Union
	PCVS
	• MIND
	• DIAL
	Age UKPCC services
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11.45 – 12.15	Repeat sessions 2a and 2b
	Members attend the alternative session to that attended previously
12.15 – 1.00	Session 3
	The Impacts An opportunity to watch and engage with a performance that aims to demonstrate some of the impacts of reform
1.00 – 1.45	Lunch
1.45 – 2.00	Introduction to the afternoon sessions
	A summary of the morning sessions and a reminder of the key themes for scrutiny
2.00 – 3.00	Joint Scrutiny Committee – the Big Debate
	All five Scrutiny Committees and Commissions combined to have a single debate
3.00 – 4.00	Individual Scrutiny Committee and Commission Meetings
	All Scrutiny Committees and Commissions meet separately to develop recommendations
4.00 – 4.20	Joint Scrutiny Committee – Feeding Back
	All five Scrutiny Committees and Commissions combined to provide feedback and to summarise the key recommendations
4.20 – 4.30	Final remarks, next steps and close

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