

# OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AGENDA



THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND THIS MEETING

**Date:** Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2011

**Time:** 7.15pm

**Venue:** Council Chamber, Causeway House, Braintree CM7 9HB

## Membership:

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| Councillor P R Barlow              | Councillor W J Rose        |
| Councillor C A Cadman              | Councillor Mrs C Sandbrook |
| Councillor Dr R L Evans (Chairman) | Councillor Mrs G A Spray   |
| Councillor Mrs S A Howell          | Councillor Mrs J S Sutton  |
| Councillor D J Louis               | Councillor J R Swift       |
| Councillor R P Ramage              |                            |

**Members are requested to attend this meeting, to transact the following business:-**

**1. Apologies for Absence.**

**2. Member Declarations.**

- (i). To declare the existence and nature of any 'personal' or 'personal and prejudicial' interests relating to items on the agenda having regard to paragraphs 8 to 12 (inclusive) of the Code of Conduct for Members in Part 5 of the Constitution and having taken appropriate advice (where necessary) before the meeting.
- (ii). Any member with a 'personal and prejudicial' interest to indicate whether he/she intends to make representations in accordance with paragraph 12 (2) of the Code of Conduct as part of Question Time.
- (iii). To declare the existence and nature of any instruction given by or on behalf of a political group to any Councillor who is a member of that group as to how that Councillor shall speak or vote on any matter before the Committee or the application or threat to apply any sanction by the group in respect of that Councillor should he/she speak or vote on any particular matter.

*[Note: A member with a personal and prejudicial interest must withdraw from the room or chamber whilst the item of business the subject of such prejudicial interest is being considered]*

3. **Question Time.** (See paragraph below).
4. **Minutes.** To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2011 (copy previously circulated).
5. **Annual Work Programme 2011-12, Scrutiny Of Transport Links And Accessibility To Health Services Across The District**

To continue the Committee's scrutiny review of transport links and accessibility to health services across the district to include following invitees:

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| Tracey Corcoran  | Community Transport Manager,<br>Braintree District Council |
| Rachael Price    | Accessibility Planning Officer,<br>Essex County Council    |
| Peter Darlington | Village Agent  |
| Barbara O'Hare   | Braintree Pensioners Action Group                          |

*(Note: confirmation of attendance is awaited from a few other invitees).*

6. **Task and Finish Groups.** To consider the Overview and Scrutiny Steering Board's recommendations on the proposed composition of the established Task and Finish Groups (Report attached – page 1).
7. **Decision Planner.** To consider the Decision Planner for the period 16<sup>th</sup> September 2011 to 31<sup>st</sup> January 2012 (copy previously circulated).
8. **Urgent Business.** To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in public by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.
9. To agree the exclusion of the public and press for the consideration of any items for the reasons set out in Part 1 of Schedule 12(A) of the Local Government Act 1972.

*At the time of compiling the agenda there were none.*

10. **Urgent Business.** To consider any matter which, in the opinion of the Chairman, should be considered in private by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

A PEACE  
Member Services Manager

If you require any further information relating to this agenda or wish to forward your apologies for absence, please contact Alastair Peace on 01376 551414 extension 2602 or e-mail [alastair.peace@braintree.gov.uk](mailto:alastair.peace@braintree.gov.uk)

### **QUESTION TIME**

Immediately after the Minutes of the previous meeting have been approved there will be a period of up to 30 minutes when members of the public can speak about Council business or other matters of local concern.

During this period, councillors who have declared a personal and prejudicial interest in any item of business on the agenda may also speak as permitted by the Council's Code of Conduct for Members.

Whilst members of the public can remain to observe the whole of the public part of the meeting, councillors with a prejudicial interest must withdraw whilst the item of business in question is being considered.

Members of the public wishing to speak should contact the Council's Member Services on (01376) 552525 or email [alastair.peace@braintree.gov.uk](mailto:alastair.peace@braintree.gov.uk) prior to the meeting.

The Council's "Question Time" leaflet explains the procedure and copies of this may be obtained from the Council.

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