report



meeting FLOODING SELECT COMMITTEE

date 18 September 2006 agenda item number

Report of the Chair of the Flooding Select Committee

Work Programme of the Flooding Select Committee

Purpose of the report

1. To introduce Members to the proposed work programme of the Flooding Select Committee

Background

2. The Flooding Select Committee's first meeting is on 18 September 2006. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has agreed a completion date for this Select Committee of March 2007.

Issues

- 3. To allow Members adequate notification of future dates attachment 1 lists the proposed future dates for the Flooding Select Committee. These have been passed to each Group's Whip for ratification. It is requested that Members mark these dates in their diaries now to avoid future clashes of priorities.
- 4. Provided against each of the dates is a suggested "theme" or "topic" which broadly sets out the objectives of each meeting. Obviously as the review progresses these may be modified but are provided as a guide now for discussion at this and future meetings.
- 5. Members should note that it is planned to organise some field trips, probably during November/December to identified floodplain areas and/or other emergency response centres.

Recommendations

- 6. It is recommended that
 - the Flooding Select Committee agree the dates for future meetings (subject to Whip confirmation); and
 - the Flooding Select Committee discuss the proposed "themes" of each meeting to identify the most logical way to take each meeting forward.

Councillor Yvonne Davidson Chair of the Flooding Select Committee

Background papers: nil.

Flooding Select Committee Work Programme

Reports to Pre-agenda	Pre Agenda Dates	Report Publication Dates	Date of Select Committee
1 September 2006	4 September 2006 – 1pm	8 September 2006	18 September 2006 – 2pm
29 September	2 October – 1pm	6 October	16 October – 10am
27 October	30 October – 1pm	3 November	13 November – 10am
24 November	27 November – 1pm	1 December	11 December – 10am
2 January 2007	2 January 2007 – 10am (Tuesday)	5 January 2007	15 January 2007 – 10am
26 January	29 January – 1pm	2 February	12 February – 10am
23 February	26 February – 1pm	2 March	12 March – 10am

Final report to Cabinet meeting of 18 April 2007

Planned Themes of each meeting

Meeting Date	Themes for each meeting	
18 September 2006 – 2pm	Background information from Environment Agency and County Council officers.	
16 October – 10am	District Councils invited to attend to present their perspectives on flooding.	
13 November – 10am	Follow up of any background information from first two meetings.	
	Site visit(s)? (Flood plains/Emergency planning room).	
11 December – 10am	Gathering of specific evidence. Agreement to invite any future stakeholders.	
15 January 2007 – 10am	Gathering of specific evidence. Stakeholders present to Members.	
12 February – 10am	Final evidence taking. Agreement of key themes. Begin to plan final report.	
12 March – 10am	Agreement of draft final report.	
18 April – 11am	Final report presented by Chair of Flooding Select Committee to Cabinet.	

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