

REPORT OF COUNTY COUNCILLOR JOYCE BOSNJAK

TRANSITION TO THE NEW COMMITTEE SYSTEM BRIEFING

Purpose of the Report

1. To introduce a briefing on the operation of the new committee system.

Information

2. Nottinghamshire County Council currently operates the Leader/Cabinet Executive model of decision making but on 26th January 2012 agreed that detailed proposals in changing the governance arrangements should be developed. The full provisions of this new committee system are still under development and will be before County Council on 29 March.

Transition to New System

3. Where Scrutiny reviews have only recently concluded it is anticipated that the responses to recommendations will be provided by the relevant Portfolio Holder for consideration by the appropriate decision making committee within the new system.
4. Overview and Standing Committee work programmes list areas of interest to Members that have been selected for potential future review. All the subjects listed within the work programmes will go forward to the relevant successor committee for consideration as a possible area for them to look at.
5. The work programme for Scrutiny will conclude with the final Overview and Standing Committee meetings in April and any current reviews will present their final reports at this time.

6. It is proposed that responsibility for the exercise of residual Scrutiny powers will rest with the Policy Committee under the new system. The Policy Committee will therefore determine the means by which any issues that arise for Scrutiny are dealt with.
7. The Assistant Chief Executive has been invited to attend this meeting of Overview Committee to answer questions about the transition from Scrutiny to the new committee system.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Overview Committee consider and comment on the information provided.

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Chair of the Overview Committee

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Background Papers

Nil

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All