



meeting	<b>DRUGS EDUCATION SELECT COMMITTEE</b>	
date	<b>9 JULY 2007</b>	<b>agenda item number</b>

## **Report of the Drugs Education Select Committee**

### **Scope and Work Programme**

#### **Purpose of the report**

1. To inform Members of the scope and proposed work programme for this Select Committee.

#### **Background**

2. On 21 May the Overview and Scrutiny Committee commissioned a review of Drugs Education in Schools.
3. The Select Committee will consider and review how this Authority and its partners can best deliver an effective drugs education programme in Nottinghamshire schools – across all key stages, but focussing on key stages 2 and 3.
4. The Select Committee is expected to agree its final report and recommendations during December 2007.

#### **Scope**

5. The Select Committee will concentrate on examining the content and delivery of the current curriculum around drugs education in Nottinghamshire schools and will include an examination of the DARE programme
6. Partners such as Nottinghamshire Drug and Alcohol Team (DAAT), Nottinghamshire Police and the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership (CDRP) will be consulted as part of the review.
7. The scope for this review is attached to this report as Appendix 1.

## **Work Programme**

8. A flexible draft work programme is attached at Appendix 2 for agreement by the Select Committee.
9. After the scene-setting presentation at its first meeting, it is anticipated that the Select Committee will enter an evidence gathering phase and receive information from witnesses at the rate of two per monthly meeting. Attendance of individuals or organisations will be dependent on their availability.
10. In addition to its scheduled meetings the Select Committee may wish to undertake visits (e.g. to schools to observe drugs education events).
11. The Select Committee may wish to invite portfolio holders, departmental officers and partners to attend its November meeting with a view to this being a facilitated round-table discussion of critical issues.
12. In order to maximise the time available for the consideration of conclusions and recommendations, the Select Committee may wish to have its final (December) meeting as an “all-day” event.

## **Recommendation**

13. It is recommended that  
  
the Drug Education Select Committee agree the flexible work programme and scope; then proceed to receive evidence, and initiate lines of questioning as necessary.

**Councillor Edward Llewellyn-Jones**  
**Chair of the Drug Education Select Committee**

Background papers: nil.