

**13. ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE**

**DELEGATED TO THE ECONOMIC GROWTH, ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT (OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY) COMMITTEE**

13.1 To be responsible for the overview and scrutiny of the work of the Executive and the Council in relation to its policy objectives, strategies, performance targets and provision relating to:

- a. Development matters, including the policies and strategies which affect the physical, social and economic environment and the proper planning and management of the built environment and economic regeneration, and monitoring the effects of policy implementation against stated objectives and where necessary recommending and if appropriate to carry out any review including review of section 106 obligations and Community Infrastructure Levy matters.
- b. Any matter affecting the Lichfield District area or its inhabitants (including local business) relating to economic prosperity and local economic performance.
- c. Local Plan (including consultation with interested parties as to its formulation, consideration of policies and steering its progress)
- d. Planning Committee (to monitor its operation and make recommendations as to how the operation and effectiveness of the Committee can be improved; reviewing the format of the Planning Committee report and where appropriate to recommend improvements to the presentation, structure and content of the report, and to receive reports detailing changes in legislation that affects the operation of the Planning Committee).
- e. Reports on the performance standards within the remit of the Economic Growth, Environment and Development Services portfolio and, if appropriate, to make recommendations to improve the level of service where satisfactory performance standards are not being achieved.
- f. The outcome of Planning and Enforcement Notice appeals.

- g. Reviewing items of best practice for dealing with planning and design issues relating to planning applications.
  - h. The role and decisions undertaken by the Economic Growth, Environment and Development Services Portfolio Holder
  - i. Functions undertaken by Tourism Services (including tourism information, marketing and promotion).
  - j. Functions undertaken in respect of Car Parks management and enforcement
- 13.2 To assist the Council and the Cabinet in the development of its budget and policy framework to align resources with the Council's priorities
- 13.3 To conduct research and consultation to support the analysis of policy issues and the identification and appraisal of possible options
- 13.4 To consider and implement mechanisms to encourage and enhance community participation in the development of policy options
- 13.5 To question members of the Cabinet and/ or Committees and Chief Officers about their views on issues and proposals affecting the area and/or about their decisions and performance whether generally or in comparison with plans and targets over a period of time or in relation to particular decisions, initiatives or projects
- 13.6 To liaise with other external organisations operating in the area, whether national, regional or local, to ensure that the interests of local people are enhanced by collaborative working
- 13.7 To review and scrutinise the performance of other public bodies in the area and invite reports from them by requesting them to address the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and local people about their activities and performance
- 13.8 To review and scrutinise the decisions made by and performance of the Cabinet and Committees and Council officers in relation to individual decisions and, over time, in respect of Development matters.
- 13.9 To set up Task and Finish Groups to support the Committee in the exercise of its functions.

- 13.10 To question and gather evidence from any person, with their consent
- 13.11 To oversee Best Value principles relating to the Economic Growth and Development Portfolio and to receive reports from Cabinet and Council
- 13.12 To exercise overall responsibility for the finances made available to the Committee
- 13.13 To report annually to Full Council on the work of the Committee and make recommendations for future work programmes and amended working methods if appropriate
- 13.14 To exercise the right to call in, for reconsideration, decisions made but not yet implemented by the Cabinet relating to the Economic Growth & Development Portfolio.
- 13.15 To make recommendations to the Cabinet or appropriate Committee and/or Council arising from the outcome of the scrutiny process.