

AGENDA

CABINET SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, 23rd September, 2009, at 10.00 am Ask for: Peter Sass Darent Room, Sessions House, County Hall, Telephone: 01622 694002 Maidstone

Refreshments will be available 15 minutes before the start of the meeting Timing of items as shown below is approximate and subject to change.

County Councillors who are not Members of the Committee but who wish to ask questions at the meeting are asked to notify the Chairman of their questions in advance.

Please note that this meeting will be webcast

UNRESTRICTED ITEMS

(During these items the meeting is likely to be open to the public)

A. COMMITTEE BUSINESS

- A1 Substitutes
- A2 Declarations of Interests by Members in Items on the Agenda for this Meeting
- A3 Minutes 21 July 2009 (Pages 1 10)
- A4 Minutes of Extraordinary Meeting 5 August 2009 (Pages 11 16)
- A5 Follow-up Items from Cabinet Scrutiny Committee (Pages 17 20)
- A6 Informal Member Group on Budgetary Issues 11 September 2009 (Pages 21 24)

B. FOR THE COMMITTEE'S CONSIDERATION

B1 Potential to Refocus and Restructure the Overview and Scrutiny Function (Pages 25 - 34)

Mr A J King, Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Localism and Partnerships, and Mr P D Wickenden, Overview, Scrutiny and Localism Manager, will attend the meeting from 10.15 am to 11.00 am to answer Members' questions on this item.

C. FOR THE COMMITTEE'S INFORMATION

C1 Strengthening Local Democracy Consultation Response (Pages 35 - 96)

Mr A J King, Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Localism and Partnerships; Mr P D Wickenden, Overview, Scrutiny and Localism Manager; and Mr Edward Thomas, Policy Officer, will attend the meeting from 11.00 am and 11.30 am to aid Members' understanding of the consultation response.

D. CABINET/CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS AT VARIANCE TO APPROVED BUDGET OR POLICY FRAMEWORK

No items.

E. CABINET DECISIONS

No Cabinet decisions have been proposed for call in but any Member of the Committee is entitled to propose discussion and/or postponement of any decision taken by the Cabinet at its last meeting.

(Members who wish to exercise their right under this item are asked to notify the Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership of the decision concerned in advance.)

F. CABINET MEMBER DECISIONS

No items.

G. OFFICER AND COUNCIL COMMITTEE DECISIONS

No Officer or Council Committee decisions have been proposed for call in but the Committee may resolve to consider any decisions taken since its last meeting by an Officer or Council Committee exercising functions delegated to it by the Council.

(Members who wish to propose that the Committee should consider any Officer or Council Committee decision are asked to inform the Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership of the decision concerned in advance.)

EXEMPT ITEMS

(At the time of preparing the agenda there were no exempt items. During any such items which may arise the meeting is likely NOT to be open to the public)

Peter Sass Head of Democratic Services and Local Leadership (01622) 694002

Tuesday, 15 September 2009

Please note that any background documents referred to in the accompanying papers maybe inspected by arrangement with the officer responsible for preparing the relevant report.