

SCRUTINY 'GET TOGETHER' - MONDAY 30 JANUARY 2006

ISSUES AND TOPICS RAISED

The following points were raised as part of the discussions and have been recorded in the order they were raised.

Developing External Scrutiny - Links to

- PCT
- LIFT Project
- Reorganisation - Authority Scrutiny Working
- Social Services
- South Derbyshire LSP (power to promote wellbeing)

Partnership Working: Internal and External

- ↳ Resource/Capacity → Working in proportion to resources available
- Workload in Units/Division Impeding Progress

Examples from 4th Option Authorities

- How They Provide/Resource Scrutiny

Winning over the scrutiny message for resources

Role of Scrutiny

- Meetings
- : Scrutiny of Policy Committee Activity

- ↳ Do people take on board what Scrutiny has put forward

Resource Balance → How do we apply resources available to deliver peaks/troughs of work/projects

Position → Front/back office?

Shifting Resources (Gershon)

Consulting/Communicating with External Stakeholders

Need to strengthen/Improve

- ↳ Work has been done but needs to be resumed/reviewed

- ↳ Ensuring Scrutiny has presence

Role of Corporate P.R./Scrutiny

Public Perception of Scrutiny

- ↳ Can't control people's perception/image of Scrutiny but can influence it.
 - ↳ Emailing list for distributing information.
 - ↳ Development of a newsletter
 - ↳ Website : interaction/(webcasting)
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- Some of best Scrutiny Meetings have been with external stakeholders etc.
 - How do we get them interested?
 - How do we get press/media interested?

Press/Media

Using them proactively/positively

Information in a "Scrutiny Pack"

- : What's What about Scrutiny
- : Charter

Scrutiny Get Togethers/Meetings

- Better use of IT/Technology to plan dates for meetings/information dispersal, needed by Member
- Use of diaries/electronic diaries for arranging meetings for Members

DCC Visit 3 January 06

DCC pointed out the need for Scrutiny working in high profile and media interest areas

Possible work/project areas

- **Local Area Agreements - (DCC)**
- **Licensing - Review Regs. (SDDC)**
- **Asset Management**
 - ↳ Finance and Management Committee shortly
 - ↳ Revisit Review
- **Section 136 Review**
 - ↳ Savings?
 - ↳ Consultation Pending
 - ↳ Parish Forum → Finance & Management
 - ↳ Parish Activity Well Advanced
- **CPA Preparation**
 - ↳ Internal Consultation
- **Rural Proofing**
(Community Scrutiny)
- **Welfare of Elderly**
 - ↳ Funding (Links with Social Services)
 - ↳ DCC Review of Older People's Services - Revisit Progress
- **South Derbys LSP**
 - ↳ Engaging with the work of the LSP

