REPORT TO: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY AGENDA ITEM: 6

**COMMITTEE** 

DATE OF 18TH JANUARY 2012 CATEGORY: MEETING: DELEGATED

REPORT FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OPEN

PARAGRAPH NO: N/A

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SUBJECT: SCOPING DOCUMENT – GROUNDS REF:

**MAINTENANCE REVIEW** 

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AFFECTED: REFERENCE: N/A

### 1.0 Recommendations

1.1 That the Committee considers and finalises the scoping document for a review of the Grounds Maintenance Service.

### 2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To give further consideration to a draft scoping document for a proposed review area.

#### 3.0 Detail

- 3.1 At its meeting on 7th December, the Committee gave consideration to the scoping document for a review of the Grounds Maintenance Service. This review area had been proposed by three Members, the Chairmen of the Environmental and Development Services and Housing and Community Services Committees and Councillor Tilley.
- 3.2 Members felt it would be useful for the Councillors proposing and supporting this review to attend this meeting, to clarify some aspects of the scope and an invitation has been sent accordingly. A copy of the scoping document is attached at Annexe 'A' for the Committee's consideration.
- 3.3 It was also suggested that Members of the Committee submit their views on the scope for this review ahead of the meeting. The following feedback has been received to date:

"It would be most appropriate to start by scrutinising the authority's procedures for monitoring that the service is being delivered. If there is an effective monitoring system then perhaps we could look at the outcomes and assess the value for money of the service provided".

"We need to understand the contractural arrangements and any feedback received from the public, complaints, compliments etc".

A further suggestion made is for Aston-on-Trent Parish Council to contribute to this review area, as it funds additional maintenance in the parish, in between the District Council funded works.

## 4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

# 5.0 Corporate Implications

5.1 None arising directly from this report.

## 6.0 Background Papers

6.1 Scoping documents for reviews and previous Committee reports.