

# AGENDA

## Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting



Overview and Scrutiny

Date: Tuesday 2 September 2008

Time: 6.30 pm

Venue: Town Hall, High Street,  
Maidstone

Membership:

Councillors: Mrs Stockell (Chairman), Butler (Vice-Chairman), Bradshaw, Hotson, Marshall, Mrs Marshall, Mortimer, Parr and Mrs Wilson

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1. The Committee to consider whether all items on the agenda should be web-cast.
2. Apologies.
3. Notification of Substitute Members.
4. Notification of Visiting Members.

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## **5. Disclosures by Members and Officers:**

- a) Disclosures of interest.
- b) Disclosures of lobbying.
- c) Disclosures of whipping.

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## **6. To consider whether any items should be taken in private because of the possible disclosure of exempt information.**

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### **7. Minutes of the Meeting Held on 5 August 2008. 1 - 14**

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### **8. The Council's Service Partnerships. 15 - 82**

Interviews with:

- Brian Parsons, Head of Internal Audit & Risk Strategy;
- Stephen McGinnes, Head of Revenues and Benefits; and
- Alasdair Robertson, Head of Business Improvement.

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### **9. Use of Scrutiny Resources Report. 83 - 98**

Interview with Angela Woodhouse, Overview and Scrutiny Partnership Manager.

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### **10. Partnerships Report Update. 99 - 106**

Update from Angela Woodhouse, Overview and Scrutiny Partnership Manager.

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### **11. Strategic Plan Workshop - Agreement of Recommendations. 107 - 108**

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### **12. The Balance of Power between Central and Local Government - Working Group Update. 109 - 110**

Update from Angela Woodhouse, Overview and Scrutiny Partnership Manager.

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### **13. Nomination of Members for Cross-Committee Review of Past Scrutiny Reports.**

The Committee is requested to nominate two Councillors to form part of the Review of Past Scrutiny Reports Working Group. There will be two nominations from each Committee and members of the working group will be asked to review all past reviews that fall within their Committee's terms of reference. The findings of the working group will be reported to the Overview and Scrutiny Coordinating Committee.

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### **14. Future Work Programme. 111 - 112**