

# **Maidstone Borough Council**

## **Corporate Services Overview & Scrutiny Committee**

**Tuesday 14 June 2011**

### **Waste Review**

**Report of:** Overview & Scrutiny Officer

#### **1. Introduction**

To consider the scoping document for the Waste Review which will form one of the Committee's two major reviews for the 2011/12 municipal year.

#### **2. Recommendation**

2.1 That Members discuss the scoping document that has been prepared and consider:

- The objectives and desired outcomes of the review;
- The equality issues that will be considered as part of the review;
- The witnesses required;
- The methods used to seek evidence e.g. site visits, workshops;
- Information or training required;
- The suggested timescale for the review;
- Its link to the Council's priorities;
- Its delivery of effective scrutiny principles; and
- The suggested co-optees and expert witnesses.

#### **3. Reasons for Recommendation**

3.1 The Committee has created a work programme for the next municipal year. At their first meeting held on 25 May 2011 Members resolved that:

- Neighbourhood Action Planning set against the Localism Bill and Waste Reduction, including commercial waste and the new waste and recycling contact should be the Committee's two main reviews for the year;
- Anti Social Behaviour and Domestic Violence should be the topics explored when the Committee meet as the Crime and Disorder Overview and Scrutiny Committee;
- Youth Offending and Community Payback should be looked at as a 'one off meeting';

- The Waste Review topic should be scoped for consideration at the next meeting.

#### **4. Impact on Corporate Objectives**

- 4.1 The Committee will consider reports that deliver against the following Council priorities:
- 'Corporate and Customer Excellence' and 'For Maidstone to be a decent place to live.'
- 4.2 The Strategic Plan sets the Council's key objectives for the medium term and has a range of objectives which support the delivery of the Council's priorities. Actions to deliver these key objectives may therefore include work that the Committee will consider over the next year.