Maidstone Borough Council

Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday 4 October 2011

Future Work Programme and Scrutiny Officer Update

Report of: Overview & Scrutiny Officer

1. Introduction

- 1.1 To consider the Committee's future work programme and the Forward Plan of Key Decisions.
- 1.2 To consider the information update given by the Overview and Scrutiny Officer.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee considers the draft Future Work Programme, attached at **Appendix A**, to ensure that it is appropriate and covers all issues Members currently wish to consider within the Committee's remit.
- 2.2 That the Committee considers the sections of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions, attached at **Appendix B** relevant to the Committee and discuss whether these are items requiring further investigation or monitoring by the Committee.

3 Future Work Programme

3.1 Throughout the course of the municipal year the Committee is asked to put forward work programme suggestions. These suggestions are planned into its annual work programme. Members are asked to consider the work programme at each meeting to ensure that remains appropriate and covers all issues Members currently wish to consider within the Committee's remit.

4 Forward Plan of Key Decision

- 4.1 The Forward Plan for October 2011 to January 2012 contains the following decisions relevant to the Corporate Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee's current work programme:
 - Budget Strategy 2012/13 onwards
 - ICT Partnerships
 - Parish Services Scheme
 - Council Tax 2012/13 Collection fund adjustments
 - Building Surveying Charges
 - Fees & Charges Bereavement Services 2012/13

- Review of Fees and Charges for Maidstone Market at Lockmeadow 2012/13
- Review of Fees and Charges for Waste Services 2012/13

6. Impact on Corporate Objectives

- 6.1 The Committee will consider reports that deliver against the following Council priority:
 - Corporate and Customer Excellence.
- 6.2 The Strategic Plan sets the Council's priorities for the medium term and has a range of outcomes which support the delivery of the priorities. Actions to deliver these outcomes may therefore include work that the Committee will consider over the next year.