

Copeland Borough Council
Overview and Scrutiny Committees
Work Plan 2006-07

Environmental Well-being				
Topic	Method	Status/Outcome	Supporting Communities	Date
Performance Management	To continue to monitor the performance monitoring info and challenge when necessary		Delivering quality services	Chairs/V Chairs review quarterly
Green Spaces strategy and play strategy - Is there a health input? Research shows the health benefits of active play for all ages. Green gyms, outdoor gyms, play equipment designed for all ages.	Joint sub group with social well-being to explore and provide suggestions for the strategies		Health/Environment Agenda & social inclusion/diverstiy	1 st mtg: July 19 th at 11.00h
How clean is the Borough: Street cleanliness, litter, dog fouling etc –.	Mystery shopping (public toilets included)		Addresses concerns at a neighbourhood level, particularly following recent media coverage/ quality services & environment	South of the Borough completed in June.
Enforcement – does Copeland have the resources to implement the Cleaner Neighbourhoods Act to best advantage?	Consider the new powers, what the existing resources are, investigate how neighbouring authorities manage their service and consider recommendations.			

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Cleaner/Greener Team	To monitor the progress of the clean and green team		Environmental enhancement	Report to meeting of 10 th July
Joint Scrutiny: Cumbria Strategic Waste Partnership	Contributing through member and officer support to the joint scrutiny	2 reports to date to the CSWP and reports with matters arising for Copeland to the Exec and Council. (recommendations accepted).	Apart from quality recycling facilities, urgent need to prevent £10m fines in 2 years time by reducing waste going to landfill.	3 rd meeting- 19 th July Cleator Moor Civic
Waste Disposal Methods – To investigate the different forms of waste disposal in order to provide a considered response to consultation.	Possible joint briefing session with academic.			
Energy Policy – looking at what Copeland wants in terms of renewable energies with the Borough; energy efficiently and fuel poverty	Jointly with Social Well-being Methodology to be discussed.		Environmental impact of renewable energies on the local environment and social inclusion issues (fuel poverty)T	
Waste and Minerals Development Framework - to provide an input into the consultation process.				July 10 th meeting.
Doorstep recycling – to monitor the service	Regular monitoring material and briefings.			

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Social Well-being				
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Rural Transport Grant – how does it operate, how is it dished out and how does it meet its objectives	Pre-scrutiny briefing from Cumbria County Council		Social inclusion and rural issues	
Education : 1) schools reorganisation 2) education standards	1) input into consultation process 2) monitor the data			
Energy Policy – looking at what Copeland wants in terms of renewable energies with the Borough; energy efficiently and fuel poverty	Jointly with Env Well-being Methodology to be discussed.			
Concessionary Fares – yearly review What impact has the free bus travel had on costs of the scheme?	Examine any increase in take up of bus pass vs vouchers and consider overall cost of the scheme.			
Copeland Homes	Monitor progress to Decent Homes Standard.			

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Sport's Development	Monitoring – informal briefing to committee			13 th July?
Art's Development	Monitoring – IDEA Action Plan update			13 th July?

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Economic Well-being				
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Performance Management	To continue to monitor the performance monitoring info and challenge when necessary		Delivering quality services	Chairs/V Chairs review quarterly
Tourism Strategy	Sub group to provide input to strategy			
Industrial Estates	Monitor the review of industrial estates			
Master plan	Monitor and challenge findings			
Medium/long term nuclear storage	Challenge community engagement			
Local Authority Business Growth Incentive Schemes	Monitor/ Challenge choice of schemes projects			
Sea Change programme	Challenge priorities			
West Cumbria Development Fund	What are the objectives of the fund and how has it delivered over the past 2-3years.			
Invest in Cumbria	What are its priorities? What differences will become apparent?			

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Performance and Resources				
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Restructure Review – has it achieved what it set out?	Tba			
Communications - strategy - customer comms	Monitor comms strategy Monitor customer comms			
Urgent Actions – are they being used appropriately?	Review		Open Government	
Major Projects - how is the fund being used	Review		“	
Contingencies - how is the fund being used	Review		“	
Cumbria Strategic Partnership	Joint working (county-wide)			
Asset Management Plan				
Capital Strategy				
Customer Service Commitments				

Other joint scrutiny				
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West Cumbria Strategic Partnership	Joint Committee			