

**Consultation for Work Programmes 2008/09**

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**Recommendation:** that the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee consider the list of consultees and suggest amendments and/or additions.

**1. Background**

With the new Civic Year approaching now would seem as a good time to start working on refreshing the work plans of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

The first stage of this should be consultation with appropriate stake holders and interested parties on what issues they feel the Committees should be looking at.

A variety of methods is proposed and a list of consultees is detailed below. The Committee is requested to consider and suggest amendments and/or additions.

**2. Consultees**

It is proposed that the consultation could involve:

**Internally**

- The Executive
- All other members of the Council
- Corporate Team
- UNISON and GMB

**Externally**

- Public through Copeland Matters
- An advert in Whitehaven News
- Copeland Youth Forums
- Parish/Town Councils in Copeland
- Cumbria County Council

- Adjacent Councils : Allerdale Borough Council, Barrow Borough Council and South Lakeland District Council
- Cumbria Local Strategic Partnership
- West Cumbria Strategic Partnership
- Allerdale and Copeland Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership
- Cumbria Constabulary and Cumbria Fire & Rescue Authority
- Cumbria Primary Care Trust and North Cumbria Acute Hospitals NHS Trust
- Age Concern and Citizens Advice Bureau
- Copeland Homes
- Cumbria Tourism
- Lake District National Park Authority
- Local chambers of commerce in Copeland
- West Cumbria Development Agency
- West Cumbria Development Fund
- British Nuclear Group
- Nuclear Decommissioning Authority
- West Lakes Renaissance
- University of Cumbria

### **Considering the suggestions**

Once the suggestions have been received, it is proposed that they will be collated and brought before the Management Committee in June with suggestions as to how they could be dealt with by the four Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

The first meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees would consider the Management Committee proposals and prioritise the issues they felt should be taken forward as possible reviews to include in their work programmes. It could also be possible for a general workshop to be run on the role of scrutiny during the meeting.

## **4. CORPORATE PLAN**

There are no direct applicable actions within the Council's Corporate Plan.

**List of Appendices:** None

**List of Background Documents:** None