

## **OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 6 JULY 2009**

Present: Councillors B. Dixon, Chairman; Mrs Y Clarkson; Mrs M Docherty; Mrs E Eastwood; G Garrity; J Kane; Mrs W Metherell and P Whalley.

Officers: K Parker, Acting Corporate Director Quality of Life; M Jepson, Head of Legal and Democratic Services; H Mitchell, Head of Policy and Performance; T Capper, Democratic Services Manager; N White, Scrutiny Support Officer and I Curwen, Senior Communications Officer.

Also Present: Councillor C Whiteside

Apologies for absence: Councillor K Hitchen.

#### **MGT 07/09 Minutes**

**RESOLVED** – That the minutes of the meeting held on 29 May2009 be signed as a correct record.

#### **MGT 08/09 Greater Public Involvement in Overview and Scrutiny**

The Committee considered a report setting out proposals in a number of areas for securing greater public involvement in overview and scrutiny, including holding meetings away from the Copeland Centre and at different times, developing relations with the media, and clarifying outcomes the public expect from overview and scrutiny.

**RESOLVED** – that the report be noted and arrangements made for future meetings of this committee to be held on Mondays at 2.00 pm.

#### **MGT 09/09 Overview and Scrutiny Terms of Reference**

The Committee considered a report setting out options for changes to the structure of overview and scrutiny which had earlier been deferred for further consultation with the Overview and Scrutiny Committees. The report summarised the preferences expressed in that consultation as to the options put forward, and included the views expressed on the options by the Leader on behalf of the Executive.

After a discussion it was

**RESOLVED** – That Option 3 be supported and a further report be prepared for the next meeting of the Committee on the proposed terms of reference of the new Committee, and associated matters, for subsequent recommendation to Council for formal adoption.

**MGT 10/09   Work Plan**

Consideration was given to the Work Plan of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

**RESOLVED** - that the Work Plan be noted.

**MGT 11/09   Executive Decisions**

Consideration was given to the decisions made by the Executive at its meeting on 30 June 2009.

**RESOLVED** - that the decisions made by the Executive at its meeting on 30 June 2009 be noted.

The meeting closed at 3.25 pm

Chairman.....

Date.....