

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY

THE COUNCIL'S PLANNING ENFORCEMENT FUNCTION

REPORT OF THE STRATEGIC DIRECTOR

(Contact: Christine Gore, Strategic Director)

(The decisions on this matter will be resolutions)

1. PURPOSE

To provide the Committee with a briefing paper on the operation, staffing levels and reporting arrangements of the Council's Planning Enforcement function

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes how the existing Planning Enforcement function operates in respect the operation, staffing levels and reporting arrangements and intended future changes.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1. At its meeting on the 6 July 2017 members of the Committee suggested that the Committee give consideration to the operation, staffing levels and reporting arrangements of the service. The Strategic Director undertook to provide a briefing note on the subject at a future meeting.

3.2. Attached at Appendix A is a note which outlines the present modus operandi, team structure, and reporting arrangements of the Planning Enforcement function within the Planning and Strategic Housing Service.

3.3. The Committee is invited to consider the report which is attached as an Appendix to this report.

4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

In accordance with the Constitution of the Council, Committee has the power to investigate any matters it considers relevant to its work area, and to make recommendations to the Council, the Executive or any other Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council as it sees fit.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There may be financial implications arising directly from this report if the Committee are concerned about the staffing levels of the team.

6. REASONS

To enable the Committee to review the Council's Planning Enforcement function.

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Background Papers:

None