

REGENERATION, COMMUNITY AND CULTURE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR STRATEGIC DEVELOPMENT AND ECONOMIC GROWTH IN ATTENDANCE

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Summary

At the meeting of the Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 7 February 2008, Members requested that in future the details of the areas covered by the relevant portfolio are listed each time a Cabinet Member is invited to attend any of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees to be held to account.

1. Background

1.1 The areas within the terms of reference of this Overview and Scrutiny Committee and covered by the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Development and Economic Growth, according to the Council's constitution are:

- Building* and Development control
- Economic development
- Europe
- Social regeneration
- Local Development Framework
- South East Plan
- Planning
- Rural Strategy
- Tourism

* The Council has delegated its building control functions to the South Thames Gateway Building Control Joint Committee

1.2 The Business Support Overview and Scrutiny Committee also asked for information showing performance against targets within the portfolio of Cabinet Members to be provided as part of this item. The Council is currently introducing new performance management software (Covalent), which will be used to monitor Local Area Agreement

indicators, along with the remaining indicators from the New Indicator Set and the basket of critical success factors. This system is currently being installed. Consideration is also being given to a format for presenting performance information relevant to each Portfolio Holder when they are held to account by overview and scrutiny committees.

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