

OUTSIDE BODY REVIEW - INFORMATION GATHERING

1 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report outlines the research activity being undertaken to assist the Sub-Committee in its work.

2 BACKGROUND

- 2.1 At its last meeting, the Sub-Committee concluded that the review of Outside Bodies should proceed in the context of suggestions raised during recent Member training sessions on Partnership Arrangements. It was accepted that membership of statutory bodies should be retained and that financial support aspects together with the need to be involved in the policy making work of a body were also salient. The Sub-Committee gave initial consideration to the first four bodies on the outside bodies schedule.

3 DISCUSSION

- 3.1 Work is in hand to identify the following information for the next meeting of the Sub-Committee:-
- The responses to observations raised by the Sub-Committee relating to the Castle Point and Rochford Drug Reference Group, the Consortium of Waste Collection Authorities and NCE(Shape) Ltd.
 - The current involvement of Council Officers with the various outside bodies.
 - The allying of outside bodies with appropriate committees of the Council.
 - Linkages between the purposes of the outside bodies and the Council's own corporate objectives.

- 3.2 The outcome of the above work will be supplied to Members of the Sub-Committee prior to the meeting. Arrangements are being made for appropriate officers to be on hand to, where possible, assist with any questions.

4 RECOMMENDATION

- 4.1 It is proposed that the Sub-Committee utilises the information gathered for the purposes of the review. (HAMS)

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Background Papers:

None

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