



Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee

Briefing Paper

Report of: Chairman, Regulatory Services Review Panel
Date: Thursday, 14th January 2010
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Recommendations from the Regulatory Services Review Panel

1. Summary

1.1 This briefing paper details the recommendations of the Regulatory Services Review Panel, following its review into the Worcestershire Enhanced Two Tier Working (WETT) Regulatory Services Business Case.

2. Background

2.1 The review panel was established at the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee on 10th December 2009, to allow Members to scrutinise fully the Worcestershire Enhanced Two Tier Working (WETT) Regulatory Services Business Case.

2.2 A review panel consisting the following Members was formed:

Councillor J Aston	Councillor H J Martin
Councillor J Baker	Councillor F M Oborski
Councillor G W Ballinger (Chairman)	Councillor C D Nicholls
Councillor A J Buckley	Councillor J W Parish
Councillor H E Dyke	Councillor M A Salter
Councillor J Greener	Councillor K J Stokes
Councillor P B Harrison	Councillor J Thomas
Councillor J Holden	Councillor N J Thomas

2.3 The panel met twice on 4th January 2010 and 8th January 2010.

3. Key Issues

3.1 The WETT Regulatory Services Business case has been scrutinised by Members with a view to making a recommendation as to whether to proceed with the proposals.

3.2 The end date for the consultation period which had commenced on 10th November 2009 had been extended from the 7th December 2009 to 21st December 2009 to allow further time for staff comment.

3.3 Members initially felt that the consultation period needed to be extended to allow them to scrutinise fully the documents relating to the business case. After further discussions, the panel agreed to proceed

with the planned arrangements for the decision to support the proposal to be sent as a recommendation from the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee to Cabinet. In the meantime, Members would individually, as necessary, seek any further clarification on any other outstanding issues.

3.4 The effect of possible loss of staff job was taken into account.

4. Recommendations from the Regulatory Services Review Panel to the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee

4.1 The Regulatory Services Review Panel have noted the detailed reports and responses as submitted in the Worcestershire Enhanced Two Tier Working (WETT) Regulatory Services Business Case and have sought further clarification from Officers on the proposals. The Panel have agreed that the Corporate Resources Scrutiny Committee should make the final recommendation to a future meeting of the Cabinet.

5. Consultees

5.1 Director of Planning & Regulatory Services

5.2 Director of Resources

5.3 Regulatory Staff

5.3 Trade Unions

6. Appendices

6.1 None

7. Background Papers

1. Executive Summary – WETT Consultation
2. Detailed Business Case – WETT Consultation
3. Staff & Trade Unions response to WETT Business Plan
4. Questions & Answers from Staff & Trade Unions
5. Briefing Paper – Responses to the issues arising from the Formal Consultation
6. Briefing Paper – Worcestershire Shared Regulatory Service (WSRS) Project Team regarding the Joint Staff and Unions Response to the Worcestershire Shared Regulatory Service
7. Paper - Public Protection Shared Service from West Lindsey District Council, Lincs.
8. Minutes of the Regulatory Services Review Panel meetings held on 4th January 2010 and 8th January 2010.

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