

Minute Extract from Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee – 13 March 2014

JOSC/13-14/75 Adur and Worthing Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme – 2013/14

Before the committee was a report by the Policy Officer, a copy of which had been circulated to all Members and a copy of which is attached to the signed copy of these minutes as item 12. This report outlined progress on the work contained in the 2013/14 Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme.

A Member raised concerns over the Chief Executive's use of urgency powers in an agreement with NCP Car parks and the powers delegated to individual officers. It was felt that an item should be added to the work programme concerning the 'emergency / urgency powers that lie with the Chief Executive, how these decisions are made and under which circumstances they are applicable.' The Chairman asked that the Chief Executive be invited to the next available meeting to address the issue.

Members discussed the letting and management of commercial contracts and identified perceived weaknesses. It was agreed that the issue be added to the work programme.

Resolved:

- i) That the progress in implementing the Work Programme for 2013/14 be noted;
- ii) That an item be added to the work programme concerning 'emergency / urgency powers that lie with the Chief Executive, how these decisions are made and under which circumstances they are applicable';
- iii) That an item be added to the work programme concerning the 'letting and management of commercial contracts';
- iv) **That the committee recommend to the respective meetings of Full Council that the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme for 2014/15 be endorsed.**

**Local Government Act 1972
Background documents:**

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