

Ward: N/A

Joint Leaders Interview

Report by the Chief Executive

1.0 Summary

- 1.1 As part of their work programme, the Committee have agreed to interview Cabinet members on their priorities for 2015-16.
- 1.2 At this meeting, members of the Committee are asked to consider the priorities for the two Council Leaders, Councillors Neil Parkin and Daniel Humphreys.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 As part of their 'Challenge' role, Joint Overview and Scrutiny are asked to consider the roles and responsibilities of the Leaders. It is part of the Scrutiny role to challenge in the form of questions as to progress that has been made on initiatives affecting the work of the Councils and the communities of Adur and Worthing.
- 2.2 The Committee are entitled to ask for further investigation into items where they may not be satisfied with the progress as described.
- 2.3 Both Leaders have overall responsibility for the following :-
 - Overall policy and strategy
 - External relations
 - Reputational Management
 - Internal and External Communications
 - Electoral Services, within the remit of the two Cabinets
 - Member Services
 - Mayoralty / Chair of the Council and civic matters
 - West Sussex Cooperative
 - Public consultation community engagement (Leader- Adur only)

3.0 Proposals

- 3.1 That the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee ask questions of the two Leaders based on their functions as outlined in paragraph 2.3 of the report and the Councils Corporate Priorities.

4.0 Legal

4.1 The Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee follow the procedures outlined within the Councils Constitution.

5.0 Financial implications

5.1 There are no direct financial implications to consider within this report.

6.0 Recommendation

6.1 Members of the Committee are asked to question the Leader of Adur District Council and the Leader of Worthing Borough Council on their priorities for 2015-16.

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Background Papers:

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Schedule of other matters

1.0 Council Priority

1.1 Any Council priorities will be considered within the annex to this report.

2.0 Specific Action Plans

2.1 Any specific action plans will be considered within the annex to this report.

3.0 Sustainability Issues

3.1 Matter considered and no issues identified

4.0 Equality Issues

4.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

5.0 Community Safety issues (Section 17)

5.1 Matter considered and no issues identified

6.0 Human Rights Issues

6.1 Matter considered and no issues identified

7.0 Reputation

7.1 Matter considered and no issues identified

8.0 Consultations

8.1 The Leaders of both Councils and key senior officers were consulted during the drafting of this report

9.0 Risk assessment

9.1 Any areas of risk are identified within the annex to this report.

10.0 Health & Safety Issues

10.1 Matter considered and no issues identified

11.0 Procurement Strategy

11.1 Matter considered and no issues identified

12.0 Partnership working

12.1 Matter considered and no issues identified