

Policy and Scrutiny Scoping Document

Committee	Economic Development and Environment Policy and Scrutiny Committee	
Topic	Banking on Essex	Ref: ???/08/
Objective	Given the high profile of the Banking on Essex initiative, the Committee will scrutinise its operational progress and role in providing support for economic development and business support in Essex.	
Reasons for undertaking review	<p>The Banking on Essex initiative (BE) has received a lot of public attention and the Committee has a role to fulfil in scrutinising its effectiveness in terms of being a new model for the Council to support economic development in the County. In July 2010 (Minute xxx) the Committee received an overview on Banking on Essex, which was launched in December 2009. Members decided that they should receive regular progress reports on how BE is moving forward, and that witnesses should provide a progress report to the Committee in six months.</p> <p>An interim scrutiny report will be produced on the basis of the evidence considered by the Committee at its meeting in July 2010.</p>	
Method	<p>Full Committee</p> <p>Members will be canvassed for questions prior to a progress report being commissioned for submission to a full Committee meeting.</p>	
Membership <i>Only complete if Task and Finish Group or Commission</i>		
Issues to be addressed	Members will be canvassed for questions prior to a progress report being commissioned for submission to a full Committee meeting.	

Sources of Evidence and witnesses	Councillor Peter Martin, Leader of the Council Richard Puleston, Assistant Chief Executive		
Work Programme	The Committee have requested regular updates on the progress of the BE initiative. The Leader of the Council will be invited to the Committee meeting in January 2011 to give a progress report.		
Indicators of Success			
Meeting the CfPS Objectives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Critical Friend Challenge to Executive</i> • <i>Reflect Public voice and concerns</i> • <i>Own the scrutiny process</i> • <i>Impact on service delivery</i> 	The BE initiative is a major new project for the Council, and the Committee will provide critical friend challenge to the Executive on the way that it moves forward. It has also attracted a lot of attention from the media and general public, and therefore Members will reflect the public voice and concerns in performing its scrutiny role.		
Diversity and Equality <i>Diversity and Equality issues are to be considered and addressed.</i>			
Date agreed by Committee			
Future Action			
Governance Officer	Christine Sharland	Committee Officer	Ian Myers
Service Lead Officer(s)	Ricahrd Puleston, Assistant Chief Executive		

