Environment Select Committee

Chair's Update to Executive Scrutiny Committee – 30 September 2008

Review of Customer First, Animal Welfare Service and Dog Fouling

Update on Progress (including issues/problems/successes)

At the next meeting on 13th October the Committee will consider the draft report following the review of Customer First.

A Tri-partite meeting was held on 2nd September 2008 to consider the scoping of the Animal Welfare Service and Dog Fouling scrutiny review. At the meeting it was decided to split the review into two separate parts starting with the review of the Animal Welfare Service to be followed by Dog Fouling.

The Select Committee met on 22nd September to hear a presentation by Environmental Health on the background and context of both service areas before considering the draft scoping documents for each of the reviews.

Timescale for Review

The review of Customer First is scheduled to report to Cabinet in November.

The Animal Welfare Service and Dog Fouling reviews are scheduled to report to Cabinet in April 2009.

Monitoring

There are no new monitoring reports due for this Committee.

Other items

Local Democracy Week 11th to 17th October 2008. A series of planned events will be taking place during this week. Included in the programme is a visit by a group of young people with an interest in local government affairs to the Environment Select Committee at its meeting on 13th October. The young people will have an opportunity to see local democracy in action as well as contribute to the Animal Welfare Service and Dog Fouling scrutiny reviews.