

COMMITTEE: BEST VALUE SCRUTINY PANEL

DATE: 6TH JULY 2004

SUBJECT: REMIT OF THE PANEL

REPORT BY: DIRECTOR OF SCRUTINY

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IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL	COMMUNITY SAFETY
EQUALITIES	ENVIRONMENT
FINANCIAL	CONSULTATIONS
STAFFING	OTHER

WARDS AFFECTED: NONE

PURPOSE

1. The purpose of this report is to inform the panel about an issue I have asked the Scrutiny Board to consider relating to the scope of the panel's remit

RECOMMENDATION(S)

2. Best Value Scrutiny Panel Committee is recommended to note the report and have regard to the decision of the Scrutiny Board in planning their future work programme.

BACKGROUND

3. The background to this item is set out in the report to the Scrutiny Board on 30th June that is attached as an appendix.

REPORT

4. This panel was established to cover the issues formerly dealt with informally by the 'Core Group'; however the terms of reference of the Panel determined by the Board only cover

best value and best value reviews. The report to the Board (attached) raises the question of whether the scope of the Panel's remit should be extended to cover procurement and performance so as to better match the remit of the officers' group that has also been put in place following the demise of the Core Group.

PROPOSAL/OPTION

5. The decision of the Scrutiny Board will be reported orally. The Panel is asked to have regard to the decision of the Board and any changes to the Panel's terms of reference in planning the work programme for future meetings.

APPENDIX

6. Report (7.7) of the Director of Scrutiny to the Scrutiny Board on 30th June entitled "Best Value Scrutiny Panel – Terms of Reference".

LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS **LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972, SECTION 100D**

7. Previous reports to and minutes of the Scrutiny Board as set out in the appended report.