

# Agenda

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## Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2011 at 10.00 a.m.

Queen Elizabeth Room, Scaitcliffe House

### Membership

Chair: Councillor Ken Moss

Vice-Chair: Councillor Wendy Dwyer

Councillors: Paul Cox, June Harrison, Susan Haworth, Doug Hayes, Terry Hurn  
and Ian Robinson

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### Overview and Scrutiny Committee Principles

The Committee will exercise the following principles when conducting its business:-

1. At all times adhere to the code of conduct for members and the protocol for member/officer relations.
2. To treat people fairly and with respect and be constructive, especially when challenging people.
3. To seek consensus on the best solutions irrespective of party politics.
4. To be open and transparent.
5. To look for continuous improvement rather than blame.
6. To be inclusive and democratic.
7. To communicate well and constantly.
8. To make best use of available resources.
9. To ensure equality of opportunity.
10. To allow portfolio holders when present to deal with questions and facilitate officer input when under scrutiny.



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## **AGENDA**

**1. Apologies for absence, Substitutions, Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

**2. Minutes of Last Meeting**

To receive the Minutes of the meeting of the Resources Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 29<sup>th</sup> November, 2011 for approval as a correct record. **Minutes to follow.**

**Recommended - That the Minutes be received and approved as a correct record.**

**3. Review of Mobile Phone Contracts Across Council Departments**

To inform the Committee of spend on mobile phone usage across departments of the Council. The departmental breakdown is administratively historic and may not reflect exactly the current organisation structure. Figures are available on a user/mobile phone basis if needed. Although the figures for 2011/12 are only from April to October, the overall trend is that mobile phone usage charges are reducing: 25% in 2010/11 and 11% (projected) in 2011/12.

**Recommended - That the mobile phone usage levels per section/department be noted.**

**4. Financial Implications of Planning Decisions**

To inform the Committee of the background for receiving the Audit Committee report "Planning Application and Enforcement Risks (Appeals) and Pressure from Protest Groups" (Appendix 1)

**Recommended - That the report be noted.**

**5. North West Strategic Scrutiny Network - Scrutiny Member Network**

To inform the Committee of the Scrutiny Member Network and to consider if members should attend.

**Recommended - That the nomination of members to attend the Scrutiny Member Network be considered.**

**6. Responses of Cabinet/Council to Reports of Overview and Scrutiny - Update**

To note the outcome of the Cabinet's and Council's deliberations and their responses to reports relating to Overview and Scrutiny.

**Recommended** - That the outcome of the Cabinet's and the Council's deliberations and responses to reports relating to Overview and Scrutiny be noted.