



AGENDA

For a meeting of the

RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT AND SCRUTINY PANEL

to be held on

THURSDAY, 15 MARCH 2007

at

9.30 AM

in

**WITHAM ROOM, COUNCIL OFFICES, ST. PETER'S HILL,
GRANTHAM**

Duncan Kerr, Chief Executive

Panel Members:	Councillor David Brailsford, Councillor Robert Conboy, Councillor Dorrien Dexter, Councillor Kenneth Joynson, Councillor Albert Victor Kerr, Councillor John Kirkman (Chairman), Councillor Reg Lovelock M.B.E. (Vice-Chairman), Councillor Andrew Roy Moore and Councillor Gerald Taylor
Scrutiny Officer: Scrutiny Support Officer:	Paul Morrison 01476 406512 p.morrison@southkesteven.gov.uk

Members of the Panel are invited to attend the above meeting to consider the items of business listed below.

1. COMMENTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

To receive comments or views from members of the public at the Panel's discretion.

2. MEMBERSHIP

The Panel to be notified of any substitute members.

3. APOLOGIES

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members are asked to declare any interests in matters for consideration at the meeting.

5. ACTION NOTES

The notes of the meeting held on 8th February 2007 are attached for information.
(Enclosure)

6. FEEDBACK FROM THE EXECUTIVE

7. UPDATES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

8. INTERNAL AUDIT

The Panel will receive an update from PricewaterhouseCoopers. **(Enclosure)**

The Panel will receive an update the implementation of recommendations made by PricewaterhouseCoopers.

9. RISK MANAGEMENT UPDATE

The Panel will receive an update from the Risk Management Team Leader. **(Enclosure)**

10. INSURANCE CLAIMS

- Insurance claims and subsequent costs will be scrutinised by the Panel.
- The Panel will scrutinise the internal insurance reserve and associated figures. **(Enclosure)**

11. REVIEW OF TREASURY MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Panel will consider the Treasury Management Strategy. **(Enclosure)**

12. ANNUAL EFFICIENCY STATEMENT

Report CHFR36 providing an Annual Efficiency Statement update. **(Enclosure)**

13. PENSION CAPITAL COSTS

Report CHFR37 to Cabinet on 5th March 2007. **(Enclosure)**

14. PAYBACK OF THE INVESTMENT ON INFRASTRUCTURE

15. STAFF EMPLOYMENT STATISTICS

The Panel will receive an update on staff employment statistics. **(To Follow)**

16. PEOPLE STRATEGY

17. LOCAL AREA AGREEMENT

The Panel will scrutinise the report to Council from 1st March 2007.

18. REPORTS FROM WORKING GROUPS

19. BEST VALUE PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

(Enclosure)

20. WORK PROGRAMME

(Enclosure)

21. REPRESENTATIVES ON OUTSIDE BODIES

Representatives on outside bodies to give update reports.

22. FINANCIAL REPORTS

(Enclosure)

23. ANY OTHER BUSINESS, WHICH THE CHAIRMAN, BY REASONS OF SPECIAL CIRCUMSTANCE, DECIDES IS URGENT.

WORKING STYLE OF SCRUTINY

The Role Of Scrutiny

- To provide a “critical friend” challenge to the Executive as well as external authorities and agencies
- To reflect the voice and concerns of the public and its communities
- Scrutiny Members should take the lead and own the Scrutiny Process on behalf of the public
- Scrutiny should make an impact on the delivery of public services

Remember...

- Scrutiny should be member led
- Any conclusions must be backed up by evidence
- Meetings should adopt an inquisitorial rather than adversarial style of traditional local government committees