

SCRUTINY MATTERS AND REVIEWS UNDERTAKEN BY THE COMMISSION

17/07 - REQUESTS FOR INCLUSION OF ITEMS IN FUTURE WORK

PROGRAMME: The Scrutiny Officer circulated a letter from a member of public, Mr Walker, requesting that the Commission look into the usefulness and economies of recycling. Mr Walker had been due to attend and address the Commission, however, he had been taken ill. It was **agreed** that, in his absence, the item be deferred to the next meeting for consideration and that he be invited to attend.

The Scrutiny Officer advised of a potential future item of work in relation to the redevelopment of the exhibition halls at HIC as a result of the consideration at Council of 19 July 2007 and the commitment to ensure that it was subject to appropriate scrutiny. As the main concern regarding this issue related to finance and also other Scrutiny Members may have appropriate expertise, the Scrutiny Officer suggested that a proposal to establish a cross Commission Panel to scrutinise and review the redevelopment be submitted to the Overview and Scrutiny Board for consideration. He also suggested that as HIC was within the remit of this Commission the OI and Environment Commission would be the parent body for the review. This was **agreed** by the Commission and Councillors Galloway and Willis indicated that they were willing to serve on such a Panel if needed.

Councillor Reg Marsh suggested that the procedures at Council meetings should be reviewed, in particular, in relation to Members' Question time and Notices of Motion, and it was **agreed** that this be included as an item in the work programme and that the Scrutiny Officer meet with Councillor Reg Marsh to prepare a scope for the next meeting.

(6.05 pm - 6.15 pm)