REPORT OF ECONOMY AND PLANNING PORTFOLIO PERFORMANCE AND REVIEW PANEL

(Meeting held 31 January 2001)

1. OUTLINE WORK PROGRAMME (REPORT B) (MINUTE 16)

Members have considered a suggested Work Programme for the Panel for the year 2001/02.

Following the guidance presented at the previous meeting, the Work Programme was framed around the following main themes:

- a) Best Value reviews
- b) Monitoring of action plans
- c) Monitoring of performance indicators
- d) Input into the development of Policy and Strategy
- e) Review the overall set of performance indicators and performance of the services involved
- f) Input into the corporate cycle where it affects services covered by the portfolio, for example fees and charges, expenditure planning and community planning
- g) Input to issues as they arise via Cabinet or via the Panel itself
- h) Review of relevant items in the Best Value Local Performance Plan

The role of the Panel in the adopted Best Value process will be critical and there will be stages where the whole Panel will be involved. At the end of each review there will be an Action Plan. This is the Plan that will shape the continuous improvement within that element of the service and the Panel will be monitoring that performance.

Some Members expressed concern about a perceived lack of community facilities in towns and villages in the District. Officers undertook to write to Town and Parish Councils, asking for their views on this topic. The responses would be reported in conjunction with the review of the first stage of the Draft Local Plan.

Members agreed the programme, and asked for the item concerning "Planning Applications on the Internet" to be widened to include the whole service.

RECOMMENED:

That the work programme attached at Appendix 1 to this report be adopted as the basis for the work for the Panel for the year 2001/02.

Councillor Mrs P A Wyeth CHAIRMAN

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OUTLINE WORK PROGRAMME

MARCH 2001

Planning Best Value Action Plan - to prioritise the need for further reports on the monitoring of the implementation of the plan.

Publicity for Planning Applications, including neighbour notification.

Planning Applications on the internet.

Economic Strategy - to consider strategy and to highlight items for more detailed reports to future meetings.

MAY 2001

Outcome of Planning Performance Indicators in 2000/1 financial year.

Threatened Historic Buildings - Annual Review.

Capital programme for Environmental Improvement Schemes.

Improving transport links for young people.

JULY 2001

Update on Human Rights Act and its impact on planning processes (may be brought earlier depending on House of Lords decisions)

Land Charges - Performance Review and preparations for Best Value.

Assessment of Building Control Fees

Performance Review Reports Highways & Street Lighting

Review of Expenditure & Performance (Feeds into Performance Review Reports)
Car Parking
Building Control
Highways & Street Cleansing

MAFF High Level Targets Policy Statements

SEPTEMBER 2001

Car parks - Best Value Scoping Reports.

Review of Expenditure on community transport initiatives.

NOVEMBER 2001

Building Control Best Value - Scoping Reports.

New Forest Parking Strategy

Travel Demand Study

Review of Building Control Charges

JANUARY 2002

Decriminalisation of Parking

Expenditure Planning