

Overview & Scrutiny Board

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Subject Heading:

Protocol for pre-decision scrutiny - update

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Policy context:

Overview & Scrutiny

Financial summary:

There are no significant financial implications.

The subject matter of this report deals with the following Council Objectives

Communities making Havering	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Places making Havering	<input type="checkbox"/>
Opportunities making Havering	<input type="checkbox"/>
Connections making Havering	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUMMARY

At its meeting in August 2020, O&S Board agreed a protocol for pre-decision scrutiny. There were a number of suggested amendments which have now been incorporated and the updated version of the protocol is attached to this report for noting.

RECOMMENDATION

To note the amendments to the protocol for pre-decision scrutiny attached at Appendix A & B.

REPORT DETAIL

Members agreed the protocol for pre-decision scrutiny at the meeting of O&S Board in August. As part of the debate, there were a number of suggested amendments which would assist in providing clarity regarding process and timescales. It was agreed that the matter would be reported back to the O&S Board for completeness.

Those amendments have now been incorporated into the protocol, a copy of which is attached at Appendix A & B.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Legal Implications and Risks

It is a matter for overview & scrutiny to determine how it wishes to conduct pre-decision scrutiny. The proposed protocol complements guidance which has been issued under section 9Q of the Local Government Act 2000 and under paragraph 2(9) of Schedule 5A to the Local Democracy, Economic Development and Construction Act 2009.

Finance Implications and Risks – None

HR Implications and Risks – None

Equalities Implications and Risks - None

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None