



## SCRUTINY TOPIC REGISTRATION FORM

Dear Reader

Scrutiny Members examine the decisions, policies and performance of the Council and make recommendations where they feel things could be improved for the citizens of York.

This non-Executive Member cross-party role was created by the Local Government Act 2000 which is all about modernising local government and creating better ways for citizens to be more involved in local decision making.

The scrutiny boards will consider possible suggestions about issues to look at from anyone, so long as these are not specific issues of an individual nature which should be taken up with a local Councillor or addressed through the Corporate Complaints system.

Scrutiny at York has already investigated things as diverse as the response to the 2000 'Floods', provision for 'Young People in York', 'Rail Side Safety' and 'Street Cleaning'.

If you have a suggestion for something the scrutiny boards might consider, then please fill in this registration form and return it to us, either by post or by e-mail.

Madeleine Kirk

**Cllr Madeleine Kirk**  
**Chair, Scrutiny Management Committee**

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<p><b>SUGGESTED TITLE OF TOPIC</b>  <b>Extended Schools: The Way Forward in York</b></p>
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<p><b>ABOUT YOU</b> Please fill in as many of the details as you are able to.</p>
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<p><b>Title (delete as applicable):</b></p> <p><b>Other please state</b> Councillor</p>
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<p><b>Are You</b> (delete as applicable)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>A Resident of York</b></li> <li>• <b>A Visitor</b></li> <li>• <b>A City of York Councillor</b></li> <li>• <b>A City of York Council Employee</b></li> <li>• <b>A Representative of a Voluntary Organisation or Charitable Trust</b>            (if YES please tell us the organisations title and your relationship to the organisation below )</li> <li>• <b>Other</b> (please comment)</li> </ul>	<p>YES</p> <p>NO</p> <p>YES</p> <p>NO</p> <p>NO</p>
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**ABOUT YOUR PROPOSED TOPIC**

Please write your responses to as many of the questions below as you are able to.

**WHY DO YOU THINK THIS TOPIC IS IMPORTANT?**

An extended school is one that provides a range of services and activities often beyond the school day to help meet the needs of its pupils, their families and the wider community. Many schools in York are already providing some extended services including study support, sports and ICT facilities.

The Department for Education and Skills puts forward that extended schools are one of the most likely bases for the delivery of services within local Every Child Matters, and therefore schools and their partners in York need to build on existing provision and consider what additional provision may be needed.

**DO YOU KNOW IF THIS TOPIC IS IMPORTANT TO OTHER PEOPLE? IF SO, WHO AND WHY?**

The issue of extended schools is very important to the wider community. Extended schools can provide a range of positive outcomes, including for children, for families and the local community itself. It has been suggested that these include improved attainment, attendance and behaviour, increased parental involvement and where different sectors of the community can engage with each other.

WHAT DO YOU THINK SCRUTINY OF THIS TOPIC MIGHT CHANGE, DO OR ACHIEVE?

As part of the Ten Year Childcare Strategy, by 2010 all primary schools will be providing breakfast and after-school clubs in some form, and by 2010 all secondary schools will be part of a network providing after school sports, arts and holiday activities.

Local Authorities (and Children's Trusts) have a role to play in supporting extended schools – we need to see how City of York Council is bringing together partners to plan services across the city, how budgets are being dealt with and how schools are thinking about delivering services together, to ensure that everyone in York receives the possible benefits.

DO YOU HAVE IDEAS ABOUT THE APPROACH SCRUTINY MEMBERS MIGHT TAKE TO YOUR SUGGESTED TOPIC?

Firstly, a briefing from education officers about the situation with extended schools so far in York. Then a mixture of research, discussion and site visits – especially investigating what York's schools are doing already, and how the Local Authority can help. A workshop between all interested parties to brainstorm the way forward may help.

WOULD YOU BE HAPPY TO TALK TO SCRUTINY MEMBERS ABOUT YOUR PROPOSED TOPIC AT FORMAL MEETINGS?

Member of Scrutiny Board.

PLEASE ENCLOSE ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS OR OTHER INFORMATION YOU FEEL MIGHT BE USEFUL BACKGROUND TO THE SUBMISSION OF THIS TOPIC FOR CONSIDERATION.

Please find attached DfES booklet, "Extended Schools: Providing Opportunities and Services for all"

## OUR COMMITMENT TO YOU

Thank you for proposing a new scrutiny topic. As Members of the Scrutiny Management Committee and Scrutiny Boards we promise the following things;

- To advise you of any meetings where a decision will be taken as to whether to progress your topic and invite you to attend
- If Members would like you to speak in support of your topic at such meetings you will be notified and supported through the process by a Scrutiny Officer
- If you do not wish to speak you do not have to; your choice will not influence fair consideration of your topic.

Please return this form to the address below or send it by email. If you want any more information about Scrutiny or submitting a new topic for consideration then please contact the Scrutiny Team.

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