
Scrutiny Management Committee

4 September 2006

Report of the Head of Civic, Democratic and Legal Services

Proposed New Scrutiny Topics: Public Art (no 137)

Summary

1. This report asks members to re-consider the topic registration form for Public Art (see Annex A) and decide if it can be approved for progression to a future Ad Hoc Scrutiny Sub-Committee. Members will decide at a later date which of the approved topics will be selected for immediate investigation.

Background

2. A feasibility report for this topic was considered at the meeting of this Committee held on 26 June 2006.
3. Members were of the opinion that they needed more information concerning the decision of 1998 in which it was decided that 1 per cent of the total cost of any new development be set aside for public art.
4. It was requested the member who proposed this topic plus relevant officers be asked to provide further information for members of this Committee.

Consultation

5. Cllr Chris Hogg has been asked to attend this meeting along with Gill Cooper from CYC's Arts and Culture service and officers from Planning.

Options

6. After considering the contents of the topic registration forms and feasibility reports members may decide to:
 - Not progress the topic further, giving reasons

- Add the topics to the list of those available for progression to an Ad Hoc Sub Committee when resources become available to form these.

Analysis

7. Members need to be aware that uncompleted reports from former Scrutiny Boards are still being finished by Ad Hoc Sub Committees. This may delay the opportunities to progress new topics at this time.

Corporate Priorities

8. Members may consider that Topic 137 is relevant to the Corporate Priority 3 – improve the actual and perceived condition and appearance of the city's streets, housing estates and publicly accessible spaces.

Implications

9. There are no known Financial, HR, Equalities, Legal, Crime and Disorder, IT or other implications at this stage.

Risk Management

10. In compliance with the Councils risk management strategy. There are no risks associated with the recommendations of this report.

Recommendations

11. Members are asked to decide how they wish to progress scrutiny topic number 137.
Reason: In order to carry out their responsibilities in managing the Scrutiny function in York

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Wards Affected:

All

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Annexes

Annex A – Scrutiny Topic Registration Form No 137

Background Papers

None