

Councillors Present: Reid (Chair), Blencowe and Ward

Also Present: Brian Human (Head of Policy & Projects)

1 Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting held on the 12 December 2006 were approved as a correct record.

2 Apologies

Apologies for absence had been received from Councillor Durrant.

3 Declarations of Interest

None.

4 Public Questions

None.

5 Statement of Community Involvement: A Consultation Strategy for Planning in Cambridge

The Head of Policy & Projects introduced the report. He said that members of the public found it more difficult to engage with Long Term Planning Policy; they were more interested in individual planning applications. So although a small number of representations had been received, these were important. He thought it was unlikely that there would be a public hearing.

The Steering Group had no substantive comments on the recommendation.

The Chair in her role as Executive Councillor agreed the responses to the representations set out in Appendix A of the officer report (see also Record of Decision 07/ENV/U2).

6 Dates and times of future meetings

Members agreed the following dates (all Tuesdays) with a start time of 9.30am:

27 March 2007	15 January 2008 (To avoid Environment Scrutiny on 8/1)
24 April	19 February (To avoid half term)
22 May	18 March
19 June	15 April
17 July	
14 August	
11 September	
9 October	
13 November (To avoid Environment Scrutiny on 6/11)	
11 December	

Also agreed that members of Planning Committee and Environment Scrutiny Committee be emailed the agendas of the meetings.

The meeting closed at 4.25pm

Chair