COMMUNITY AND SAFER CITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

FORWARD PLAN - KEY DECISIONS FOR THE PERIOD 1 DECEMBER 2009 - 31 MARCH 2010

REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE

8 DECEMBER 2009

1. Purpose of the Report

1.1 To provide Members with an opportunity to consider the Executive's Forward Plan for the period 1 December 2009 – 31 March 2010.

2. Background

- 2.1 The Council's Forward Plan contains matters which are likely to be the subject of a key decision to be taken by the Executive. The Plan covers a four month period and is prepared and updated on a monthly basis.
- 2.2 Holding the Executive to account is one of the main functions of Scrutiny. One of the ways that this can be achieved is by considering the forthcoming decisions of the Executive (as outlined in the Forward Plan) and deciding whether Scrutiny can add value in advance of the decision being made. This does not negate Non-Executive Members ability to call-in a decision after it has been made.
- 2.3 The Forward Plan for the period 1 December 2009 31 March 2010 is attached marked **Appendix 1**. As requested by members at the last meeting, only those items which are under the remit of the Committee have been included. The remit of the Committee covers the following themes:-

Safer Sunderland Strategy, Social Inclusion, Community Safety; Anti Social Behaviour; Domestic Violence; Community Cohesion; Equalities; Licensing Policy and Regulation, Community Associations, Registrars.

2.4 In the event of Members having any queries that cannot be dealt with directly in the meeting, a response will be sought from the relevant Directorate.

3. Recommendations

3.1 To consider the Executive's Forward Plan for the period 1 December 2009 – 31 March 2010.

4. Background Papers

None

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