SCRUTINY & POLICY PANEL

Project Scoping Template

Scrutiny Topic	Project Management Analysis: can the Council improve its
(Name of review)	management of major projects?
Rationale	The Council regularly undertakes major projects and is likely to
(Purpose and objectives of the scrutiny review)	continue to do so in the future. There is a need to ensure that they complete on time, to budget and to the original specification in order
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	There is a need to ensure a proper understanding of why projects may
	overrun, and what we can do to mitigate in terms of staffing, pre-
	planning, training, contacting the right partners, project selection, cost
	forecasting, motivation, and contingency planning.
	Better project management contributes to growth and prosperity,
	efficiency and effectiveness; and it will enhance delivery of all Council
	goals.
Key Lines of Enquiry:	1. Review previous ELDC projects in terms of how they were
(Focus of the review)	project managed – what went well, what were the areas for
	improvement, how have we learned from them to improve
	future project management?
	2. How is the implementation of the new project management resource working out?
	3. How do other Councils approach project management and
	what can we learn from them?
Indicators of success	Ensure value for money
(desired outcomes, what	Start with realistic expectations
should change as a result)	Consistently good outcomes
	> On time completion
Approach/methodology	Internal witnesses: portfolio holder(Finance and Corporate affairs),
	Adrian Sibley and team, project sponsors (Richard Hodgson, Matthew
	Hogan, Andy Fisher, Emily Spicer, Lydia Rusling, John Leach)
	External witnesses: partners on recent big / major projects
	Resources: project resources / planning documents
Liaison Officer	Adrian Sibley
Timescales	Start date: June
	End Date: September
	Target Overview meeting: October
	Target Council meeting: December