

Scrutiny review scoping

1. What is the review?

A review of the council's regeneration scheme in the South Bermondsey station area. The scheme was for security and associated environmental works at the station and the nearby shopping parade on Ilderton Road.

This relatively small scheme, which included joint funding from the Department for Transport (DfT) via Network Rail, has suffered significant unanticipated delays. These delays have resulted in the loss of the £50,000 joint funding from DfT and therefore put the programme in jeopardy.

The local community were involved in scoping out the original proposal for this work and are frustrated by the lack of progress.

2. What outcomes could realistically be achieved? Who does the committee want to influence?

The review would aim to make recommendations for the executive to:

- Make any remedial action to put the programme back on track.
- Improve project management processes for future joint-funded programmes to minimise the risk of loss of funding.

3. What does the committee aim to produce?

Recommendations for the executive to consider on the above.

4. What are some of the key issues that you'd like to look at during the review?

- Background on the original agreed project.
- Project planning that took place.
- Explanations for delays.
- Current state of play.
- Communication with local community on progress.
- What lessons have already been learnt?
- Recommendations to get project back on course.
- Recommendations for future joint-funded regeneration projects.

5. Who would you like to receive evidence and advice from during the review?

- Officers involved in the scheme (Sally Crew was the lead officer)
- Local residents from Bonamy and Bramcote TRA on their input into the scheme and their concerns. The TRA is aware that this is being considered and their chair, Pat Hickson, has expressed a wish to attend.
- If possible, DfT or Network Rail

6. Any suggestions for background information? Are you aware of any best practice on this topic?

See above.

7. What approaches could be useful for gathering evidence? What can be done outside committee meetings?

e.g. verbal or written submissions, site visits, mystery-shopping, service observation, meeting with stakeholders, survey, consultation event or additional public meetings

- Written submission from officers, along with attendance at the meeting.
- Written or verbal report from DfT/ Network Rail
- Verbal submission from chair of Bonamy and Bramcote TRA

8. When should the review be carried out/completed?

i.e. does the review need to take place before/after a certain time?

- At scrutiny meeting on 31 October 2007.

9. How much formal committee meeting time do you want to commit to this topic?

- 1 hour to 90 minutes.