

NOTES OF A MEETING OF THE JOINT CHAIRS AND VICE-CHAIRS STEERING GROUP – SCRUTINY, AUDIT AND DEMOCRATIC SERVICES COMMITTEES

22 MARCH 2013 – COUNTY HALL, LLANDRINDOD WELLS

PRESENT: County Councillors W T Jones (Chair) and Mrs K Silk (Chair from 11 am)
County Councillors E M Jones, Mrs M Mackenzie and J G Morris

Officers:

Nick Philpott (Head of ICT and Customer Services), Janet Kealey (Head of Legal, Scrutiny and Democratic Services), Catherine Lewis (Corporate Planning Officer) and Lisa Richards (Scrutiny Officer)

1. Apologies

County Councillors A W Davies, Mrs D Bailey and Mrs S Davies, Jeremy Patterson (Chief Executive), Peter Jones (Programme Office Manager) and Liz Patterson (Scrutiny Officer)

2. Notes of Last Meeting

Documents Considered:

- 22 February 2013

Outcomes:

- Received

3. Powys Change Plan 2013-16

Documents Considered:

- Powys Change Plan
- Integrated Corporate Planning Cycle
- Report on Statement of Intent Survey
- Draft Powys Change Plan – Comments received to date
- Notes of Joint Chairs' Steering Group 14 September 2012
- WAO Improvement Assessment Letter
- Scrutiny Challenge and Feedback Tracker

Issues Discussed:

- All documents were considered and amendments made to the draft Plan
- It was not thought necessary to invite Portfolio Holders to attend a further meeting of the Joint Chairs' Steering Group – comments and suggestions were made on PCP (copy attached to notes for reference) and would be forwarded to Portfolio Holders and responses monitored
- Residents' Survey – was too much emphasis placed on this document. Suggestions for improvements would be considered at a future meeting
- Overall the document was considered to be an improvement on the previous Plan

Outcomes:

- Amended document to be circulated to Portfolio Holders and Heads of Service
- Responses to suggestions to be monitored

- The Residents' Survey to be included on the May agenda to discuss format and potential improvements

4. Dates of future meetings

- 26 April 2013
- 24 May 2013
- 14 June 2013
- 2 August 2013
- 13 September 2013
- 23 October 2013
- 29 November 2013

5. LSB Meeting Dates

- 15th May, 2013
- 10th July, 2013
- 8th October, 2013

**County Councillor W.T. Jones
Chair**