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**DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
IMPROVEMENT AND SCRUTINY – PLACES COMMITTEE**

16 July 2014

Review of the Highways Inspection System

Scoping Report

Purpose of the Report

To inform Members of the scope of a scrutiny review of the Council's highways inspection system.

Information and Analysis

This Committee, at its meeting on 21 May, agreed a number of reviews for its work programme. The first would be to consider the process currently used to inspect the highways and determine any necessary repairs. The review will look at the rationalisation of the vehicles used for highways inspections and the impact this has had, if any.

Councillors Lauro, Southerd, D.Williams, Atkins and Spencer were appointed to the review working group and, once the scope of the review has been agreed, will commence the review.

The review will consider the current system of highways inspections and repair, take the opportunity to view highways inspections being undertaken on-site and compare the process with that used by other Highways Authorities.

Potential Information Sources

It is proposed that the review working group will request information from the following sources;

Strategic Director of Economy, Transport and Environment
The County Council's Highways Inspection team
Other Highways Maintenance Authorities
Cabinet Member for Economy Jobs and Transport

Timescale for the Review

It is anticipated that the review will be concluded in December 2014

Other Considerations

The relevance of the following factors has also been considered in preparing this report; Property, Finance, Human Relations, Legal and Human Rights, Prevention of Crime

OFFICER'S RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the scoping report for the Improvement and Scrutiny review of the highways inspection system be approved;

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