SECTION 106 OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORKING GROUP   **JANUARY 2005**

TERMS OF REFERENCE

Purpose of this panel / anticipated value of its work:

> To examine the section 106 process from a member perspective and make recommendations on any improvements which are appropriate and viable.

Key objectives:

1. Identify any improvements to the way planning conditions and obligations are determined, managed, monitored and implemented.
2. Identify ways in which local community aspirations can have more influence on the level and nature of section 106 agreements where there is a justifiable and legally sound reason for doing so.
3. Determine the optimum level of member involvement in the whole process and how this could best be achieved.

Scope of the work:

1. Gain understanding of the legislation and planning guidelines that relate to 106's and any constraints on member involvement.
2. Examine current level of member involvement in determining the agreements and seek members' views on the ideal.
3. Review the financial management and reporting of Section 106 agreements. Specifically regarding the information given to members at ward level.

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Terms of Reference agreed by O&S Committee: EBI O&S on 19th January 2005 after
                                             comment by other O&S committees.

Panel structure: 1 member from each of the O&S
                                             committees
Officer support   Grahame Lewis and other officers to be
                                             determined
Panel Chair   To be determined at first meeting
Portfolio Holder   Deputy (Built Environment and
                                             Democracy)

TIMESCALE – Starting February 2005 and aim to complete by July 2005

REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS

Body	Date
All O&S committees will be invited to comment on the draft recommendations. Final report will be endorsed by the Environment O&S committee before being sent to Cabinet/Planning or Council as appropriate.	July 2005

MONITORING/FEEDBACK ARRANGEMENTS

Body	Details	Date
The Environment O&S committee will follow up the implementation of any recommendations agreed.		