

**HERTFORDSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL  
COMMUNITY INFORMATION & PROTECTION  
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**FUNCTIONS AND REMIT OF THE COMMUNITY INFORMATION &  
PROTECTION SELECT COMMITTEE**

Report of the County Secretary

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**1 Purpose of Report**

To note the functions and remit of the Community Information & Protection Select Committee.

**2 Functions**

2.1 The functions of the Select Committee are to:

- i) Scrutinise and comment upon proposed policies and decisions within their remit brought to them by the Cabinet, in order to assist the development of policy and effective decision making.
- ii) Consider matters referred to them by the Council and make recommendations thereon to the Council, Cabinet and Chief Officer.
- iii) Scrutinise and make recommendations to the Council, Cabinet or a chief officer on particular areas of policy or service delivery which they have chosen to investigate. A Select Committee may not duplicate the work of a Best Value review or investigate a matter which they have considered within the preceding six months, unless requested to do so by the Cabinet or Council.

### **3. Remit**

3.1 The remit of the Select Committee covers:

- culture (including sport and recreation)
- securing unified access to services
- public libraries, museums and the arts
- sport and recreation
- registration of births, marriages and deaths
- fire & rescue
- civil and emergency planning
- trading standards and consumer protection
- the Coroners Service.

### **4. Procedures**

4.1 The Standing Orders for Select Committees (set out in Appendix C to the Constitution) allow this select committee to determine their own arrangements for obtaining views from a wide range of sources; they may, if they wish, co-opt non-voting members.

4.2 Standing Orders also encourage the Select Committee to reach their conclusions by consensus if that is possible. A vote may, however, be taken if consensus cannot be reached on any particular issue.

### **5. Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

Background papers used by the author in compiling this report:

Constitution of the County Council adopted 16 May 2000