TRANSFORMATION AND IMPROVEMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

9 JUNE 2025

RESPONSE TO PUBLIC QUESTION

Question from John Palmer

Have all the committee diligently studied the PwC contract, and been fully briefed by officers? Leader Heather Kidd stated in a 22 May Newsroom story that the new Administration would "stop using expensive consultants". Is the scrutiny committee going to discuss and analyse if PwC have so far failed, by being unable to reveal anticipated tangible cost savings from its long-running renegotiation of the 27-year Waste PFI contract with Veolia, running until 2034?

Response from Cllr David Minnery, Chairman:-

It is for Members of Scrutiny Committees to decide upon and set their work programme. This is the first meeting of the Transformation and Improvement Overview a Scrutiny Committee with new Members recently appointed, and the work programme appears later on the agenda. This work programme may, if decided by Members of the Committee, include areas referred to in the guestion.