

Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) Joint Scrutiny Task Group: Update

The first meeting of the Task Group took place at Bromsgrove Council House on Thursday 26th September 2013.

At the start of the meeting Councillor Rod Laight (Bromsgrove District Council) was elected Chairman of the Task Group and Councillor Peter Tomlinson (Wychavon District Council) was elected Vice Chairman.

The Task Group also considered and endorsed the terms of reference for the review. In particular, Members agreed that it would be important to consider the original business case for WRS, statutory requirements for regulatory services, comparative performance data for services before and after the introduction of the shared arrangements, customer satisfaction with the regulatory services, and governance arrangements. Members agreed that the review should be completed by April 2014.

The dates for four further meetings of the Task Group have been identified. During these meetings Members are hoping to have an opportunity to consider relevant documentation and to interview a number of expert witnesses.