

ENVIRONMENTAL & PUBLIC PROTECTION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 26th FEBRUARY 2016

Explanation for non-submission of scrutiny report

Item: Impact of Local Authority Trading Standards in Challenging Times – Department for Business, Innovation & Skills

Responsible Officer(s): Roger Edmunds (Trading Standards Services Manager)

Explanation: The trading standards regulatory and structural landscape for local authorities is changing, both in Wales and across the UK.

A UK Regulatory Services Conference is being held in February 2016 where it is expected that a number of key issues such as regionalisation and shared services will be discussed. The result of the impending Welsh Government elections in May will also undoubtedly have a bearing on the future direction of services (e.g. regionalisation).

Due to these on-going changes, it is proposed that a comprehensive report on the future of Trading Standards, be included in the Committee's new work programme for 2016/17.

Revised Submission Date: June / September 2016 (TBC)