

Committee Work Programme 2016/17

Portfolio	Corporate
Ward(s) Affected:	n/a

Purpose

To consider the Committee work programme for the remainder of the municipal year 2016/17.

Background

1. The Performance and Finance Scrutiny Committee was appointed by the Council at its Annual Meeting on 18 May 2016.
2. The Constitution, at Part 4, Section C paragraph 6 requires the Committee to develop a work programme. This will normally be set at the last meeting of a municipal year, for the subsequent municipal year.
3. Members are asked to consider a work programme for the remaining meetings of 2016/17.
4. The work programme will develop through the year, to meet new demands and changing circumstances and the Committee will be expected to review its work programme from time to time and make minor amendments as required.
5. One of the tasks given to the Committee is to carry out pieces of work requested by the Council and/or the Executive.
6. The Terms of Reference of the Committee are attached at Annex A and a draft programme for the remainder of 2016/17, is attached at Annex B, purely as a guide.
7. The following further meeting have been scheduled for the municipal year 2016/16:

28 September 2016
7 December 2016
22 March 2017
9. The Executive Head of Finance has requested that the Reserves and Provisions report be slotted in to the September meeting each year to give sufficient preparation time and it is proposed that the RIPA report be moved to a post-March meeting each year to allow a full year report.

Proposal

10. It is proposed that Members consider a work programme for the remainder of the municipal year 2016/17.

Resource Implications

11. Subject to any decisions relating the work programme, there are no resource implications which have not already been factored in, with those mainly involving officer time.

Recommendation

12. The Scrutiny Committee is advised to consider a work programme for the remainder of the municipal year 2016/17.

Background Papers: None

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PERFORMANCE AND FINANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

- 1.1 To appoint such task and finish groups as it considers appropriate to fulfil the statutory overview and scrutiny functions;
- 1.2 To prepare and maintain an annual work programme;
- 1.3 To undertake investigations into such matters relating to the Council's function and powers as:
 - (i) may be referred by the Council or the Leader/Executive;
 - (ii) the Committee may consider appropriate;
 - (iii) have been referred to the Committee pursuant to the "call-in" procedure set out in the Scrutiny Committee Procedure Rules; and
 - (iv) have been referred to the Committee pursuant to the Councillor Call for Action Protocol at Part 4, Section C of this Constitution;
- 1.4 To advise in relation to the Council's existing policies and strategies and assist in the development of policies and strategies;
- 1.5 To consider whether decisions taken by the Leader/Executive which were not treated as key decisions, should have been so treated, as set out in the Access to Information Procedure Rules at Part 4, Section 7 of this Constitution;
- 1.6 To monitor, to review and to report to the Leader/ Executive in relation to the following:
 - (i) performance of the Council's services, including against targets in the Annual Plan;
 - (ii) financial performance;
 - (iii) treasury management;
 - (iv) reserves and provisions;
 - (v) equalities;
 - (vi) complaints;
 - (vii) corporate risk;
 - (viii) emergency planning and business continuity.
- 1.7 To scrutinise performance of Portfolio Holders.
- 1.8 To receive an annual report from the Monitoring Officer in respect of authorisations granted during the municipal year pursuant to the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000.