

# **BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE PANEL**

## **Work Programme Report**

**15<sup>th</sup> December 2015**

### **Report of the Chief Officer (Governance)**

#### **PURPOSE OF REPORT**

To update Members on the Panel's Work Programme.

This report is public.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS**

- (1) That Members note the Work Programme, as detailed in Appendix A to the report.**
- (2) That Members consider whether they would like to include any further items in the Work Programme.**
- (3) The Panel is asked to consider paragraph 2 of the report.**

#### **1.0 Introduction**

- 1.1 Members are requested to consider the updated Work Programme.
- 1.2 The Budget and Performance Panel is responsible for setting its own annual Work Programme within the terms of reference, as set out in Part 3, Section 13 of the Constitution.
- 1.3 Members of the Budget and Performance Panel are entitled to give notice to the Chief Executive that they wish an item relevant to the Terms of Reference of the Committee to be included on the agenda for the first available meeting and the meeting will determine whether the issue should be included in its Work Programme based on its relevance as compared to the priorities as set out in the Scrutiny Work Programme (Part 4, Section 5 of the Constitution).

#### **2.0 Report**

##### **2.1 Management of Arts Investments**

Cabinet, at its meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2015, considered the above. Following consideration of the report it was resolved: -

- (1) That the City Council's existing Arts investment framework continues, subject to annual budget processes, until such a time as Cabinet determines that it wishes to take an alternative approach.

- (2) That, to ensure value for money and provide consistency, the commissioning criteria outlined in the Commissioning Framework and agreed by Cabinet in December 2012, as well as any relevant performance measures, be used as the basis of evaluation for the City Council's investment in the Arts.

The Panel had requested a report on the Arts Commissioning Framework to be submitted at the appropriate time (anticipated April 2017). In view of the decision of Cabinet this item has been removed from the Panel's Work Programme.

## 2.2 Referral from Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee, at its meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup> November 2015, noted that a briefing note detailing the mileage and number of journeys between Lancaster and Morecambe Town Halls had been circulated to Members of the Committee prior to the meeting. It was noted that the Budget and Performance Panel had discussed Business Travel Plans at its last meeting and it was suggested and agreed that the issue of car journeys be referred to the Budget and Performance Panel for consideration of any efficiencies and savings that could be made.

The Panel is asked to consider the referral.

<b>SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b>	
The Section 151 Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.	
<b>MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS</b>	
The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.	
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