

BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

Work Programme Report

8th November 2016

Report of the Chief Executive

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.**

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 12 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 Updates

- 2.1 At the meeting on the 21st September 2016 the Overview and Scrutiny Committee considered adding an item to their Work Programme on the evaluation of Council Housing. It was reported that this had also be discussed by the Budget and Performance Panel under its Work Programme Item on the Repairs and Maintenance Service (RMS). The Committee agreed that, to avoid duplication of work, this should be dealt with under the Panel's Work Programme and that Members of Overview and Scrutiny be invited to the meeting of the Panel when this would be discussed.
- 2.2 At the same meeting Overview and Scrutiny Committee discussed an item on their Work Programme regarding the 'Savings Options to be Explored', which

was circulated at Council on the 2nd March 2016 and included Service Reviews. It was agreed by the Committee that this issue was within the Terms of Reference of the Panel and therefore, to avoid duplication, it should be considered within the Panel's Work Programme. Updates on these options will be included in the usual reporting arrangements on the budget process, with the Panel's January meeting focusing on scrutiny of the budget.

- 2.3 At its meeting on the 13th September 2016 the Panel requested "that the Property Group Monitoring report be updated and circulated to the Panel separately as a briefing note". This update has been incorporated into the Quarter 2 Financial Monitoring Report to be considered at this meeting.
- 2.4 Officers are still waiting to be notified by the County Council on the results of the latest Pension Fund triennial review. When this information is received officers will produce a briefing note for the Panel's consideration. The Pension Authority is unable to provide any specific briefings for the Panel, but it has provided its most recent annual report and policy statement and these will be shared with Panel Members.
- 2.5 The Panel is requested to consider including these items on the Work Programme.

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