



Promoting City, Coast & Countryside

### Committee: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH 2014

Venue: MORECAMBE TOWN HALL

*Time:* 6.00 P.M.

Councillors are reminded that as Members of overview and scrutiny they may not be subjected to the Party Whip, which is prohibited under the Lancaster City Council Constitution.

### AGENDA

### 1. Apologies for Absence

### 2. Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting held on 29<sup>th</sup> January, 2014 (previously circulated).

#### 3. Items of Urgent Business authorised by the Chairman

#### 4. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations by Members of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Members are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Members should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B Section 2 of the Code Of Conduct, Members are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

### 5. Public Health in the Lancaster District

A representative from the County Council's Public Health Team will be in attendance.

#### 6. Update on Health Scrutiny

Councillor Paul Gardner, the Council's representative on the County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee, has been invited to the meeting.

- 7. Consideration of any requests for Councillor Call for Action (in accordance with the process)
- 8. Consideration of any Petitions (in accordance with the process)

### 9. Locality Working

10. Work Programme Report (Pages 1 - 4)

Report of the Head of Governance.

### ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

### (i) Membership

Councillors David Kerr (Chairman), Roger Dennison (Vice-Chairman), Mark Bevan, Caroline Jackson, Joan Jackson, Jane Parkinson, Ian Pattison, Pam Pickles and David Whitaker

#### (ii) Substitute Membership

Councillors June Ashworth Dave Brookes, Mike Greenall, Janet Hall, Roger Mace, Margaret Pattison and Richard Rollins

### (iii) Queries regarding this Agenda

Please contact Jenny Kay, Democratic Services - telephone (01524) 582065 or email jkay@lancaster.gov.uk.

### (iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies

Please contact Members' Secretary, telephone 582170, or alternatively email memberservices@lancaster.gov.uk.

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### Work Programme Report

### 5<sup>th</sup> March 2014

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

### PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide Members with an update of the Committee's Work Programme.

This report is public.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That the Committee consider the updated Work Programme.
- (2) That the Committee consider whether it wishes to undertake further work on the issues highlighted within the report.

### 1. Introduction

Members are requested to consider the updated Work Programme.

### 2. Updates

#### i. Older People's issues

Work has begun on the Dementia Friendly pilot in Bare and Torrisholme. The Ward Councillors for the 2 wards are involved and have met with Age UK to take this forward.

#### ii. Information on current CCTV provision and any future options for change from other Local Authorities

At the meeting of the Committee in November which was dedicated to Community Safety issues, it was agreed that :

"That the Committee requested information from all local and unitary authorities in Lancashire as well as South Lakeland District Council and Cumbria County Council on current CCTV provision and any future options for change."

This information was circulated to the Committee.

The Committee is requested to consider whether it wishes to undertake any further work on this issue and set up a Task Group to carry this out.

#### iii. Lancaster Fire Station Emergency Cover Review

Several Members have been contacted by a member of the public who has raised concern over the proposed removal of a fire appliance from Lancaster Fire Station which would halve the capacity for the city and outlying areas.

The Council has responded to the consultation on this proposal which has been circulated to Members of the Committee. The consultation period has ended but the implementation of this is in another 3 years.

The Committee is requested to consider if it wishes to pursue this issue.

#### iv. Flood Defences

Councillor Dennison has made a request that the Committee investigates the district's flood defences following the recent flood alerts and storms. This would include coastal defences as well as fluvial flooding.

The Committee is requested to consider whether it wishes to undertake some in depth work into this issue and set up a Task Group to carry this out.

### SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

As there are no financial implications arising from this report and the S151 Officer has no comments to make.

### MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments.

BACKGROUND PAPERS	Contact Officer: Jenny Kay
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None.	E-mail: jkay@lancaster.gov.uk

# OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14

Matter for Consideration	Officer responsible / External	Expected Date of Meeting
Update report on Health Scrutiny.	Health Scrutiny Representative.	March 2014.
Public Health in the Lancaster District.	Lancashire County Council.	March 2014.
Update on Property repairs.	Chief Officer (Resources)	April 2014.
Tenant's Forum.	Chairman of Tenant's Forum	April 2014.
Public Realm Complaints Informal Task Group.	Chief Officer (Environment)	April 2014.
Update on the Portas Project.	Town Team Chairman and Town Team Advisor.	June 2014.
Update on Dementia Friendly Pilot.	Age UK/Help Direct.	July 2014.
Consideration of Draft Older People's Housing Strategy.	Chief Officer (Health &Housing)	Autumn 2014.
Regular updates on the future of the Castle and on the Beyond the Castle project.	Chief Executive.	Tbc.
Update from Healthwatch Lancashire.	Healthwatch Lancashire.	Tbc.
Update on 'Better Care Together' Review of Local Health Services.	Lancashire North Clinical Commissioning Group.	Tbc.
Leisure Uses of Morecambe Bay.	Chief Executive.	Tbc.
Results of the review of PACT meetings.	Lancashire Police.	Tbc.
Annual consideration of Community Safety.	Chief Officer (Environment).	November 2014.
Annual consideration of Older People's Issues (inviting Age UK and other relevant agencies).	Chief Executive.	January 2015.

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### **Briefing Notes**

Matter for consideration	Date requested	Officer responsible	Date Circulated
Information on cleaning of Stonework on Lancaster Museum.	10 <sup>th</sup> April 2013	Head of Resources	

Cabinet Member and area of responsibility	Link Member	<u>Date of O&amp;S</u> <u>Meeting</u>
Cllr Eileen Blamire - Leader	Cllr David Kerr	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2013
Cllr Janice Hanson	Cllr Roger Dennison	
Cllr Abbott Bryning	Cllr Joan Jackson	
Cllr Ron Sands	Cllr Caroline Jackson	9 <sup>th</sup> October 2013
Cllr Karen Leytham	Cllr Jane Parkinson	10 <sup>th</sup> July 2013
Cllr David Smith	Cllr Mark Bevan	6 <sup>th</sup> November 2013
Cllr Jon Barry	Cllr Ian Pattison	2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2013
Cllr Tim Hamilton-Cox	Cllr David Whitaker	30 <sup>th</sup> April 2014

### INFORMAL TASK GROUPS

Task Group Topic	Date	Progress
Public Realm Complaints	Nov 2013	Meeting taken place - report to O&S Committee in April.

### Scoping of Task Groups

Task Group Topic	Date	Progress
None.	-	-