

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Work Programme Report

8th July 2015

Report of Chief Officer (Governance)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

For Members to consider the Committee's Work Programme for the ensuing year and response regarding health scrutiny.

This report is public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That the Committee consider the Work Programme for the ensuing year.
- (2) That the Committee considers its response regarding health scrutiny.
- (3) That the Committee considers inviting the Leader of the Council to a future meeting of the Committee.

1. Introduction

Members are requested to consider the Work Programme for the ensuing year.

2. Updates

Requests for suggestions for Work Programme

At the beginning of each Municipal Year, suggestions are invited from Members and officers on ideas for this year's Work Programme. The views of the public are also sought through a press release.

An updated Work Programme with actions from the last meeting is attached at Appendix A.

Management Team has been requested to suggest items and consider the issues that could be referred to the Committee received from members of the public and also issues submitted by City Councillors. These will be reported to the Committee.

The Committee is asked to consider its Work Programme for the forthcoming year in line with the City Council's Corporate Priorities.

Health Scrutiny

At the last meeting the Committee, whilst considering its Work Programme report, requested:-

Work Programme Item	Decision
Carers visiting older people in their own homes and how the carers were trained, monitored and employed.	Remove from the Work Programme and request Councillor Hartley to raise this issue at the County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee.
Monitoring of Older People's Homes both private and public.	Remove from the Work Programme and request Councillor Hartley to raise this issue at the County Council's Health Scrutiny Committee.

As the City Council's Health Scrutiny representative Councillor Hartley has raised this issue with the County Council. He has been advised that: -

The topics of carers and old people's homes are still quite extensive in terms of scrutiny. A representative from the Committee has been invited to attend a County Council Steering Group meeting to discuss this in more detail.

Before being able to consider an item for the work plan the Steering Group will need to know what particular aspect of those topics are felt in need of scrutinising and why, with any evidence to support the concerns.

The next available dates to meet with the Steering Group are as follows: -

3rd August – 3.00pm
14th September – 2.00pm
5th October – 2.00pm

All meetings are held in County Hall, Preston.

Members are requested to consider this issue further.

Leader of the Council

An invitation has been submitted to the Leader of the Council, in accordance with the wishes of the Committee, to attend this meeting. Unfortunately, the Leader has been unable to attend and has sent her apologies. The Committee is asked whether it would like to invite the Leader to a meeting later in the year.

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

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

MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

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

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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