

BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

Budget and Performance Panel – Work Programme

20th September 2023

Joint report of Chief Officers Finance and Governance

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To consider the Panel's Work Programme.

This report is public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Members note the updated Work Programme, as detailed in Appendix A.
- (2) That the Committee consider and agree what is to be included in the Committee's Work Programme.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Committee is responsible for setting its own annual Work Programme within the terms of reference, as set out in the Council's Constitution.
- 1.2 Members are requested to consider the Work Programme attached at Appendix A and also consider the updates set out below. Also attached at Appendix B are the Terms of Reference of the Panel.

2. Updates

- 2.1 In accordance with the Constitution all Councillors, the Chief Executive and the public have been asked for issues that should be considered for inclusion in the Scrutiny Work Programme. Comments were then obtained on the issues from Senior Leadership Team and the following item is within the Terms of Reference of the Panel and has been referred for consideration as part of the Panel's forthcoming Work Programme.

we need to be able to scrutinise the Outcomes Based Resourcing work - so councillors can better understand how much different things cost and have a chance to explore the relationship between services and their costs.

The Panel is asked to consider the referral.

3. Training

Treasury Management

- 3.1 The CIPFA Treasury Management Code requires the responsible officer (Chief Officer Resources) to ensure that Members with responsibility for Treasury Management receive adequate training. This especially applies to Councillors responsible for scrutiny in the Council's case, Budget & Performance Panel.
- 3.2 Teams training has been provisionally booked with our Treasury Management advisors, Link Asset Services ahead of the Panels meeting December 7th. This will enable the Panel to effectively scrutinise the 2023/24 Mid-Year review report due to be presented at that meeting ahead of the Annual Treasury Management 2024/25 14th February 2024.

Budget & Project Monitoring (Delivering Our Priorities)

- 3.3 A key role of the Budget & Performance Panel ensuring effective scrutiny of the Councils financial and non-financial performance. Operational and Navigational training on the spreadsheets used to produce the quarterly Delivering Our Priorities (DoP) mid-September 2023
- 3.4 Introductory Capital Financing is being delivered to Cabinet September/ October and will be rolled out to B&PP members in due course.
- 3.5 In addition Members may wish to suggest additional training or request areas for closer scrutiny in line with the Panel's Terms of Reference at Appendix B.

RELATIONSHIP TO POLICY FRAMEWORK

There are no direct implications as a result of this report.

CONCLUSION OF IMPACT ASSESSMENT

(including Health & Safety, Equality & Diversity, Human Rights, Community Safety, Sustainability and Rural Proofing)

There are no direct implications as a result of this report.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 9 (a) advises that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Budget and Performance Panel will be responsible for setting their own Annual Work Programme within the Terms of Reference set out in Part 2, Section 5, 9 and 10 of the Constitution.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications as a direct result of this report. Any further reports on specific issues contained within the Work Programme will require further consideration of the financial implications.

OTHER RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS, such as Human Resources; Information Services; Property; Open Spaces:

None.

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The S151 officer has been consulted and has no comments to make.

MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

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

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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