

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Work Programme, Training and Appointment Report

1st August 2024

Report of Chief Officer - Governance

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The Committee is requested to consider its Work Programme for 2024/25, feedback on scrutiny training recently provided and note the scrutiny representative appointed to the Mainway Project Board.

This report is public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) That Members consider the report.

1. Introduction

1.1 The Committee is requested to consider its Work Programme for 2024/25, feedback on scrutiny training that has been recently provided by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny (CfGS) and note the scrutiny representative appointed to the Mainway Project Board.

2. Work Programme

2.1 Rule 9 of the Constitution, set out below, advises of the process to be undertaken to consider and prioritise its Work Programme.

Rule 9 - Work Programme

(a) 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 this Constitution.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall write to all Councillors and the Chief Executive and ask the public for issues that should be considered for inclusion in the Scrutiny Work Programme. A meeting to be arranged with the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Chair of Budget and Performance Panel, the Pre-Scrutiny Champion and members of the Council's Leadership Team. This meeting will allow a preliminary prioritisation of submissions to be conducted and report back to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This being subject to the arrangements for consulting on future Work Programme items as set out in the Constitution continuing and the Work Programme being finally agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

- (b) The Overview and Scrutiny Committee shall meet in its capacity as crime and disorder committee no less than once in every twelve-month period.
- 2.2 In accordance with the Constitution items were requested and a meeting with the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Chair of Budget and Performance Panel, the Pre-Scrutiny Champion and members of the Council's Leadership Team to consider these was arranged and a preliminary prioritisation has been undertaken. The Committee is asked to consider the recommendations regarding the preliminary prioritisation of items and agree a Work Programme for the current municipal year.
3. **Scrutiny Training**
- 3.1 Scrutiny training has been provided by Camilla de Bernhardt Lane, Centre for Governance and Scrutiny (CfGS), on 17th July 2024. Members of the Committee are asked to provide any feedback and advise whether any further training is needed.
4. **Appointment to the Mainway Project Board**
- 4.1 The Committee is asked to note the appointment of Councillor Chris Hanna as the scrutiny representative on the Mainway Project Board.

Conclusion

- 5.1 The Committee is asked to consider the recommendations regarding the preliminary prioritisation of the Work Programme, any feedback on scrutiny training and note appointment of a scrutiny representative on to the Mainway Project Board.

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