

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Work Programme Report

21st January 2026

Report of Chief Officer - Governance

PURPOSE OF REPORT

The Committee is requested to consider its Work Programme report.

This report is public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) That Members consider the updated Work Programme.

1. Introduction

1.1 The Committee is responsible for setting its own annual Work Programme within its terms of reference, set out in the Council's Constitution. Members are requested to consider the report.

2. Work Programme

2.1 Rule 9 of the Constitution advises of the process to be undertaken to consider and prioritise scrutiny Work Programmes. This has now been undertaken, and a report was submitted for consideration at the last meeting of the Committee.

3. Updates

3.1 Care Quality Commission Assessment

A reply has now been received from the Executive Director of Adult Services regarding the Care Quality Commission Assessment and this has now been scheduled for the Committee's meeting on 4th February 2026. All City Councillors will be invited to attend the Overview and Scrutiny meeting to allow them all to be briefed.

3.2 Budget and Performance Panel Budget Consultation Meeting

The date for the above has been scheduled for 3rd February 2026 commencing at 6.00pm at Morecambe Town Hall. All Councillors will be invited to attend and the meeting will be live streamed.

3.3 Community Resilience and Emergency Planning

At the last meeting of the Committee Members considered the suggestion to add Community Resilience/ Emergency Planning to the Committee's Work Programme and agreed to put forward this request to the Chief Executive in accordance with the Council Constitution.

The Committee is asked whether there are any specific areas and how the Committee wish for these to be covered, the areas to be scrutinised together with expected outcomes.

A link to LGA guidance is provided below:

[A councillor's guide to civil resilience | Local Government Association](#)

3.4 Flooding in Lancaster

In accordance with Minute 34 the Chair of this Committee has liaised with officers and a letter has been emailed to County Councillor Joshua Roberts, Cabinet Member for Rural Affairs, Environment and Communities, with a copy of the letter emailed to all Lancaster Division County Councillors.

3.5 Attached at Appendix 1 is the Committee's Work Programme.

4. Conclusion

4.1 The Committee is asked to consider the updates set out in the report.

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

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

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

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

None.

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.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.

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