

BUSINESS SUPPORT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

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WORK PROGRAMME

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1 Purpose of item

- 1.1 The item advises Members of the current work programme and allows them to adjust it in the light of latest priorities, issues and circumstances. It gives Members the opportunity to shape and direct the Committee's activities over the year.

2 Recommendations

- 2.1 That Members consider whether any changes need to be made to the work programme and whether to add any items from the Cabinet's forward plan as pre-decision scrutiny.
- 2.2. To note that the item on the developer contributions guide has been delayed to a date to be agreed as set out in paragraph 3.3 below.

3 Agenda planning meeting

- 3.1. Members will be aware that Overview and Scrutiny Committees hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. These give officers greater guidance on information Members wish them to provide when scrutinising an issue.
- 3.2. On 23 February 2007 an agenda planning meeting took place where the current work programme was considered.
- 3.3. It was noted that the item on the developer contributions guide would need to be delayed to a date to be agreed. The reason for delay is that the Primary Care Trust is finalising its development contributions model which needs to be linked into Medway Council's report. It is hoped that this will be completed shortly. The sustainability appraisal, which must accompany Medway's Guide, should be completed by the end of March.

4 Cabinet Forward Plan

- 4.1. The key decisions identified in the Cabinet's forward plan that fall within the remit of this Committee are all being considered by the Committee with the exception of the gender equality scheme which is scheduled for 3 April 2007. As this Committee does not meet again until after this has been considered by the Cabinet there is insufficient time for it to be programmed as pre-decision scrutiny.

5 Legal and financial implications

- 5.1 There are no financial or legal implications arising from this report.

6 Background papers

- 6.1. None

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