

REGENERATION, COMMUNITY AND CULTURE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

16 FEBRUARY 2010

WORK PROGRAMME

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Summary

The item advises the Committee of the current work programme and enables adjustments to be made in light of latest priorities, issues and circumstances. It gives Members the opportunity to shape and direct the Committee's activities over the year.

1. Budget and Policy Framework

- 1.1 Under Chapter 4 – Rules, paragraph 22.1 (v) General terms of reference, each overview and scrutiny committee has the responsibility for setting its own work programme.

2. Background

- 2.1 Appendix 1 to this report sets out the existing work programme for the Committee.

3. Agenda planning meeting

- 3.1 Members will be aware that Overview and Scrutiny Committees usually hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. These give officers greater guidance on information Members wish them to provide when scrutinising an issue. An agenda planning did not take place for this meeting as liaison on the principle items of business for this meeting took place via e-mail. The Vice-Chairman has separately agreed an officer request to defer LAA performance monitoring until March to ensure all performance data from partners had been scrutinised by the relevant Local Strategic Partnership theme partnership and councillors

are given the most up to date information on actions planned to ensure the targets are met.

4 Future work programme

Cabinet's Forward Plan

- 4.1 There have been no new items added to the Forward Plan since the last meeting of this Committee, which are not already on the work programme or have already been considered. An updated Forward Plan is due to be published after the despatch of this agenda and prior to the meeting, so officers will report any additions verbally at the meeting.
- 4.2 A report on the Gun Wharf Masterplan, Chatham will be considered at Cabinet on 16 February 2010 which advises that the result of the consultation will be reported to this committee on 1 June 2010 to allow the committee to add its own comments before it is considered at Cabinet on 8 June 2010. This is in accordance with decision 187/2006 made by Cabinet on 25 September 2010:

“The Cabinet instructed officers, as a matter of policy, that all future development briefs are subject to pre-decision scrutiny by the Regeneration and Development Overview and Scrutiny Committee.”

5 Legal and financial implications

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

6 Recommendations

- 6.1 Members are requested to:
- (a) consider the Committee's current workload and identify items for inclusion in the work programme set out at appendix A;
 - (b) note that the LAA performance monitoring report has been deferred for consideration until 18 March 2010;
 - (c) note that a report on the result of the consultation process for the Gun Wharf Masterplan, Chatham will be added to the work programme for the June meeting.

Background papers

None.

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Work Programme
Regeneration, Community & Culture Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Policy framework documents: Community Safety Plan, Local Transport Plan and plans and other strategies which together comprise the Development Plan

Item	Work type	Responsible officer	Objectives	Timescale
Attendance of the Leader of the Council to be held to account - regeneration	Executive accountability	Brian Weddell, Assistant Director Medway Renaissance	To hold the Leader to account for executive decision-making with regard to regeneration.	16 February 2010
Attendance of the Portfolio Holder for Community Services	Executive accountability	Richard Hicks, Assistant Director Customer First, Leisure, Culture, Democracy and governance	To hold the Portfolio Holder to account for executive decision-making.	16 February 2010
Scrutiny of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP)	Performance management	Caroline Salisbury, Overview and Scrutiny Co-ordinator	To scrutinise the performance of the CSP over the past year.	16 February 2010
Attendance of the Portfolio Holder for Strategic Development and Economic Growth	Executive accountability	Stephen Gaimster, Assistant Director Development, Economy and Transport	To hold the Portfolio Holder to account for executive decision-making.	18 March 2010
Council Plan monitoring - 3 rd quarter	Performance monitoring	Abi Cooper, Research and Review Manager	To scrutinise the performance against targets in the Council Plan, for the third quarter.	18 March 2010
Gateway 3 Contract Award – waste disposal and collection service	Service information	Andy McGrath, Assistant Director, Frontline Services	To receive an update position in regard to the award of the contract.	18 March 2010
LAA performance monitoring	Performance monitoring	Yvonne Wilson, LSP Manager	To consider an update report on LAA performance.	18 March 2009

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Medway Renaissance – all Chatham and Gillingham projects (including Medway Park)	Performance monitoring	Wendy Mesher, Medway Renaissance Support and Strategy Manager	To consider detailed performance monitoring reports on these projects.	18 March 2010
Member's item: Winter gritting schedule	Member's item	Andy McGrath, Assistant Director Frontline Services	Request for details of the winter gritting schedule and associated deployment of contractor's resources.	18 March 2010
Rochester Riverside Management Company	Pre-decision scrutiny	Sarah Beck, Medway Renaissance	To consider this matter prior to decision by Cabinet.	18 March 2010
Air Quality Management Action Plan – outcome of consultation	Pre-decision scrutiny	Andy McGrath, Assistant Director, Frontline Services	To consider the consultation responses and refer any comments onto Cabinet for determination.	To be confirmed
Waste Strategy Review	Pre-decision scrutiny	Andy McGrath, Assistant Director, Frontline Services	To consider the Waste Strategy Review before it is reported to Cabinet.	To be confirmed

Future meeting dates:

16 February and 18 March 2010

Work completed in 2009/2010

13 January 2010

- Petition referral – request for traffic calming in Station Road, Strood
- Parking Standards Review
- Draft capital and revenue budget proposals 2010/2011

2 December 2009

- A masterplan for central Strood
- Attendance of the Portfolio Holder for Front Line Services
- Council Plan monitoring – 2nd quarter
- Local Development Framework Annual Monitoring Report

- Petition referral – request for free parking in specified car parks in Rochester after 7pm
- Petition referral – request for traffic calming in Station Road, Rainham
- Quality Public Transport Corridors Project
- Twydall Accessibility Scheme

21 October 2009

- Attendance of the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Enforcement
- Member's item: New household waste collection service
- Member's item: Ward parking reviews
- Disabled Parking Bays Task Group
- Petition referral – request for traffic calming in Higham Road, Wainscott
- Local Transport Plan 3 (LTP3)
- Maidstone Road Sports Ground - update
- Increasing Adult Participation in Sport (N18)
- Chatham dynamic bus facility revised scheme

27 August 2009

- Council Plan monitoring - 1st quarter
- Cultural Strategy
- LAA performance
- Members' Item: Road resurfacing programme
- Future provisions – scrutiny of crime and disorder

7 July 2009

- Petitions (Maidstone Road Sports Ground, Chatham)
- A master plan for Central Strood
- Rochester Castle Conservation Plan
- Contracts for the collection and disposal of waste
- Audit Commission Regeneration Inspection feedback
- Regeneration Framework 2009 – six month progress report
- Work programme