

REGENERATION, COMMUNITY AND CULTURE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

31 JANUARY 2012

WORK PROGRAMME

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Summary

This 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.

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 A 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 hold agenda planning meetings on a regular basis. These give officers guidance on information Members wish them to provide when scrutinising an issue. An agenda planning meeting was held on 17 January 2012.

3.2 The Chairman was later informed that a report due to be submitted to this meeting with regard to the increase in powers for Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) would now be sent to Members of the committee by way of a Briefing Note which can be viewed at:
<http://www.medway.gov.uk/pdf/Briefing%20Note%2002-12.pdf>

4. Future work programme

4.1 Cabinet's Forward Plan

There are no new items that have been added to the Forward Plan within the remit of this committee.

5. Financial and legal implications

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

6. Recommendations

6.1 The committee is asked to consider whether any changes or additions need to be made to the current work programme shown at Appendix A;

Background papers.

None.

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Work Programme
Regeneration, Community and 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
Kent Fire and Rescue Service – update	Service information	Steve Griffiths, Kent Fire and Rescue	Update on what has changed in the provision of services and the improvements achieved.	31 January 2012
Probation service – prevention of future generations offending	Service information	Maurice O'Reilly, Kent Probation	Report on the work undertaken with families to prevent future generations offending.	31 January 2012
Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Customer Contact – in attendance	Holding to account		The Portfolio Holder will be invited to give a presentation on work carried out in his portfolio, in the remit of this committee, and answer any questions	31 January 2012
Community Infrastructure Levy	Service information	Stephen Gaimster, Assistant Director Development, Economy and Transport	This report will update the committee about the power to raise funds from developers to fund infrastructure	31 January 2012
Council Plan – 3 rd quarter monitoring 2011/2012	Scrutiny of performance/budget	Anna-Marie Lawrence-Lovell, Performance Manager	To consider the Council Plan – 3 rd quarter monitoring 2011/2012	3 April 2012
The Leader, in his role as Portfolio Holder for Inward Investment and Strategic Tourism Promotion and Regeneration – in attendance	Holding to account		The Leader will be invited to give a presentation on work carried out in his role as Portfolio Holder for Inward Investment and Strategic Tourism Promotion and Regeneration, and answer any questions	3 April 2012

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Community Safety Plan 2012-2013 – annual refresh	Pre-decision scrutiny	Neil Howlett, Community Safety Partnership Manager and Tim England, Head of Safer Communities	This report will provide an update on the changes to the Community Safety Plan setting out the priorities for 2012-2013	3 April 2012
End of year performance report 2011/2012	Scrutiny of performance/budget	Anna-Marie Lawrence-Lovell, Performance Manager	To consider the end of year Council Plan monitoring for 2011/2012	Summer 2012
Using the River Medway to its full potential	Service information		This report follows a referral from the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 23 June 2011	To be confirmed

Future meeting dates:

31 January and 3 April 2012

Work completed in 2011/12:16 June 2011

- End of year performance report 2010/2011
- Petition referral
- Six month update on progress of the recommendations of the PACT review
- Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Plan
- Annual scrutiny of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP)
- Flood and Water Management Act 2010 and Water Regulations 2009

10 August 2011

- Quarter 1 council Plan monitoring 2011/2012
- Highway Winter Services task group - update
- Attendance of Portfolio Holder for Front Line Services
- Flood and Water Management Act 2010 – preliminary flood risk assessment for Medway

4 October 2011

- Local Development Framework (LDF) – Core Strategy
- Interim Medway Housing Design Standards
- Lodge Hill Development Brief
- Members' Item: Pavement resurfacing – water meter replacement

13 December 2011

- Council Plan – 2nd quarter monitoring 2011-2012
- Review of the waste contracts (to include any known problems in the future, such as the provision and cost of recycling bags)
- Portfolio Holder for Housing and Community Services – in attendance
- Portfolio Holder for Strategic Development and Economic Growth – in attendance
- Proposed draft revenue and capital budget 2012/2013
- Petitions