

**Corporate Overview and Scrutiny
Management Board**

2 September 2021

**Information update from the Chairs of
the Overview and Scrutiny Committees**



Report of Paul Darby, Corporate Director of Resources (Interim)

Electoral division(s) affected:

Countywide

Purpose of the Report

- 1 To present to members an information update of overview and scrutiny activity from June 2021 – September 2021.

Executive summary

- 2 This report sets out a chairs' update of all scrutiny activity for the period from the start of this municipal year up to September 2021.
- 3 The report is for information only and will be submitted to all Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Boards.

Recommendation(s)

- 4 Members are invited to receive the report and note the information.

Background

- 5 Members of the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (COSMB) are encouraged to be involved in any area of overview and scrutiny activity via thematic committees and talk to scrutiny committee chairs and overview and scrutiny officers on areas of project and overview activity.

Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Management Board (COSMB)

Update on Previous Reviews	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period.
Scrutiny Review Activity	<p>A special COSMB meeting was held on 28 July 2021 to enable the Board to contribute to a review by Cabinet of the options for the future storage, care and display of the Durham Light Infantry Collection, archive, museum buildings and grounds.</p> <p>A report containing the comments from the special COSMB meeting will be reported to Cabinet as part of their review to be considered on 29 September 2021.</p>
Overview reports/ Presentations	<p>COSMB on 18 June 2021 received reports on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q3 & Q4 2020/21 Council's use of powers under RIPA • Q4 2020/21 Customer Feedback • State of the County report 2021/22 • Refresh of the Work Programme • Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2020/21 • Update on Petitions • Notice of key decisions

Adults, Wellbeing and Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (AWH OSC)

Update on Previous Reviews	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period.
Scrutiny Review Activity	No scrutiny review activity currently identified.
Overview reports/ Presentations	<p>AWH OSC on 28 July 2021 received reports and presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adult Social Care Overview and Update • Public Health Overview and Update • Shotley Bridge Hospital Update • Local Outbreak Management Plan Update • Health Protection Assurance • Q4 2020/21 Performance Management • NHS Foundation Trusts Quality Accounts 2020/21 • Refresh of the Work Programme

Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Committee (CYP OSC)

Update on Previous Reviews	There are no systematic reviews to report for this period.
Scrutiny Review Activity	No scrutiny review activity currently identified
Overview reports/ Presentations	<p>The CYP OSC on 23 July 2021 received reports and presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Children and Young People's Services Overview • Children, Young People and Families Partnership Overview • Q4 2020/21 Performance Management • Refresh of the Work Programme

Economy and Enterprise Overview and Scrutiny Committee (E&E OSC)

Update on Previous Reviews	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period.
Scrutiny Review Activity	No scrutiny review activity currently identified.
Overview reports/ Presentations	<p>A meeting of the E&E OSC on 21 July 2021 considered reports and presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduction to Regeneration, Economy and Growth Service • Q4 Performance Management • Refresh of the Work programme • Minutes of the County Durham Economic Partnership meeting 5 May 2021

Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee (E&S OSC)

Update on Previous Reviews	There are no systematic reviews to report for this period.
Scrutiny Review Activity	No scrutiny review activity currently identified
Overview reports/ Presentations	<p>ESC OSC on 16 July 2021 received reports and presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighborhoods and Climate Change – Overview • Environment and Climate Change Partnership – Overview • Q4 Performance Management 2021/21 • Refresh of the Work Programme <p>In addition, a briefing report updating on the activities undertaken by the Community Action Team (CAT) together with the full programme of visits planned for 2021-2023 was circulated to members of ESC & S&S OSCs for comment and questions.</p>

Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee (SSC OSC)

Update on Previous Reviews	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period
Scrutiny Review Activity	The Committee agreed its work programme to include focused activity on the partnership approach to tackling arson within the east Durham area.
Overview reports/ Presentations	<p>SSC OSC on 9 July 2021 received reports and presentations on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Q4 Performance Management • Safe Durham Partnership Plan • Refresh of the Work Programme

Regional Scrutiny

- 6 A meeting of the Joint Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee for North East and North Cumbria Integrated Care System and North and Central Integrated Care Partnership was held on 28 June 2021. Agenda items discussed at the meeting included:
- Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair of the Committee
 - Joint OSC Protocol and Terms of Reference
 - ICS response to the OSC Questions on the Government White Paper on the future direction of the NHS/ICS
 - Update on the Government White Paper on the future direction of the NHS/ICS
 - Provisional work programme.
- 7 The next meetings of the NECA Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the NECA & North of Tyne CA Joint Transport Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee are due to be held on 14 October 2021.

Conclusion

- 13 This report contains the key issues considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committees for the period June – September 2021 and is provided for members information only.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Legal Implications

N/A.

Finance

N/A.

Climate Change

Any climate change implications will be included in individual reports to the appropriate scrutiny committee.

Consultation

N/A.

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

N/A.

Human Rights

N/A.

Crime and Disorder

N/A.

Staffing

N/A.

Accommodation

N/A.

Risk

N/A.

Procurement

N/A.