

Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee

20 June 2014

Council Plan 2014-2017- Refresh of the Work Programme



Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive

Purpose of the Report

1. To provide for Members consideration an updated work programme for the Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2014 - 15.

Background

2. At its meeting on 3 April 2014, the Committee considered the actions identified within the Council Plan 2014 – 2017 for the Altogether Safer priority theme and agreed to refresh its work programme to include a number of these actions. In addition topics have also been identified that are inline the Council Plan, Cabinet's Forward Plan of decisions, Sustainable Community Strategy, Safe Durham Partnership Plan and strategies, performance and changes in Government legislation, namely Police Reform and Social Responsibility Act.

Detail

3. In accordance with this decision, a work programme for 2014 – 2015 has been prepared and attached in Appendix 2. It is to note that the work programme is to be flexible to enable additional items to be accommodated throughout the year.
4. Members also requested to undertake review activity in relation to the impact of substance misuse centres and re-offending. Following consideration of the presentation and report on Drug Treatment Centres Members may wish to consider an alternative topic for review.

Recommendation

5. Members of the Committee are asked to agree its work programme in Appendix 2 and if required, suggest topics for scrutiny investigation.

Background Papers

'Council Plan 2014-2017- Refresh of the Work Programme' – Safer and Stronger Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meeting held on 3 April 2014

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Appendix 1: Implications

Finance – None

Staffing – None

Risk - None

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty – None

Accommodation - None

Crime and Disorder – The Committee’s Work Programme is to provide challenge and contribute to the Altogether Safer element of the Council Plan 2014 -2017.

Human Rights – None

Consultation – None

Procurement – None

Disability Issues – None

Legal Implications – None

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2014 - 2015

<p>OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2014 - 2015</p> <p>Safer and Stronger Communities OSC</p> <p>Lead Officer: Tom Gorman</p> <p>Overview and Scrutiny Officer: Jonathan Slee</p> <p>IPG contact: Peter Appleton</p>	<p>Note:</p> <p>O/S Review - A systematic 6 monthly review of progress against recommendations/Action Plan</p> <p>Scrutiny/Working Group – In depth Review</p> <p>Overview/progress – information on an issue; opportunity to comment, shape, influence, progress with a scrutiny review</p> <p>Performance – ongoing monitoring (quarterly) performance reports/budgets</p>
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	Date of O/S Review	Start Date	End Date	Who	Outcome	Comment
O/S Review						
Road Safety for Children & Young People	2013	September 2013		Brian Buckley Graeme Greig	To follow up recommendations following the Committee's review.	
Neighbourhood Wardens	2014	September 2014		Ian Hoult	To follow up recommendations following the Committee's review.	
Scrutiny/Working Group						
Future review group topic to be identified and agreed at June OSC meeting	2014					

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Overview/Progress						
Safe Durham Partnership Strategic Assessment & Partnership Plan		June 2013	Ongoing	Peter Appleton	To receive and comment on the SDP Strategic Assessment and Partnership Plan	<i>Key strategic document, Committee provided commented throughout development of the Safe Durham Partnership plan.</i>
Review of Drug Treatment Services and impact on re-offending		June 2014	Ongoing	Mark Harrison Lynne Wilson	To consider information as part of review activity looking at the impact of treatment and its impact on re-offending	<i>Identified following consideration of work programme at the April 2014 OSC meeting.</i>
Road Casualty Reduction Forum		September 2014		Dave Wafer	To receive information providing an overview of work undertaken and campaign for 2014/15	<i>Identified within the Safe Durham Partnership plan and linked to outcomes of the Committee's review of Road Safety Children and Young People</i>
Responsibilities and powers to address car parking within communities		September 2014		Dave Wafer/Durham Constabulary	To raise awareness of responsibilities to address car parking issues within communities.	<i>Identified from previous review of Neighbourhood Wardens</i>
ASB, Crime and Policing Act 2014		October 2014		Caroline Duckworth/ASB Thematic Lead	To receive information providing an overview of the Act identifying how this is to be implemented for the Council.	
Community Safety Confidence Plans		October 2014		Caroline Duckworth/ASB Thematic Lead	To receive a report on the introduction of community safety confidence plans	Identified within the Altogether Safer element of the Council Plan

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Reducing Re-offending strategy		TBC		Re-offending lead	To receive a report on a refresh of the reducing re-offending strategy and activity of the thematic group.	
Domestic Abuse Delivery Plan 2014-17		January 2015		Peter Appleton	Report providing update on actions within the Plan	
Multi-Agency Partnerships		January 2015		Peter Appleton	To receive a progress report on implementation of the revised MAPs process	<i>Committee received presentation and provided commented following its meeting in April 2013</i>
County Durham Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy		February 2015		Public Health	Progress report on delivery of the Alcohol Harm Reduction Strategy	
Consumer Protection – enforcement activity		February 2015		Owen Cleugh	Progress report on intelligence led enforcement activity in relation to reduce door step crime, rogue traders and supply of illicit, counterfeit and age restricted products	
County Durham & Darlington Fire Service – Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP)		September 2014		Stuart Errington	Provide comment to the Fire Service’s IRMP consultation.	

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Performance						
Performance 2013/14 Quarter 4		June 2014		Peter Appleton	Members are to consider quarterly reports detailing performance against indicators within the Council's Altogether Safer theme. Members may wish to comment both on areas of good performance and areas that are below target.	The report is to also provide an opportunity to identify topics within the Committee's work programme and have been key factors to undertake review activity.
Performance 2014/15 Quarter 1		September 2014				
Quarter 2		January 2015				
Quarter 3		April 15				
Quarter 4		TBC				