Corporate Issues Overview and Scrutiny Committee



16 July 2015

Review of the Committee's Work Programme 2015-16

Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive

Purpose of the Report

1 To provide for Members consideration an updated work programme for the Corporate Issues Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2015-16.

Background

2 At its meeting on 20 April 2015, the Corporate Issues O/S Committee considered the actions identified within the Council Plan 2015-18 for the Altogether Better Council priority theme and agreed to refresh its work programme to include a number of these actions.

Detail

- 3 In accordance with this decision, a work programme for 2015-16 has been prepared, which is attached at Appendix 2.
- 4 Members are requested to also identify any possible areas of scrutiny investigation, (in-depth and light touch reviews). Members may recall, at the CIOSC meeting of 20 April, discussions highlighted that:
 - the MTFP is the ongoing area of major focus and that early involvement is important.
 - the planned review of attendance management will be an important area of focus.
- 5 Subsequent discussion between the Chair of the Corporate Issues Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet members has highlighted that in addition to updates already planned on the Customer First Strategy, there is potential identified for a follow on scrutiny exercise.

Recommendation

6 Members of the Committee are asked to agree the attached work programme.

Background papers

Council Plan 2015 -18. Corporate Issues OSC Report 20 April 2015 – Council Plan 2015-18 – Refresh of the Work Programme for the Corporate Issues Scrutiny Committee.

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Appendix 1: Implications

Finance

The Council Plan sets out the corporate priorities of the Council for the next 3 years. The Medium Term Financial Plan aligns revenue and capital investment to priorities within the Council Plan.

Staffing

None

Risk

None

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty

None

Accommodation

None

Crime and Disorder None

Human Rights

None

Consultation

None

Procurement

None

Disability Issues

None

Legal Implications

None.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME	Note:		
2015 TO 2017 Corporate Issues Overview and Scrutiny Committee (CIOSC)	O/S Review – A systematic 6 monthly review of progress against recommendations/Action Plan		
Lead Officer: Jenny Haworth	Scrutiny/Working Group – In-depth Review/Light Touch Review Overview/progress – information on an issue; opportunity to comment, shape, influence, progress with a scrutiny review		
IPG contact: Jeff Garfoot/Paul Darby			
	Performance/Budget – ongoing monitoring (quarterly) performance reports/budgets		

	When	Who	Outcome	Comment
O/S Review				
Customer First Strategy	28 September 2015	Alan Patrickson	To follow up on the recommendations of this review	To provide updates on progress and allow discussion around a potential future scrutiny review relating to Improving Customer Relationship Management.
Scrutiny/Working Group (Light Touch/In-depth review)				
Attendance Management Policy	May – Nov 2015	J Haworth S Gwillym Kim Jobson	To enable Scrutiny Members to have input into the Attendance Management Policy	Task and Finish Group – objectives: improved management performance and absence levels

Budget and MTFP process Improving efficiency and value for money	Sept 2015 – March 2016 Dates to be confirmed	Jeff Garfoot/ J Haworth	To enable scrutiny Members to comment and feed into MTFP and DCC's budget setting process – and also monitor continuously as a priority for CIOSC (joint with OSMB)	A commissioned approach to look at any issues/reviews linked to achieving savings within the MTFP as and when requested Update reports considered by CIOSC
Overview/Progress				
Regulation of Investigatory Powers	2014/15 Annual Review -28 Sept 2015 2015/16 Q1 - 28 Sept 2015 2015/16 Q2 - 26 Jan 2016 2015/16 Q3 - 20 April 2016 2015/16 Annual Review - tbc	Colette Longbottom/Clare Burrows	To inform Members of the Council's use of powers under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 ('RIPA') on a quarterly basis	Members' information
Customer Feedback – Compliments, Complaints and Suggestions quarterly report	2014/15 Q4 – 23 July 2015 2015/16 Q1 – 28 Sept 2015	A Patrickson/Mary Readman	To inform Members of the Customer Feedback report on a quarterly basis	Members' information

	2015/16 Q2 – 26 Jan 2016 2015/16 Q3 – 20 April 2016 2015/16 Q4 - tbc			
Corporate Complaints Review	23 July 2015	Su Jordan	To inform Members of progress in improving complaints handling	Members' information
CAS Annual Representations Report	17 Nov 2015	Gill Ward/Clare McLaren	To inform Members of the key messages in relation to the management and handling of statutory representations of CAS	Members' information
ICT Strategy Update	17 Nov 2015	Phil Jackman	To regularly update Members on ICT services	Members' information

Performance/Budget			
Performance			
Quarter Reporting (Assistant Chief Executives and Resources)	Q4 2014/15 – 23 July 2015 Q1 2015/16 – 28 Sept 2015 Q2 2015/16 – 26 Jan 2016 Q3 2015/16 – 20 April 2016 Q4 – tbc	Jenny Haworth	Standing item
Budget Outturn Report Quarter Reporting (Assistant Chief Executives and Resources)	Q4 2014/15 and Q1 2015/16 – 28 Sept 2015 Q2 – 26 Jan 2016 Q3 – 20 April 2016 Q4 - tbc	Jeff Garfoot	Standing item