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Information update from the Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees

# **Report of Lorraine O'Donnell, Assistant Chief Executive**

# Purpose of the Report

1 To present to Members an information update of overview and scrutiny activity from October to December 2015.

### Background

2 As previously agreed, a written report of Chairs' updates will be presented for information only to all Overview and Scrutiny Management Boards. Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board are encouraged to get involved in any area of Overview and Scrutiny activity via thematic committees and/or talk to Scrutiny Committee Chairs and OS Officers on areas of project/overview activity.

### Updates

3 Updates from Overview and Scrutiny Committees from October to December 2015.

# **Corporate Issues Overview and Scrutiny Committee (CIOSC)**

Update on Previous Reviews	CIOSC OSC on 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 received an update on the recommendations of the Customer First Task and Finish Group Review.
Scrutiny Review Activity	CIOSC OSC on 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 commented upon and signed off the nine recommendations of the Attendance Management Review. This report will now be presented to Cabinet on 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2015. It was also agreed at the meeting on 17 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 that a light touch review of the new Customer Relationship Management System will take place between late January and March 2016, before its implementation in April 2016.
Overview reports/ Presentations	<ul> <li>CIOSC OSC on 17<sup>th</sup> November 2015 received reports and presentations on:</li> <li>Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 - Annual Review and Q2</li> <li>Q1 2015/16 Customer Feedback: Complaints, Compliments and Suggestions</li> <li>Children and Adults Service Annual Statutory Representations 2014/15.</li> </ul>

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Update on	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period.
Previous	
Reviews	
Scrutiny	20 mph Working Group on 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 met to consider:
Review Activity	
	The policy in relation to 20mph zones;
	Consultation, engagement and education
	Progress on the implementation of part-time schemes.
Overview reports/	SSC OSC on 27 October 2015 received reports and presentations on:
Presentations	Checkpoint
	Reducing the number of secondary deliberate fires
	Mental Health Crisis Care Concordat Local Action Plan Update
	Overview & Scrutiny Activity - Service Review of Drug Treatment
	Centres
	Police and Crime Panel
	Verbal updates on:
	<ul> <li>Reducing Alcohol Harm</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>o 20 mph Limits</li> </ul>
	Safe Durham Partnership update
Visits	SSC OSC Members attended:
	The Wisedrive Road Safety event on 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2015 at The Work Place Centre in Newton Aycliffe.
	• The Safety Carousel for Year 6 pupils covering risks of electric, fire, internet, road and water, on 10 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 at The Work Place Centre in Newton Aycliffe.
	<ul> <li>Site visit relating to the 20 mph Working Group Etherley Lane Primary School, Bishop Auckland on 24<sup>th</sup> November 2015.</li> </ul>

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

Update on	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period.
Previous	
Reviews	
Scrutiny	Skills development scrutiny review group on the 23 November 2015
Review Activity	considered:
-	• The terms of reference and project plan for the scrutiny review, and the current approach to skills development, key strategies and policies, the role of key partners and the current funding structure.

Overview reports/	E&E OSC on 29 October 2015 received reports/presentations on:
Presentations	<ul> <li>County Durham Plan Update</li> <li>Combined Authority Update</li> <li>Scrutiny of Housing Issues Update</li> <li>Scoping report for the scrutiny review of skills development supported by Durham County Council within County Durham</li> <li>Special E&amp;E OSC on the 16 November 2015 received an overview of:</li> <li>The Apprenticeship Offer within County Durham and agreed a series of recommendations aimed at improving the take up of Durham County Council apprenticeship funding and also mapping apprentices through their agreed apprenticeship.</li> </ul>

# Environment and Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Environment OSC)

Update on Previous	There are no systematic reviews to report on for this period.
Reviews Scrutiny Review Activity	Environment OSC on 9 <sup>th</sup> November 2015 received and agreed the recommendations of:
	Light Touch Review of Parking on Council Land
Overview reports/ Presentations	<ul> <li>Environment OSC on 9 November 2015 received reports/presentations on:</li> <li>Climate Change Strategy and Delivery Plan Update</li> <li>Winter Maintenance Policy Update</li> <li>Waste Programme Update</li> <li>Special Environment OSC on 1<sup>st</sup> December 2015 received a report/presentation on:</li> <li>Fuel poverty</li> </ul>

# Children and Young Peoples Overview and Scrutiny Committee (CYP OSC)

Update on Previous Reviews	<ul> <li>CYP OSC on 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2015 received an update on:</li> <li>Progress of Recommendations of Self Harm by Young People Review Report</li> </ul>
Scrutiny Review Activity	
Overview	CYP OSC 2 November 2015 received reports/presentations on:

reports/ Presentations	<ul> <li>Help and Support to Children and Young People with Autistic Spectrum Disorder</li> <li>Fixed Play Strategy Update</li> <li>Health and Wellbeing Board Annual Report 2014-15</li> <li>A Special Children and Young People's Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2015 received reports/presentations on:</li> <li>Welfare Reform</li> <li>Young Carers</li> <li>Educational Attainment</li> </ul>
Visits	In advance of Parliament week (16-22 November) which seeks to involve communities with democracy, and the 'Bite the Ballot' campaign, CYP OSC on 2 <sup>nd</sup> November 2015 took place at the Consett Academy where Members were able to tour the new campus at the end of the meeting.

# Adults, Well-being 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	
Overview reports/ Presentations	<ul> <li>AWH OSC on 4<sup>th</sup> November 2015 received reports/presentations on:</li> <li>Quality Accounts Updates - County Durham and Darlington NHS FT; Tees Esk and Wear Valleys NHS FT and North East Ambulance Service NHS FT</li> <li>North Durham CCG and Durham Dales, Easington and Sedgefield CCG Clear and Credible Plans Updates</li> <li>County Durham and Darlington NHS Foundation Trust - Care Quality Commission Inspection Report</li> <li>Public Health Update Report</li> <li>Special AWH OSC on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2015 will receive a report on proposals by Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys NHS Foundation Trust and the County Durham and Darlington CCGs to consult on the reconfiguration of Inpatient Beds for older people with Organic Illness (usually Dementia) within County Durham and Darlington.</li> </ul>

# Performance/Budget/Work Programme Reporting

4 Information on both performance and outturn reports continue to be received and commented upon.

### Recommendation

5 Members are invited to receive the report and note the information contained therein.

Background Papers: Previous committee reports/presentations.

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Finance – N/A

Staffing – N/A

Risk – N/A

Equality and Diversity / Public Sector Equality Duty – N/A

Accommodation – N/A

Crime and Disorder – N/A

Human Rights – N/A

Consultation – N/A

Procurement – N/A

**Disability Issues –** N/A

Legal Implications – N/A