



Scrutiny Board

15 December 2015

Report title	Scrutiny Work Programme 2015/16	
Cabinet member with lead responsibility	Councillor Paul Sweet Governance	
Wards affected	All	
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Report to be/has been considered by	Scrutiny Board	8 September 2015 3 November 2015

Recommendation(s) for action or decision:

The Scrutiny Board is recommended to:

- (1) Review and develop the Scrutiny Board Work Programme 2015-16 to take account of emerging issues and councillor suggestions
- (2) To allocate any cross cutting pieces of work

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 To update and agree the Scrutiny work programme for 2015-16.

2.0 Background

- 2.1 The remit of the Scrutiny Board was agreed by Annual Council 15 May 2013. This remit included the specific responsibility to oversee the operation of the call-in mechanisms and to oversee the work programmes of Scrutiny Panels to avoid duplication of work and to ensure coherence of approach to cross-cutting policy themes. The Board may determine that one named Panel shall take lead responsibility for a cross-cutting policy theme or may determine that the work be shared between one or more panels.

3.0 Work Programme Planning

- 3.1 The work programme (Appendix 1) is a working document which is reviewed at each agenda planning meeting to determine the timeliness and relevance of items for scrutiny. Any member can also ask for an item to be considered by Scrutiny. At each Scrutiny Board an updated work programme will be presented for discussion and agreement.
- 3.2 New items for consideration are highlighted in blue.

4.0 Financial implications

- 4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendations in this report. Within Governance, there is a scrutiny budget to support the investigation of issues highlighted by councillors through the work programmes of the panels and the reviews and inquiries.

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5.0 Legal implications

- 5.1 There are no direct legal implications arising from this report.

[RB/01122015/P]

6.0 Equalities implications

- 6.1 There are no direct equalities implications arising from this report.

7.0 Environmental implications

- 7.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from this report.

8.0 Human resources implications

8.1 There are no direct HR implications arising from this report.

9.0 Corporate landlord implications

9.1 There are no direct corporate landlord implications arising from this report.

10.0 Schedule of background papers

10.1 Report to Scrutiny Board agreeing the new method of agreeing the scrutiny work programme – 15 April 2014

Scrutiny work programme

Scrutiny Reviews 2015-16

- **Child Sexual Exploitation**

The Scrutiny Review Group 23.11.15 to consider evidence from Cabinet Member for Education. The review have two final evidence sessions planned:

- 30.11.15
- 10.12.15

Cllr Jaspal attended a CSE conference in London and also a review meeting in Birmingham to consider progress made in implementing recommendations from their review.

The review meeting on 10.12.15 will consider evidence from West Midlands Police and also agree draft findings and recommendations.

Meetings with representatives of the following organisations have been arranged:

- Wolverhampton CCG
- Independent School Representative on Wolverhampton Safeguarding Children Board

- **Electoral Registration and Participation**

The Scrutiny Review Group last met on 16 November 2015 to hear evidence from the Ethnic Minority Council and note the electoral participation and registration survey asking individuals their views.

The next meeting has been scheduled for 9 December, subject to confirmation, to hear from Wolverhampton Homes engagement group and the YMCA, among others. A final meeting will be scheduled for the New Year to consider all evidence received and collated to date and review possible recommendations.

The findings of the review will inform future work on increasing registration and participation and identify barriers for the council to address.

- **City of Wolverhampton Council Volunteering Offer**

The Scrutiny Review Group has held four meetings to gather evidence and carry out site visits to voluntary organisations. At the last meeting 18 November 2015 Councillors reviewed the evidence gathered at the previous meetings. The Review Group considered the findings from the evidence table in a round table discussion with representatives from Unison and the Wolverhampton Voluntary Sector Council (WVSC), Volunteer Centre. The Review Group identified their conclusions based on the evidence. At the next meeting 9 December 2015 the conclusions will be reported and recommendations to Cabinet will be agreed.

The draft report will be presented to the final meeting of the Review Group on 21 January 2016 and by Cabinet (23 March 2016). The findings of the review group will inform the City of Wolverhampton Council Volunteering Offer and the wider Wolverhampton Volunteering Strategy which will be considered by Cabinet on 16 May 2016.

Work programme

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Date	Work items
30 June 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Corporate Plan and Wolverhampton Way • The ICT and Digital Strategy • Work programme
21 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Performance Report - Quarter 4 2014/15 • Complaints Report - Quarter 4 2014/15 • Information Governance Performance Report – Quarter 4 2014/15
8 Sept 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tracking and monitoring of reviews <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Private Rented Sector Housing (DB) - Prevent (EPS) - First Impressions of the City • Complaints Report - Quarter 1 2015/16 • Work programme
3 Nov 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Information Governance Performance Report – Quarter 1 2015/16 • Welfare Reform, Unclaimed Benefits (DB) • Work programme
15 Dec 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Budget 2016/17 • Corporate Performance Report – Quarter 1 and 2 2015/16 • Information Governance Performance Report – Quarter 2 2015/16 • Complaints Report - Quarter 2 2015/16 • Work programme
19 Jan 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Task and finish report from Regulatory Services (Travellers and Gypsies) • Tracking and monitoring of reviews <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Employability and Skills • Review of Senior Officers role in C3 programme • Work programme
1 March 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Performance Report - Quarter 3 2015/16 • Complaints Report - Quarter 3 2015/16 • Tracking and monitoring of reviews <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infant Mortality (EPS) - Channel Shift (LG) • Information Governance Performance Report – Quarter 3 2015/16 • Work programme
26 April 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual report • Work programme

Adults and safer City

Date	Work items
14 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparing for the Prevent Duty Better Care technology and strengthening support at home (Pre-decision scrutiny)
22 Sept 2015	Safeguarding people in vulnerable situations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reducing Gang Harm Strategy The Violence Against Women & Girls Strategy Targeted youth support Youth Council safety and young people as victims of crime Outcome of consultation on the future of adults short breaks services and Oxley Plus day service - Pre-decision scrutiny
10 Nov 2015	Pre-decision Scrutiny Better Care technology and strengthening support at home (Cabinet 11 Nov 2015)
24 Nov 2015	Draft budget 2016/17 Outcome on the consultation to move Duke Sreet to the Healthy Living Centre
Jan 2016	Visit to site Assistive technologies
26 Jan 2016	Promoting independence for people with disabilities and for older people <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental health (early intervention) Assistive technologies Aids and adaptations (July 2015) Quality assurance process/data (re: contract / compliance) West Midlands Police Update : Local Policing Plan 2015-16 progress report and Draft Youth Strategy consultation Joint Council
22 March 2016	Enabling communities to support themselves <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community resilience Crime reduction, community safety and drugs strategy Wolverhampton Safeguarding Adults Board Annual Report 2014/15 Wolverhampton Voluntary Sector Compact

Anti-Social Behavioural Team - update on Public Space Protection Order in addressing anti-social behaviour. March?

Children, young people and families

Date	Work items
08 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary School Organisation Strategy 2015-2018 • Role of the local authority in raising school standards of attainment • Wolverhampton Children, Young People and Families Plan 2015-2025
09 Sept 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Parenting, Children in Care Council and the role of Councillors • Wolverhampton Youth Zone
28 Sept 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pre-decision scrutiny: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proposed new fostering fees and allowances
25 Nov 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Budget 2016/17 • Children's services re-design
20 Jan 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wolverhampton Safeguarding Board Annual Report 2014/15 • CAMHS
13 April 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Academy Partnership Protocol • Secondary School Standards: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secondary school end of KS4 and KS5 validated results • Secondary school Ofsted outcomes and current LA categorisation • Next steps to make further improvements • Secondary School 10 year strategic plan - draft

Confident Capable Council

Date	Work items
22 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Future Money - making the most efficient use of financial resources• Future People - creating a skilled, flexible workforce
07 Oct 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Future Money - making the most efficient use of financial resources• Future People - Employee Volunteering Scheme – progress report
02 Dec 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Future Money - Draft Budget 2016-17• Future Practice - ensuring we have fit for purpose, robust and effective governance•
03 Feb 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Future Space - developing the right accommodation to deliver the Council's services• Future Money - making the most efficient use of financial resources• Future Money : Agresso Performance
20 April 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Future Customer – improving customer service• Future Works - ensuring we have the right IT infrastructure and business processes• Future Money - making the most efficient use of financial resources• Future People - Employee Volunteering Scheme – progress report

Health Scrutiny Panel

Date	Work items
16 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> End of Life Strategy Report – RWNHS Trust Musculoskeletal Consultation Report
24 Sept 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Francis update - Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust Francis update - BCPFT Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust Jeremy Vanes, Chairman CQC Inspection Report update
26 Nov 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Draft Budget 2016/17 Consultation – Public Health Contracting of services Review of the work programme items for the remainder of the municipal year CQC Inspection BCPFT (16.11.2015) update A health workforce for the future – University of Wolverhampton Francis report update (following health and wellbeing) – CCG The Future of Mental Health Services
14 Jan 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Infant mortality CCG performance (Cabinet recommendation from 22nd July) Smoking and Alcohol in pregnant mothers (Public Health) Update on RWT CQC Inspection The Future of Mental Health Services Update
Feb 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Visit to UTC – University of Wolverhampton
25 Feb 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> BCPFT - CAMHS (John Campbell) Eating disorders Royal Wolverhampton NHS Trust Jeremy Vanes, Chairman A&E site opening and update Healthy Lifestyles Service – In house & external delivery models option appraisals Children 5-19 (0-19) Healthy Children Programme
07 April 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Choose well campaign – NHS ENGLAND Bed sores and ulcers in elderly - NHS TRUST 'Home as a hub' – CCG

Other topics for consideration

- GP referral pathways and GP performance
- Communications – use of social media and patient surveys
- Quality Accounts

Training session

- Substantial Variations

Stronger City economy

Date	Work items
28 July 2015	External funding and corporate priorities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of External funding • Corporate priorities and work programme
24 Sept 2015	Attracting inward investment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Development and inward investment. • Promoting inward investment and attracting business and enterprise within the City offer. Who/what are the supply chain have we got the skills and talent to make the City attractive • Case study - Wiggle • Statistical data, trend analysis on attracting inward investment for the City
6 Oct 2015	Visitor Economy <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Understanding our key markets: where do they come from and what do they want? 2) Wolverhampton's offer – Video 3) Improving our offer 4) Case study – The Grand Theatre 5) Visitor week briefing
01 Dec 2015	Budget and Employment and Skills commission report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget • Employment and Skill Commission report
19 Jan 2016	Aim for the Black Country Task and Finish group
26 Jan 2016	Potential for site visit in preparation for the next session to see how and who is getting it right <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Custard factory visit with University partners
09 Feb 2016	Business and Enterprise <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New model for business support, including companies that are expanding and support for innovation • Case study – Research and development , world class university, excellent quality of life, high levels of technology • Witness: representative from the University • Statistical data, trend analysis for the City on business and enterprise
19 April 2016	The City Economy <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluation of the year of scrutiny for a stronger City economy • What had changed, what does the future City economy look like? • Witness - Aspiration and innovation • Case study – Best practice and next steps

Vibrant and sustainable City

Date	Work items
23 July 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• 'Rent with confidence' campaign• Waste management and minimisation
3 September 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• West Midlands Strategic Transport Plan
01 Oct 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review of Commercial Property Portfolio• Wolverhampton Active Travel Strategy• Sustainability Implementation Plan monitoring report 2014/15
03 Dec 2015	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Draft Budget 2016/17
11 Feb 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• City Centre Regulation of street trading, displays• Food Waste Strategy
14 April 2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Residents parking• Keeping the City clean