

COUNCIL

Report title	Scrutiny Progress Report
Chief Executive or Director	Strategic Director of Finance, Governance and Support
Date	18 July 2018
Purpose of the report	To update the position in respect of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) and scrutiny panels. The current position regarding progress made by the Board and each of the panels is set out below.
Summary of the report	The report provides an update in respect of issues considered at each individual Scrutiny Panel and the Overview and Scrutiny Board.
If this is a confidential report, which exemption(s) from the Schedule 12a of the Local Government Act 1972 applies?	NO
Decision(s) asked for	That the report be noted
Impact of decision(s)	Members will be able to keep abreast of the work carried out through the Scrutiny Process

What is the purpose of this report?

1. To update the position in respect of the Council's Overview and Scrutiny Board (OSB) and scrutiny panels.

Why is this report necessary?

2. The report is necessary so that Members are aware of the work being carried out by the individual Scrutiny Panels and the Overview and Scrutiny Board.

What decision(s) are being asked for?

3. That Council note the report.
4. The current position regarding progress made by the Board and each of the panels is set out below.

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

Since the last Council update, the Overview and Scrutiny Board met on the following dates:

3 July 2018

- a) Budget and Balanced Scorecards - Position at year-end 2017/18
- b) New Report Format
- c) Scrutiny Work Programme 2018/2019
- d) Executive Forward Plan
- e) Scrutiny Panel Progress Reports

SCRUTINY PANEL UPDATES

The updated position in respect of the work of each of the Council's scrutiny panels is shown below.

Ad Hoc Scrutiny Panel

The Panel has not met since the last update to Council.

Adult Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 25 June 2018 and gave consideration to the 2018/2019 work programme. Members agreed the following topics:

Full Review:

1. 'The Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender (LGBT) Community and Elderly Care'.
2. 'Social Care Support for Older Carers (incorporating elements of 'Informal/hidden Carers' and 'Carers' Assessments')'.

Short Topics/Updates/Task and Finish Group Activity:

3. Intergenerational Housing (Task and Finish Group).
4. Care Home Development in Middlesbrough (Update).
5. Adult Social Care: Financial Issues/Future (Updates).
6. Previous Scrutiny Review: 'Reducing Loneliness and/or Social Isolation in Later Life' (Update).

Following approval of the work programme by the Overview and Scrutiny Board, the Panel will commence the review into 'The LGBT Community and Elderly Care' at the next meeting, which has been scheduled to take place on 25 July 2018.

Children and Young People's Learning Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 2 June 2018 and considered topics for inclusion on its Work Programme for the 2018/19 Municipal Year. The Executive Director of Children's Services was in attendance to provide an overview of the services that fell within the Panel's remit and to highlight service priorities and pressures for the year ahead.

The Panel agreed to include the following topics on its Work Programme:-

1. School Holiday Provision
2. Emotional Health and Wellbeing of Children and Young People

The Scrutiny Panel also agreed that they may do a short review of Work Experience. The Youth Select Committee are investigating issues around quality work experience it was agreed that it would be beneficial to await the outcome of their investigations and hold a one meeting review.

A Task and Finish Group will also look at children's behaviour in school.

Following approval of the Work Programme by the Overview and Scrutiny Board, the Panel will commence the review into 'School Holiday Provision' at its next meeting on 16 July 2018.

Children and Young People's Social Care and Services Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 2 July 2018 and considered topics for inclusion on its Work Programme for the 2018/19 Municipal Year. The Executive Director of Children's Services and Director of Children's Care were in attendance to provide an overview of the services that fell within the Panel's remit and to highlight service priorities and pressures for the year ahead.

The Panel agreed to include the following topics on its Work Programme:-

1. Early Help and Prevention Services/ 'Revolving Door Report'.
2. Corporate Parenting.

The Panel also agreed that it wished to receive updates/further information, during the course of the year, on the following:-

1. Review of the role and functions of the Safeguarding Children's Board (Wood Review).
2. New support to help children living with alcohol-dependent parents/Young Carers.

Following approval of the Work Programme by the Overview and Scrutiny Board, the Panel will commence the review into 'Early Help and Prevention Services' at its next meeting on 31 July 2018.

Culture and Communities Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 18 June 2018 and gave consideration to the 2018/2019 work programme. Members agreed the following topics:

Full Review:

1. Adult Education (linking to employability).
2. Council's Partnership working with VCS.

Updates

1. RIPA (Update)
2. PREVENT (CONTEST) (Update)

3. Previous Scrutiny Review 'Reoffending and rehabilitation' (Update).
4. Universal Credit (Jan 2019 meeting with Martin Barker and Lee Ogden, DWP in attendance).
5. Previous Scrutiny Review 'Selective Landlord Licensing' (Update)
6. Community Safety Partnership

Following approval of the work programme by the Overview and Scrutiny Board, the Panel will commence the review into 'Adult Education' at its September meeting, and will receive updates with regard to RIPA and CONTEST at the next which scheduled to take place on 23 July 2018.

Economic Development, Environment and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 4 July 2018 and continued its scrutiny investigation into housing development and associated infrastructure. Representatives from North Kesteven District Council, South Tyneside Council and Croydon Council attended the meeting and provided information in relation to their experiences of different models of Housing Delivery Vehicles (HDVs). The information provided included evidence of best practice models in operation, the benefits and challenges of setting up an HDV in relation to the initial resources needed and the potential financial returns.

Health Scrutiny Panel

The Panel met on 25 June 2018 and gave consideration to the 2018/2019 work programme. Members agreed the following topics:

- Vulnerable and fragile health services.
- Suicide prevention with a focus on self-harm.
- Childhood obesity.

At its meeting on 10 July 2018 a further update from STCCG, South Tees NHS Foundation Trust and NHS Foundation Trust on the future of Breast Radiology Services at James Cook University Hospital.

Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Joint Committee

The Committee met on 18 June 2018 and gave consideration to the 2018/19 work programme. Members agreed the following topics:

- Monitoring of the Ambulance Service (Standing Item)
- TEWV Quality Account (Standing Item)
- Roseberry Park – Task and Finish Review of Impact of PFI scheme /remedial works on delivery of services
- Tees Suicide Prevention Plan – Annual Update (*requested in October 2017*)
- IAPT Re-commissioning – Updates
- NHS LD and Complex Needs Respite and Short Breaks Service Changes – Monitoring (*nb. awaiting results of the Sec. of State referrals*)

North East Joint Health Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on 21 June 2018 and considered the following:

- Work Plan for the 2018/19 Municipal Year
- Specialist Services Update (Vascular Services) - Update from Durham County Council
- Specialist Services Update (Neonatal Intensive Care) - Update Letter from the Chair

Tees Valley Combined Authority Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Committee is scheduled to meet on 19 July 2018

SCRUTINY REPORTS SUBMITTED TO EXECUTIVE

5. Since the last update to Council no scrutiny panel reports have been submitted to, and approved by, the Executive:

URGENT DECISIONS

6. Since the last update to Council, no urgent decisions have been made.

Other potential decisions and why these have not been recommended

7. No other options were considered.

Impact(s) of recommended decision(s)

Legal

8. There are no legal implications as a result of the proposed appointments.

Financial

9. There are no financial implications arising from this report

The Mayor's Vision for Middlesbrough

10. The report is line with the Mayor's vision for Middlesbrough

Policy Framework

11. The report does not impact on the overall budget and policy framework.

Wards

12. The report does not impact on wards

Risk

13. Not applicable.

Equality and Diversity

14. An Impact Assessment has not been completed, as the changes will not adversely impact on any individual group.

Actions to be taken to implement the decision(s)

15. Not applicable

Background papers

No unpublished background papers were used in the preparation of this report.

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