Middlesbrough Council



AGENDA ITEM: 8

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

28 June 2011

DETERMINING THE SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

2011/12

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

1. To inform Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Board of the progress made by the various scrutiny panels in considering the work programme for 2011/12.

PROPOSALS FROM THE PANELS

- 2. The following presents the proposals from the individual panels who have met in advance of this meeting and are presented for the Board's consideration.
- 3. Those panels which are scheduled to meet following the distribution of this meetings agenda will present their proposed work programme to the next meeting of the Board.

CHILDREN AND LEARNING SCRUTINY PANEL:

4. The panel is scheduled to meet on the 22nd June, which is following the distribution of this report. Consequently the panel's proposals will be presented to the July meeting of the Board.

COMMUNITY SAFETY & LEISURE SCRUTINY PANEL

5. The panel is scheduled to meet on the 30th June and consequently the proposed work programme will be presented to the Board at its meeting of 26th July.

ECONOMIC REGENERATION AND TRANSPORT SCRUTINY PANEL

- 6. The panel met on 15 June 2011 to consider and agree a range of suitable topics for inclusion in the work programme. The topics that the panel wishes to review are detailed below:
 - Enterprise Zones
 - Estate Design / community needs criteria to major new housing developments
 - > Acklam Hall
 - Middlesbrough Local Development Framework
 - > Travel sustainability with particular reference to Middlehaven
 - Speed Bumps (short topic)
 - Pot Holes (short topic)

MIDDLESBROUGH HEALTH SCRUTINY PANEL

- 7. The panel will be revisiting a number of topics at appropriate junctures throughout the year for updates/briefings. These include:
 - Local implications of the health reforms, with a particular focus on the development and roles of Clinical Commissioning Groups and Local Health & Wellbeing Boards
 - Progress Updates on previous Panel work such as End of Life Care, Dementia and Services for the Exservice Community.
 - The Trauma Designation of James Cook University Hospital and what it means for the Tees Health Economy
 - The Panel will also be seeking updates from the South Tees Trust at appropriate junctures on HCAIs and the financial position that the Trust faces.
- 8. The Panel will also be addressing the following topics on a short/one meeting basis

- The Panel will be looking to consider (or at least receive regular briefings) on Commissioners QIPP Plans, their scope and progress on delivery.
- The Panel will be considering with some interest the impact of the hosting of Transforming Community Services and how that can develop services, particularly the patient pathway from acute to community.
- The high incidence of CVD in the South Asian Community & strategies to address the problem
- 9. In more detail, the Panel will be focussing upon the following themes:
 - The Experience of Vulnerable Older People in Hospital and Care Homes setting, with a particular emphasis on nutrition and feeding assistance (this is going to be joint with Social Care Panel)
 - Neurological Services across Middlesbrough & North East their current condition and areas for development
- 10. Neurological Conditions will be the first topic to be considered substantially.

TEES VALLEY HEALTH SCRUTINY JOINT COMMITTEE

- 11. The present situation and future of the Tees Valley Health Scrutiny Committee is unclear.
- 12. There is an agree rotation regarding the which Authority will chair the meeting. However, discussions regarding the Scrutiny support continue and at the time of distributing this report there is no clarity regarding which Authority will be supporting TVHSJC and consequently no arrangements have been made for it to sit.

SOUTH OF TEES HEALTH SCRUTINY JOINT COMMITTEE

- 13. The committee is intending to meet within the next three weeks and has indicated its intention to commence Scrutiny into the following.
 - > Transforming of Community Services.
 - > Financial situation re the James Cook University Hospital.

ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY PANEL

14. The panel is scheduled to meet on the 21st June, which is following the distribution of this report. Consequently the proposed work programme will be presented to the Board at its meeting of 26th July.

SOCIAL CARE AND ADULT SERVICES SCRUTINY PANEL

- 15. The panel met on 16 June 2011 to consider and agree a range of suitable topics for inclusion in the work programme. The topics that the panel wishes to review are detailed below:
 - No health without mental health (suicide prevention, stigma prevention and housing / employment for people with mental health needs)
 - Intermediate Care Services
 - Adult Education
 - The experience of vulnerable older people in hospitals and care homes (joint review with the Health Scrutiny Panel)

AD HOC

- 16. The responses from Members for suggested Scrutiny topics contained a number, which may be suitable for the Ad Hoc Scrutiny Panel. Consequently, these are presented below for the Board's Consideration.
 - The implications and Impact of Hot Food businesses in Middlesbrough.
 - The withdrawal of illegal money lending team from North East. I.e. The implications in Middlesbrough.
 - Devolved School Budgets and the possibility of their purchasing of services elsewhere, rather than the Council.
 - Council policy relating to the use of Volunteers in the provision of Council Services.

RECOMMENDATION

- 17. It is recommended that the Overview and Scrutiny Board:
 - Considers the range of priorities presented by the panels for the scrutiny work programme 2011/2012.
 - Considers and agrees topics for inclusion in the work programme for the Overview and Scrutiny Board and the Ad Hoc Scrutiny panel.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

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

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