

Report of the Chair of the Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee to be held on Tuesday 31 January 2017.

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Subject:

Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Work Programme 2016/17

Summary statement:

This report presents the Committee’s Work Programme 2016-17

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Overview & Scrutiny Area:

Environment and Waste Management.

1. SUMMARY

This report presents the Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committees work programme for 2016/17.

2. BACKGROUND

- 2.1 Each Overview and Scrutiny Committee is required by the Constitution of the Council to prepare a work programme (Part 3E – Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, Para 1.1).

3. OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee has responsibility for “the strategies, plans, policies, functions and services directly relevant to the corporate priority about improving waste management and the environment.” (Council Constitution, Part 2, 6.2.1).
- 3.2 The remit of this Committee also includes the strategies, plans, functions and services directly relevant to the corporate priorities about reducing carbon emissions, transport and highways, creating a greener and more sustainable environment and positively affecting climate change.
- 3.3 Best practice published by the Centre for Public Scrutiny suggests that “work programming should be a continuous process”. It is important to review work programmes, so that important or urgent issues that arise during the year are able to be scrutinised. Furthermore, at a time of limited resources, it should also be possible to remove areas of work which have become less relevant or timely. For this reason, it is proposed that the Committee’s work programme be regularly reviewed by members of the committee throughout the municipal year.
- 3.4 The work programme as agreed by the Committee will form the basis for the Committee’s work during the year, but will be amended as issues arise during the year.

4. OPTIONS

- 4.1 The Committee may choose to add to or amend the proposed items to be included in the 2016-17 work programme for the committee.
- 4.2 Members may wish to consider any detailed scrutiny reviews that it may wish to conduct.

5. FINANCIAL & RESOURCE APPRAISAL

- 5.1 None.

6. RISK MANAGEMENT AND GOVERNANCE ISSUES

6.1 None.

7. LEGAL APPRAISAL

7.1 None.

8. OTHER IMPLICATIONS

8.1 EQUALITY & DIVERSITY

Community Cohesion and Equalities related issues are part of the work remit for this Committee.

8.2 SUSTAINABILITY IMPLICATIONS

This is a key work area for the Committee.

8.3 GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS IMPACTS

This is a key work area for the Committee.

8.4 COMMUNITY SAFETY IMPLICATIONS

A key area of work for the Committee will be to consider the area of those killed or seriously injured on roads.

8.5 HUMAN RIGHTS IMPLICATIONS

None.

8.6 TRADE UNION

None.

8.7 WARD IMPLICATIONS

Work of this Overview and Scrutiny Committee has ward implications, but this depends on that nature of the topic.

9. Not For Publications Items

None.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 That members consider and comment on the areas of work included in the 2016-17 Work Programme for the Committee.

10.2 That members consider any detailed scrutiny reviews that they may wish to conduct.

10.3 That the work programme 2016-17 continues to be reviewed regularly during the year.

11. APPENDICES

Appendix One – 2016-17 Work Programme for the Environment and Waste Management Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Appendix Two – List of unscheduled topics.

12. BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

Council Constitution.