General Overview and Scrutiny Committee: Draft Work Programme 2014/15

Agenda items

Monday 8 September 2014 at 10.00 am		
Public Realm Services - Balfour Beatty Living Places Update	To provide an update on the services provided by Balfour Beatty Living Places (BBLP) during the first year of the Council's Public Realm contract to enable the committee to provide feedback to Cabinet and inform the work of the Task and Finish group which has been established to examine this area in more detail.	
Executive Response to the Task and Finish Group Report on Household Recycling Centres	To receive the Executive Response.	
Draft Work Programme (including draft task and finish group scoping statements)	To consider the committee's work programme, including additional task and finish groups for 2015/16	
N.B. Update on Home to School Transport will be circulated to members as a briefing note*		
Tuesday 4 November 2014 at 10.00 am		
Smallholdings	To receive a report on smallholdings; 'Review of Smallholdings' report due to be considered by Cabinet on 13 November 2014.	
(new) Monday 24 November 2014 at 11.30 am (brought forward from 7 January 2015)		
Budget 2015/16	Following a joint briefing with Health and Social Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee at 10.00am, to receive and comment on the budget proposals for 2015/16.	
(new) Monday 26 January 2015 at 10.00am		
Education Strategy - School Estates	To provide scrutiny input into the development of an estates strategy for schools to meet the council's duties in relation to sufficiency of school places and maintenance of buildings.	
Task and Finish Group Reports	To receive reports from any completed task and finish group reviews commissioned by the committee.	
Tuesday 10 March 2015 at 10.00 am		
School Attainment Figures	To receive and comment on the school attainment figures for Herefordshire schools.	

Task and Finish Groups

The following Task and Finish Groups have been commissioned:	Status:
Digital Strategy	Group to recommence September 2014.
Community Infrastructure Levy	Group to recommence September 2014.

The following Task and Finish Groups have been identified for consideration:	
Balfour Beatty Living Places	Draft scoping statement to be considered 8 September 2014.
Planning Services	Draft scoping statement to be considered 8 September 2014.
Hidden / Actual Costs of Education	Outline scoping statement to be considered 8 September 2014.
Pupil Premium	Outline scoping statement to be considered 8 September 2014.

Briefing Notes

The following topics shall be dealt with via briefing notes for committee members:	Status:
Arm's length companies / wider commissioning arrangements	To be prepared by end of September 2014
Borrowing Levels	To be circulated week commencing 1 September 2014
Education Strategy for Herefordshire	To be circulated week commencing 1 September 2014
Free Schools, Academies and the Relationship with Herefordshire Council Update	To be circulated week commencing 1 September 2014
Local Transport Plan	To be prepared by end of September 2014
Overview and Performance Report on Waste Collection and Management	To be prepared by end of September 2014
Probation Service Performance	To be prepared for end of October 2014
Retention of Organisational Memory	To be prepared by end of September 2014
*Update on Home to School Transport	To be circulated week commencing 1 September 2014

<u>Seminars</u>

Possible seminars have been identified for scrutiny members as follows:	Status:
Car Parking Charges	(date to be confirmed) September 2014
Understanding Herefordshire	3 October 2014
Community Safety Partnership Workstreams	(date to be confirmed) November 2014