# Agenda Item 5



# Open Report on behalf of Richard Wills, Director responsible for Democratic Services

Report to: Value for Money Scrutiny Committee

Date: **27 January 2015** 

Subject: Value for Money Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

#### **Summary:**

This report enables the Value for Money Scrutiny Committee to consider its own work programme for the coming year.

### **Actions Required:**

To consider and comment on the content of the work programme as set out in Appendices A and B.

### 1. Background

#### **Current Work Programme**

The current work programme for the Committee is attached at Appendix A to this report along with an overview of anticipated business for the year ahead attached at Appendix B.

#### Scrutiny Activity Definitions

Set out below are the definitions used to describe the types of scrutiny, relating to the items:

<u>Budget Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising the previous year's budget, the current year's budget or proposals for the future year's budget.

<u>Pre-Decision Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising a proposal, prior to a decision on the proposal by the Executive, the Executive Councillor or a senior officer.

<u>Performance Scrutiny</u> - The Committee is scrutinising periodic performance, issue specific performance or external inspection reports.

<u>Policy Development</u> - The Committee is involved in the development of policy, usually at an early stage, where a range of options are being considered.

<u>Consultation</u> - The Committee is responding to (or making arrangements to respond to) a consultation, either formally or informally. This includes preconsultation engagement.

<u>Status Report</u> - The Committee is considering a topic for the first time where a specific issue has been raised or members wish to gain a greater understanding.

<u>Update Report</u> - The Committee is scrutinising an item following earlier consideration.

<u>Scrutiny Review Activity</u> - This includes discussion on possible scrutiny review items; finalising the scoping for the review; monitoring or interim reports; approval of the final report; and the response to the report.

#### 2. Conclusion

The Committee is invited to consider the report.

## 3. Appendices

These are listed below and attached at the back of the report	
Appendix A	Value for Money Scrutiny Committee Work Programme
Appendix B	Work Programme Overview 2015

## 4. Background Papers

No background papers within Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972 were used in the preparation of this report.

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