Agenda Item 7



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

Report to: Value for Money Scrutiny Committee

Date: 23 February 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 2015-16

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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