

Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee 27 July 2017 Agenda Item 11

Ward: N/A

## Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme update

## **Report by the Director for Digital and Resources**

#### 1.0 Summary

1.1 This report updates the Committee on the work contained in the 2017/18 Work Programme.

#### 2.0 Background

- 2.1 The current Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee (JOSC) Work Programme is reviewed by the Committee at each meeting.
- 2.2 The Work Programme for 2017/18 was confirmed by both Councils in April 2017 and was previously reviewed by the Committee at its meeting on 29 June 2017.
- 2.3 During the Municipal Year, items may be added to the JOSC Work Programme, where appropriate. Requests for additional matters to be included in the Work Programme are initially considered by the Joint Chairpersons in accordance with the following criteria set out in the Procedure Rules:-
  - (a) The Councils' Strategic objectives;
  - (b) The ability of the Committee to have influence and/or add value on the subject;
  - (c) The PAPER criteria; Public Interest (P), Ability to Change (A), Performance (P), Extent (E) and Replication (R)

# 3.0 Progress with the Work Programme for the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee for 2017/18

- 3.1 Detailed progress with the approved Work Programme is set out in a Trello Board to help in the monitoring of the work and this can be accessed via the following link <u>https://trello.com/b/7AXUSG58/josc-work-programme-for-2017-18</u> or viewed in the Appendix attached to this report.
- 3.2 The Work Programme includes details of any changes to work and dates made since it was last reported to the Committee. The report on the Scrutiny Youth Engagement Working Group outcomes will now be reported to the Committee on 21

September 2017 to allow more time for information from the Youth Council to be provided in the report and the Budget Strategy report is now being presented to this July meeting rather than September 2017 because the report was prepared earlier than expected.

3.3 The Committee is asked to note the progress in implementing the Work Programme for 2017/18.

## 4.0 Legal

- 4.1 Under Section 111 of the Local Government Act 1972, the Council has the power to do anything to facilitate or which is conducive or incidental to the discharge of any of their functions.
- 4.2 Section 1 of the Localism Act 2011 provides a Local Authority to do anything that individuals generally may do (subject to any current restrictions or limitations prescribed in existing legislation).
- 4.3 Section 3(1) of the Local Government Act 1999 (LGA 1999) contains a general duty on a best value authority to make arrangements to secure continuous improvement in the way in which its functions are exercised, having regard to a combination of economy, efficiency and effectiveness.
- 4.4 Paragraph 9.2 of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules, which form part of the Councils' Constitutions and are binding on all Members, states that the work programme will be approved by Council. A report must be taken to full Council on an annual basis seeking Councils' approval of the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee's work programme for the forthcoming year and any changes to the Work Programme should be reported to the Councils mid municipal year (October) for noting.

## 5.0 Financial implications

5.1 There are no known financial implications arising from this report but some of the recommendations arising from the issues being considered in the Work Programme may have financial implications.

## 6.0 Recommendation

6.1. That the progress in implementing the Work Programme for 2017/18 be noted and the Committee consider if it would like to consider any other items as part of the 2017/18 Work Programme.

Local Government Act 1972 Background Papers:

None.

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## Schedule of Other Matters

## 1.0 Council Priority

1.1 Matter considered. Issues included as part of the Work Programme are included based on their relevance to the Councils' strategic objectives.

## 2.0 Specific Action Plans

2.1 Matter considered and any relevant action plans referenced.

## 3.0 Sustainability Issues

3.1 Matter considered and no direct issues identified but some issues contained in the Work Programme relate to sustainability issues.

## 4.0 Equality Issues

4.1 Matter considered. Some of the issues to be considered by the Committee may impact on equality issues.

## 5.0 Community Safety Issues (Section 17)

5.1 Matter considered. Issues relating to community safety issues are contained in the Work Programme.

## 6.0 Human Rights Issues

6.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

## 7.0 Reputation

7.1 Matter considered and no issues identified. Outcomes from the discussion of the issues can help to improve the reputation of the Councils.

## 8.0 Consultations

8.1 Matter considered. Some of the issues identified in the Work Programme may involve some form of consultation.

#### 9.0 Risk Assessment

9.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

## 10.0 Health & Safety Issues

10.1 Matter considered and no issues identified.

## 11.0 Procurement Strategy

11.1 Matter considered and no issues identified but the issues being considered may involve some procurement work.

## 12.0 Partnership Working

12.1 Matter considered. Some of the issues identified do involve working together and also in partnership with other Councils.

## **APPENDIX 1**

# Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2017/18

Date of meeting Items for discussion Report Author
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29 June 2017	Review of the Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO's) - Quarterly update	Director for Communities
	Review of the provision of solar panels on Council buildings	Director for Digital & Resources
27 July 2017	Joint Revenue Outturn report 2016/17	Director for Digital & Resources/Chief Financial Officer
	Outline Budget forecast 2017/18 to 2021/22 and Budget Strategy	Director for Digital & Resources/Chief Financial Officer
	Adur & Worthing Play areas review	Director for Communities/Head of Environment
	Annual JOSC report for 2016/17	Joint Chairmen of JOSC
21 September 2017	Review of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO's) - Quarterly updates	Director for Communities
	Review of the Progress in delivering the activities in Platforms for our Places - Questioning Chief Executive	Chief Executive
	Annual interviews with Council Leaders	Director for Digital & Resources
	Scrutiny Youth Engagement Working Group - Final report and recommendations	Chairman of the Working Group
19 October 2017	Protection of Public Buildings - Response from Working Group and recommendations	Chairman of the Working Group
30 November 2017	Worthing Outline 5 year forecast and savings proposals - Executive Member interviews	Director for Digital & Resources/Chief Financial Officer
	Worthing Executive Member for Customer Services re Worthing	Chairman of the JOSC

	Theatres budgets and outcomes of JOSC Working Group	Working Group
	Major Projects being undertaken in partnership with West Sussex County Council - Update	Director for the Economy
25 January 2018	Review of Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO's) - Quarterly update	Director for Communities
22 March 2018	Review of the Progress in delivering the activities in Platforms for our Places - Questioning Chief Executive	Chief Executive
	Leader interviews	Director for Digitial & Resources
	Annual Work Programme 2018/19	Director for Digital & Resources