

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY 28 JUNE 2018

COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2018/2019
REPORT OF THE HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES

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(The decisions on this matter will be resolutions)

1. PURPOSE

To provide the Committee with an update on its Work Programme for 2018/2019.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the progress with regard to its 2018/2019 Work Programme.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1. At its last meeting the Committee gave consideration to the development of its Work Programme for the year 2018/2019 having regard to the changes to the approach to scrutiny work adopted by Council on 22 October 2008.

3.2. Attached in the [Appendix](#) is the approved Work Programme for 2018/2019 incorporating items rolled forward from last year, taking account of the discussions at the last meeting and providing an update on progress in relation to each item.

3.3. In addition to the items contained in the Work Programme there will still be the opportunity to bring forward one-off reports and papers on particular issues of interest to the Committee but it will also be necessary to maintain a general overview of the ways in which external agencies are responding to community concerns. The inclusion of a standing agenda item for Members' questions also provides the opportunity to raise relevant issues.

3.4. The Committee is invited to consider progress in respect of the agreed Work Programme for 2018/2019 which is attached in the [Appendix](#) to this report.

4. ALTERNATIVES/OPTIONS

In accordance with the Constitution of the Council, the Committee has the power to investigate any matters it considers relevant to its work area, and to make recommendations to the Council, the Executive or any other Committee or Sub-Committee of the Council as it sees fit.

5. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

6. REASONS

To enable the Committee to review its Work Programme.

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Background Papers
None

Work Area		Comments	Meeting / Anticipated Completion Date	Originator
1	RAF Brize Norton	<p>Meetings of the Liaison Group are on-going. The next meeting of the recently re-constituted group will take place on 25 July.</p> <p>A meeting that was scheduled to take place with the DIO regarding the REEMA North site in early June was postponed by the DIO. Robert Courts MP has been briefed on the current position and has agreed to take the matter up once again with Ministers</p>	On-going for periodic updates	E & S
2	Oxfordshire Health Care Transformation Programme	<p>Reports will be submitted as appropriate as the Transformation Programme progresses.</p> <p>At the last meeting it was agreed that Mrs Hibbert-Biles , the County Council's Cabinet Member for Public Health & Education, and a member of the Oxfordshire Health Improvement Board and Health and Wellbeing Board be invited to attend a future meeting to advise Members how this issue was being addressed at County level.</p> <p>Mrs Biles has advised that she is unable to attend this meeting and has been invited to attend the meeting in September.</p>	On-going as required	E & S
3	Police, Community Safety and CDRP	<p>The Committee receives an annual update from the Local Police Area Commander regarding policing priorities for the area.</p> <p>At the last meeting Members were invited to outline any relevant issues or areas of concern.</p>	September 2018	Council

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4	Elements of the Local Development Framework (LDF) as appropriate	The approval of the Local Plan is a statutory process. A series of supplementary planning documents are now in preparation and will be reported to the Committee at the appropriate points during the process of their drafting	On-going as required	E & S
5	Leisure Management Contract Working Party	At the conclusion of consideration of the procurement of the leisure management contract and delivery of the current service it was agreed that the Working Party would be held in abeyance but that further meetings could be arranged to address specific issues on a 'task and finish' basis should the need arise.	In abeyance	E & S
6	Notice of Motion – Support for the LGBTIQ+ Community	At the last meeting Members gave consideration to the Notice of Motion regarding support for the LGBTIQ+ Community referred to this Committee by Council on 28 February. The recommendations of this Committee are due to be considered by Council on 20 June 2018.	Completed	Council
7	Planning Enforcement	<p>At the last meeting the Chairman suggested that the Committee should include consideration of the Council's Planning Enforcement Function, including staffing levels, in its Work Programme.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Head of Development Control would provide an update to the report submitted to the Committee in September 2017.</p> <p>Members also requested that an Officer from the Legal Section be invited to attend to explain the difficulties faced in progressing enforcement action.</p>	A verbal update will be provided at the meeting	E & S

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8	Affordable Housing and Housing Need	At the last meeting it was agreed that Officers be requested to attend a future meeting to explain the way in which housing need was calculated when assessing the need for affordable housing for development control purposes.		E & S
9	Application of Section 106 contributions	At the meeting held on 22 March, some concern was expressed that funding secured in relation to specific planning permissions could be applied elsewhere in the District. It was agreed that the Development Manager be requested to provide a briefing paper on the application of developer funding for submission to a future meeting, and this item appears on the agenda for this meeting	June 2018	E & S
10	Review of Outside Bodies	At the last meeting it was agreed that a Working Group be established to undertake a review of outside bodies. Some preparatory work has been undertaken and the Working Party will meet to consider this prior to the next meeting.	September 2018	Cabinet
11	Oxfordshire Garden Village Area Action Plan	A report inviting the Committee to comment on the Oxfordshire Garden Village Area Action Plan appears as Agenda Item No. 8	June 2018	E & S