

WEST OXFORDSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL
FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
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COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2016/2017
REPORT OF FRANK WILSON, STRATEGIC DIRECTOR AND HEAD OF PAID
SERVICE

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(The decisions on this matter will be resolutions)

1. PURPOSE

To provide the Committee with an update on the Work Programme for 2016/2017.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee notes the progress with regard to the Work Programme for 2016/2017.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1. At its June meeting the Committee gave consideration to the development of its Work Programme for the year 2016/2017 having regard to the changes to the approach to scrutiny work adopted by Council on 22 October 2008.

3.2. Attached at Appendix A is the approved Work Programme for 2016/2017 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 2016/2017 which is attached as an 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

FINANCE AND MANAGEMENT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016/2017				
	Work Area	Comments	Meeting / Anticipated Completion Date	Originator
Items Originated by the Committee				
1	Rural Broadband Project	To monitor and review the project for superfast broadband.		<p>It was agreed that updates would be provided at key stages of the project.</p> <p>A report on the current position was submitted to the last meeting</p>
2	2020 Vision Project	Reports will be brought forward as the project develops.		<p>FMOS</p> <p>It was agreed at the December 2014 meeting that the Committee should monitor the 2020 Vision Project with further updates being provided as appropriate.</p> <p>The Managing Director of the 2020 Vision Partnership provided a further update at the last meeting.</p>
3	Re-organisation of Local Government			<p>FMOS</p> <p>At the March meeting the Committee agreed that the re-organisation of Local Government be included in the Committee Work Programme.</p> <p>At its meeting held on 18 January the Council approved the Cabinet's recommendation to support the principle of a Devolution bid with Oxfordshire partners underpinned by governance arrangements of a Combined Authority and elected Mayor.</p> <p>A report on the current position will be presented at this meeting.</p>

4	Introduction of Electric Vehicle Charging Points in Council Car Parks	Included in the Work Programme at the last meeting	Summer 2017	FMOS
5	Performance Indicators	To receive information on performance indicators relating to Corporate Resources, Business Information and Change, Customer Services, Revenues and Benefits, and Legal and Democratic Services.	Reports on Performance Indicators are considered on a quarterly basis.	
6	Treasury Management Activity and Performance	To receive information on treasury management and the performance of in-house and external fund managers' Activity.	Reports on treasury management activity and performance are considered on a quarterly basis.	
7	Budget	To consider the initial draft base budgets, draft fees and charges for and the latest Capital Programme for the current and future years.	December 2016	Completed

8	Medium Term Financial Strategy	To consider the annual refresh of the Medium Term Financial Strategy.	A report is submitted on an annual basis	The refresh of the Strategy was considered at the December meeting.
9	Investment Property Review	To advise Members of current property investments and their performance since the last review.	A report is submitted on an annual basis	FMOS The annual report was considered at the July meeting.