WIRRAL COUNCIL

TRANSFORMATION AND RESOURCES POLICY & PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

15 JULY 2015

SUBJECT:	WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE REPORT
REPORT OF:	THE CHAIR OF THE COMMITTEE

1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

1.1 This report updates Members on the current position regarding the work programme for the Transformation and Resources Policy & Performance Committee.

2.0 BACKGROUND AND KEY ISSUES

- 2.1 The Transformation and Resources Policy & Performance Committee is responsible for proposing and delivering an annual work programme. This work programme should align with the corporate priorities of the Council and be informed by service priorities and performance, risk management information, public or service user feedback and referrals from Cabinet or Council.
- 2.2 In determining items for the Scrutiny Work Programme, good practice recommends the following criteria could be applied:
 - Public Interest topics should resonate with the local community
 - Impact there should be clear objectives and outcomes that make the work worthwhile
 - Council Performance the focus should be on improving performance
 - Keeping in Context should ensure best use of time and resources
- 2.3 The work programme is made up of a combination of scrutiny reviews, standing items and requested officer reports. This provides the committee with an opportunity to plan and regularly review its work across the municipal year. The work programme as at the end of the 2014/15 municipal year is attached as Appendix 1.

3.0 TRANSFORMATION AND RESOURCES POLICY & PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME

3.1 At the Agenda Setting meeting for this Committee, the arrangements for setting the work programme for the 2015/16 municipal year were discussed. It was proposed that a workshop session is held with the Chair, Vice Chair, Group Spokespersons and any other Member of the Committee who would like to participate. Members will be notified of the arrangements for the workshop session once they have been formalised.

4.0 PREVIOUS / CURRENT SCRUTINY REVIEWS - UPDATE

4.1 Local Welfare Assistance Scheme

The Local Welfare Assistance Scheme Scrutiny Review has now been completed. As agreed at the previous Transformation and Resources Policy & Performance Committee meeting held on 30th March, the final report was referred directly to Cabinet and was included on its agenda for the meeting held on 29th June. The final report has also been included as a separate item elsewhere on this Committee's agenda.

5.0 PROGRESS IMPLEMENTING PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS

5.1 An update on the implementation of all recommendations from the Freedom of Information Scrutiny Review that was completed in April 2014 was presented at the last Committee meeting held on 30th March. A further update will be provided later in the municipal year.

6.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

6.1 Members are requested to note the contents of this report, including the arrangements for setting the Committee's work programme for the 2015/16 municipal year.

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