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Scrutiny Programme Board

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SUPPLEMENTARY AGENDA

- 6. WORK PROGRAMMES OF OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEES (Pages 1 24)
 - Children and Young People
 - Economy and Regeneration
 - Health and Well Being



Agenda Item (

<u>Updated Work Programme for Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</u>

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MONITORING REPORT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2010/2011

(UPDATES IN RED)

Date of item	Topic Description	How the topic will be dealt with	Comments on Progress	Complete
OCT 2008	Wirral Music Service	Officer Report	Committee requested a further report during a budget savings debate on the Wirral Music Service on 28.10.08. At OSC on 13.01.09 a request for further statistics was made. An annual report has been requested – March 2010. A further request for an Options report to be brought to SEPT 2010 OSC.	14 Sept 2010
ည် JAN 2009 လ	Safeguarding - Child protection Statutory Annual Report	Officer Report	As a result of the verbal report on 'The Impact of the Baby P Case' given by Howard Cooper (13.10.09). It was agreed that a further update report would be produced in the future.	SEPT 2010
2 ND JUNE 2010	The Committee received an update on its work programme and the Chair circulated a draft work programme for 2010/11 based on an overarching theme of, 'Preparing for the Future and Protecting our Priorities'. The draft included suggestions for officers to draw up a detailed report on what the new national priorities concerning academies, free schools and pupil premiums would mean for Wirral. Resolved – That the Chair, Spokespersons and one co-opted member meet to consider the work programme for 2010/2011	Member Meeting		
2 ND JUNE 2010	The Director to inform all Members of the effect of the Academies Bill once the position had become clearer.	Officer Report		

2 ND JUNE 2010	Resolved – the Review Panel on 'Narrowing the Gap' to continue.	Panel Review	
14 TH SEPT. 2010	The Committee received an update on its work programme including the reports to be scheduled for the November meeting.		
	Resolved – That the Work Programme be agreed with the addition of a report on the Governors' support service to be considered at the January or March, 2011 meeting.		
14 th SEPT. 2010	■ Look at the current work of the Youth Service in the light of recent positive developments and investigate the impact of any potential reduction in funding either from possible cuts in specific grant like the Youth Opportunity Fund, or from general funding reductions.	Officer report back to November Meeting.	November Meeting.
Page 3	Consider the whole area of <u>Looked After Children</u> , the work being done now, and any likely impact of future decisions on funding.	Officer report back to November Meeting.	November Meeting.
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	work together with the same priorities and inequities don't develop because of different budget strategies in the different organisations.		
14 th SEPT. 2010	Draw up a detailed report on what the new national priorities concerning academies, free schools and pupil premiums will mean for Wirral.	Officer Report	After the Comprehensive Spending Review.

14 th SEPT. 2010	■ Draw up a list of specific grants which will lose their ring fencing and set out which services they cover and the consequences of any potential redistribution of resources either this year or in future years and consider ways of mitigating this.		After the Comprehensive Spending Review
14 th SEPT. 2010	A report on the Governors' support service.	Officer Report	To report to Jan meeting
14 th SEPT. 2010	■ Draw up a list of any capital resources or programmes that might be affected in the future, and consider whether there might be any knock on to Children's Services from any programmes elsewhere in the authority or with external partners that might also be under threat.		After the Comprehensive Spending Review
14 th SEPT. 2010 သ	Look at the work carried out by Sure Start, and the relationship between Sure Start and primary schools, and later consequences between primary and secondary schools on learning age intakes, in order to have a clear rationale to present should Sure Start lose its protection in the future		To January 2011 Meeting
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PROGRESS REPORT ON IN-DEPTH PANEL REVIEWS CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

END OF MUNICIPAL YEAR 2009/2010 - START OF MUNICIPAL YEAR 2010/2011

Title of Review	Members of Panel	Progress to Date	Date Due to report back
'Narrowing the Gap'. Impact of Deprivation Funding Review CONTINUING REVIEW	tba	Draft Scope 17.09.2009 Initial Review Panel held November 2009 First round of school meetings January 2010 Further school meetings February 2010	
		Sept Meeting A Member referred to the "Narrowing the gap" – Impact of deprivation funding' scrutiny review and the need to continue this to a conclusion. The Chair suggested the need for the original members of the Scrutiny Review Panel to meet. Councillor Sheila Clarke, Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Lifelong Learning, and one of the original Panel members, indicated that she would be happy to meet, together with one of the Scrutiny Officers.	

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<u>Updated Work Programme Economy & Regeneration Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</u>

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MONITORING REPORT FOR ECONOMY AND REGENERATION OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2010/2011

(Updates are in red)

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17 TH JUNE	Resolved – That a work programme listing the reports from chief officers on key issues during the year and the progress of major development schemes form the basis of the committee's work programme for the current municipal year.	Officer Report	Agreed items are outlined below.	
	Performance reports, covering the remit of the Scrutiny Committee, would continue to be given on a quarterly basis.	Officer Report		
Page 10	■ The Forward Plan for the period July to October 2010 had now been published on the Council's intranet/website and Members' were invited to indicate to the chair or party spokespersons whether scrutiny should take place of any items contained within the Plan. Any urgent items could also be considered.	Officer Report		
15 TH SEPT	Review of work programme	Officer Report	The Committee received an update on its work programme including reports to be scheduled for the next two meetings.	
			Resolved – That the work programme be noted.	
15 TH SEPT	Housing Strategy	Officer Report	The Head of Housing and Regeneration gave a presentation on the Housing Strategy 2005-2010 which had four key aims:	
			 Improving the urban areas of Wirral through tackling low demand. Providing affordable homes to maintain balanced communities Delivering Decent Homes Providing support for those who need it 	

In the presentation he also referred to some key issues, influencing factors, and priority choices. In addition he circulated a briefing note on the new 15 year Housing Strategy 2011-2026 which outlined a number of significant changes which had occurred and which impacted on its development. These included the revocation of the Regional Spatial Strategy and regional housing targets, no spatial priorities and no firm direction of travel yet with regards to guidance on determining local housing targets. There was a need to re-establish the position with regards to housing numbers through the Core Strategy and he gave details of a two part consultation programme. A further report on the Draft Strategy would be brought to the Committee on 24 November. The Interim Director responded to a number of comments from Members regarding: • The work of the Empty Property Team in bringing empty properties back into use, of which there were now 6000 a rise from 5000 over 12 months. The Empty Property Strategy gave a breakdown of the different factors which led to properties being empty. Affordability which was a national issue and the need to lobby financial institutions to be more responsive in making finance available to first time buyers. Work to be done with RSLs for rented homes. The challenges of bringing the 3400 or so planning permissions for housing to completion. • The factors affecting the bringing back into use of those empty properties which had had a different use and, which, although suitable for housing, did not now have planning permission as housing.

			The Chair referred to the need for a fuller debate on the issue at the meeting of the Committee on 24 November to take account of both the Housing Strategy and the Strategic Housing Land Availability Strategy. Resolved – That the presentation be noted and a further report on the Housing Strategy be brought to the meeting on 24 November, 2010.	
24 TH NOV	 Update on Housing Strategy Consultation Invest Wirral including the support of business in the present economic circumstances NGA Broadband 	Officer Report Officer Report Officer Report		
12 TH JAN	 Child Poverty Needs Assessment Outcomes from projects and programmes currently receiving funding and then to define the future outcomes to be achieved (Programmes include Working Neighbourhoods Fund, Future Jobs Fund, HMRI, Business Start and Business Support Programmes) 	Officer Report Officer Report		

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START OF MUNICIPAL YEAR 2010/2011

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<u>Updated Work Programme Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee.</u>

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(UPDATES IN RED)

Date of item	Topic Description	How the topic will be dealt with	Comments on Progress	Complete
21 ST JUNE	Hospital Discharge Review/Discharge Turnaround Team	Officer Report to Nov Meeting	Further report due from the 'Discharge Turnaround Team' in Sept 2010. This is now a priority item (These are all reports which have been outstanding for some time)	June 2010?
21 ST JUNE	Transforming Adult Social Care	Officer Report to JAN Meeting	Further Officer Report to the committee – date to be agreed	tba
၂ <mark>၂</mark> 21 ST JUNE သ (၁) (၁) (၁) (၁) (၁)	Review of Performance Indicators on 'red' or 'amber.' That the Committee look at those Performance Indicators either on red or amber and either deteriorating or not improving and requests more detailed reports on these and these be included in the Committee's work programme.	Detailed Officer Reports Officer Reports to Nov, JAN & March Meetings		
21 ST JUNE	Prostrate Cancer in Wallasey and Moreton	Report by Joint Director of Public Health-		
21 ST JUNE	Alcohol Related Hospital Admissions	Officer Report to Nov Meeting	This is now a priority item (These are all reports which have been outstanding for some time)	
21 ST JUNE	Your Reason, your way- reducing smoking campaign.	Officer Report to Nov Meeting	This is now a priority item. (These are all reports which have been outstanding for some time)	
21 ST JUNE	VCAW "Out of hospital Scheme"	Officer Report to Nov Meeting	This is now a priority item (These are all reports which have been outstanding for some time)	
21 ST JUNE	Homelessness and Health report.	Officer Report to Nov Meeting	This is now a priority item (These are all reports which have been outstanding for some time)	

21 ST JUNE	The impact of the budget on services.	Officer Report	
21 ST JUNE	Chiropody services.	Officer Report	
21 ST JUNE	Report from health colleagues on the Coalition Government's changes to the health service	Officer Report to JAN Meeting	
9 th SEPT	Contracts for Personal Support Scrutiny of Forward Plan	Report from Mike Fowler to NOV Meeting	
9 th SEPT	Personal Budgets Phase 3 Scrutiny of Forward Plan	Report from Francesca Tomlin to JAN Meeting	
9 th SEPT	Third Sector Contracts Scrutiny of Forward Plan	Report from Maura Noone to JAN Meeting	
9 th SEPT	Member Training Sessions.	Member Support	
9 th SEPT	The Committee received an update on its work programme, which included the proposed outline meeting schedule for the current municipal year. In addition to items on the Work programme already, the following items were added:.		
9 th SEPT	A report on progress on payments to clients as identified in PIDA	Report to JAN Meeting	
9 th SEPT.	A report on diversification of services on offer in care homes to be incorporated into the report on contracts for personal support	Officer Report	
9 th Sept	The visit to talk to young people coming up to transition.		
9 th Sept	4. Progress to single sex wards - follow up report.	Report to MARCH Meeting	
9 th Sept	5. Explore the offer of training to members by NICE	Member Support	

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The Chair has requested a report to the work programme on the DH circular due October. This will give guidance on role and makeup of the new HealthWatch, which will replace Links in 2012.		Cathy Gill will compile a report which analyses the content, probably for the Jan. Meeting.	

PROPOSED OUTLINE MEETING SCHEDULE FOR THE MUNICIPAL YEAR HEALTH AND WELL BEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2010/2011

Meeting Date	Topic Description	
1st Nov 2010	Hospital discharge review from Discharge turn around team	
1st Nov 2010	Alcohol related hospital admissions	
1st Nov 2010	Your reason, Your way. Smoking reduction campaign	
1st Nov 2010	■ VCAW " Out of Hospital Scheme"	
1st Nov 2010	Homelessness and Health	
1st Nov 2010	Contracts for personal support	
1st Nov 2010	Regular performance monitoring report	
18 th Jan 2011	Transforming Adult Social Care	
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18 th Jan 2011	Progress on Transforming Adult Social Services " Options for Change"	
18 th Jan 2011	Follow up report on impact , locally, of Govt. spending plans across Health and Social Care	
18 th Jan 2011	 Follow up report on impact, locally, of Govt plans for future of NHS as they are reaveled and progressed 	

18 th Jan 2011	Phase 3 personal budgets
18 th Jan 2011	3rd Sector contracts
18 th Jan 2011	Report on payment to claiments indentified as a result of PIDA investigation
22 nd March 2011	Regular performance monitoring report
22 nd March 2011	♦ Impact of changes to ILF
22 nd March 2011	Progress on achieving single sex hospital wards
22 nd March 2011	♦ At this time we would hope to be able to be able to report on Panel Work on Domestic Violence.

PROGRESS REPORT ON IN-DEPTH PANEL REVIEWS HEALTH & WELL BEING OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

END OF MUNICIPAL YEAR 2009/2010 - START OF MUNICIPAL YEAR 2010/2011

	Title of Review	Members of Panel	Progress to Date	Date Due to report back
Dana 22	Dementia Review	Councillors Ann Bridson (Chair) Sheila Clarke Denise Roberts Chris Teggin	Scope agreed. Planning of review is ongoing. 'Evidence' gathering meetings have commenced. Meetings have taken place with representatives of the Third Sector. A focus group involving carers was held at the Devonshire Centre (Age Concern) Update as at 16/02/10: A number of managers and consultants have been 'interviewed' at Arrowe Park hospital and at Cheshire & Wirral Partnership Trust. An individual meeting with a carer has been held. A meeting with Wirral NHS (PCT) has also been held. Further meetings with carer groups are also anticipated. Update as at 01/05/10 A 'focus group' with carers has been held. Further 'interviews' have been held with managers and consultants at Arrowe Park hospital and at Cheshire & Wirral Partnership Trust.	
	2010 - 2011 Continuation of Dementia Review	Ann Bridson to continue to Chair the review.		

	Panel on Domestic Violence	Councillors: Moira Mc Laughlin (Chair) Pat Glassman Ann Bridson Cheryl Povall		Report to March 2011 meeting
	Sub Group to monitor the Implementation of the Improvement Plan following the CQC Inspection Report.	Councillors: Tony Smith Ann Bridson Geoff Watt	Meeting arranged for Thursday 28 th October.	
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