

# **Scrutiny Panel**

Item

31 January 2017

Report of Assistant Chief Executive Author Jonathan Baker Tel. 282207

Title Work Programme 2016-17

Wards affected Not applicable

## 1. Action Required

1.1 The Panel is asked to consider and comment on the 2016-17 Work Programme.

## 2. Alternative options

2.1 This function forms part of the Panel's Terms of Reference and, as such, no alternative options are presented.

## 3. Supporting Information

- 3.1 The Panel's work programme will evolve as the Municipal Year progresses and items of business are commenced and concluded. At each meeting the opportunity is taken for the work programme to be reviewed and, if necessary, amended according to current circumstances.
- 3.2 The Chairman of the Scrutiny Panel requested the inclusion of the Forward Plan of Key Decisions as part of the work programme for the Scrutiny Panel, and this is included an **Appendix A.**
- 3.3 Members of the Panel may wish to request items that could be included on the Work Programme for future meetings. As part of the scoping for suggested items members of the Panel may wish to identify particular objectives or request certain information to be included. To ensure that this can be incorporated in to the agenda item it is recommended that this is provided at the earliest opportunity.
- 3.4 Members may also wish to suggest items that could be included on the work programme for 2017/18. A provisional work programme for next year is currently being finalised, and will be brought to the next meeting of the Panel.

#### 4. Strategic Plan References

4.1 The Council recognises that effective local government relies on establishing and maintaining the public's confidence, and that setting high standards of self governance provides a clear and demonstrable lead. Effective governance underpins the implementation and application of all aspects of the Council's work.

#### 5. Standard References

5.1 There are no particular references to publicity or consultation considerations; or financial; equality, diversity and human rights; community safety; health and safety or risk management implications.

## Meeting date / agenda items and relevant portfolio

#### 21 June 2016

- Call-in of Executive Decision Gosbecks Archaeological Park Work Plan 2016-19
- 2. Financial Monitoring Report End of Year 2015/16
- 3. Capital Expenditure Monitor End of Year 2015/16

## 19 July 2016

- 1. Year End 2015/16 Performance Report including progress on Strategic Plan Action Plan
- 2. Annual Scrutiny Report
- 3. 2017/18 Budget Strategy, Medium Term Financial Forecast and Budget Timetable
- 4. Treasury Management Annual Report 2015/16

## 23 August 2016

- 1. Staff Survey
- 2. Questions to Bus Companies in Colchester

## 20 September 2016 (Crime and Disorder Committee)

1. Safer Colchester Partnership (Crime and Disorder Committee) (Planning and Community Safety)

#### 21 September 2016

1. Colchester Waste Collection Strategy

#### 8 November 2016

- 1. Local Council Tax Support Year 16/17
- 2. 2016-17 Revenue Monitor, period April September
- 3. 2016-17 Capital Monitor, period April September
- 4. Review of Colchester Borough Homes Performance 2015/16
- 5. Homelessness Strategy Progress Report and Delivery Plan 2015-2019

#### **12 December 2016**

1. Colchester Waste Collection Strategy

#### 13 December 2016

- 1. 2016-17 6-monthly Performance report and SPAP (Leader / Business and Resources)
- 2. The Mercury Theatre and Colchester Arts Centre

## 31 January 2017

- 1. 2017-18 Revenue Budget, Capital Programme, Medium Term Financial Forecast, Housing Revenue Accounts Estimate and Housing Investment Programme (Pre-scrutiny of Cabinet Decision)
- 2. Treasury Management Investment Strategy
- 3. Digital Challenge One Year On

## 28 February 2017

1. Firstsite

#### 28 March 2017

- 1. Advertising 'A' Boards Review
- 2. Changes to ICT Support Contract

## COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

#### FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS 1 March 2017 – 30 June 2017

During the period from 1 March 2017 – 30 June 2017 Colchester Borough Council intends to take 'Key Decisions' on the issues set out in the following pages. Key Decisions relate to those executive decisions which are likely to:

- result in the Council spending or saving money in excess of £500,000;
- have a significant impact on communities living or working in an area comprising two or more wards within the Borough of Colchester.

This Forward Plan should be seen as an outline of the proposed decisions and it will be updated on a monthly basis. Any questions on specific issues included on the Plan should be addressed to the contact name specified in the Plan. General queries about the Plan itself should be made to Democratic Services (01206) 507832 or email democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk

The Council invites members of the public to attend any of the meetings at which these decisions will be discussed and the documents listed on the Plan and any other documents relevant to each decision which may be submitted to the decision taker can be viewed free of charge although there will be a postage and photocopying charge for any copies made. All decisions will be available for inspection at the Library and Community Hub, Colchester Central Library, 21 Trinity Square, Colchester and they are also published on the Council's website, www.colchester.gov.uk

If you wish to request details of documents regarding the 'Key Decisions' outlined in this Plan please contact the individual officer identified.

If you wish to make comments or representations regarding the 'Key Decisions' outlined in this Plan please submit them, in writing, to the Contact Officer highlighted two working days before the date of the decision (as indicated in the brackets in the date of decision column). This will enable your views to be considered by the decision taker.

Contact details for the Council's various service departments are incorporated at the end of this plan.

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Response to Essex County Council consultation on the A120 Improvement, Braintree to A12	No	March 2017	Councillor Paul Smith, Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Strategy, and Councillor Mike Lilley, Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities and Licensing  Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services @colchester.gov.uk	Portfolio Holder report  A120 consultation material http://a120essex.co.uk/	Paul Wilkinson Transportation Policy Manager 01206 282787 paul.wilkinson@colchester.gov. uk
Decision to appoint the contractor for the External painting and Repair external overview JCT contract award – contract to be for 4 years plus a possible 2 x 1 year extension	Yes	15 March 2017	Cabinet (Cllrs Bourne, Cory, Feltham, Graham, Lilley, B Oxford, Smith, T Young)  Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services @colchester.gov.uk	Cabinet report	Lynn Thomas Housing Asset Manager Lynn.thomas@colchester.gov.u k 01206 505863

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Housing Development Company - Following the Cabinet report in March that sought a decision in principle on the establishment of a wholly owned company to deliver housing subject to a full business case, officers are now bringing back a business case.	Yes	15 March 2017	Cabinet (Cllrs Bourne, Cory, Feltham, Graham, Lilley, B Oxford, Smith, T Young)  Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services @colchester.gov.uk	Cabinet report and business case	Holly Brett Housing Development Officer Holly.brett@colchester.gov.uk 01206 508830
Disposal of Maytree Court, Tiptree - the report will set out the Council's recommendation for the disposal of Maytree Court, Tiptree following a review of the options of the future use of the site.	No	15 March 2017	Cabinet (Cllrs Bourne, Cory, Feltham, Graham, Lilley, B Oxford, Smith, T Young)  Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services @colchester.gov.uk	Cabinet report	Holly Brett Housing Development Officer Holly.brett@colchester.gov.uk 01206 508830
District Heating Network in North Colchester Northern Gateway - Cabinet	Yes	15 March 2017	Cabinet (Cllrs Bourne, Cory, Feltham, Graham,	Cabinet report	Fiona Duhamel Economic Growth Manager Fiona.duhamel@colchester.gov.uk 01206 282252

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approval is required for a District Heating Network in North Colchester Northern Gateway.			Lilley, B Oxford, Smith, T Young)  Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services @colchester.gov.uk	Business case and Supporting Documents	

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