

# **Policy Panel**

Item

6 March 2024

Report of Group Manager – Neighbourhood

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Title Work Programme 2023-24

Wards affected

Not applicable

## 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report sets out the dates of the Work Programme for 2023-2024 for the Policy Panel and gives the Panel an opportunity to consider what subjects for which it may wish to request Cabinet approval for the Panel to consider in the 2023-24 municipal year, and to formally make recommendations to put these to Cabinet for approval. Cabinet may also wish to consider what subjects it might want the Policy Panel to consider during 2023-24.

#### 2. Recommended Decision

2.1 The Panel is asked to note the dates of the Panel's Work Programme for 2023-2024 as set out below and to consider the proposed scheduling and whether it wishes to request Cabinet approval for work items to be added.

## 3. Alternative Options

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

## 4. Background Information

- 4.1 The Policy Panel's Work Programme will evolve as the municipal year progresses. Items can be added to the Work Programme by request of Portfolio Holders and/or Cabinet requesting policies, strategies or other issues to be reviewed.
- 4.2 Richard Walker, Head of Parking, has given notice that the draft Parking Strategy, that was for pre-decision consideration by the Policy Panel on 6 March is not yet at a stage where it is ready for examination, as it is currently incomplete. Furthermore, elements are still at an early stage where matters of commercial sensitivity would mean that the item would need to be considered in closed session. The Head of Parking has therefore asked for this item to be rescheduled, and for pre-decision review to be held in the coming municipal year, at earliest opportunity.

## 5. Standard References

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

## 6. Strategic Plan References

- 6.1 Policy review is integral to the delivery of the Strategic Plan's priorities and direction for the City as set out under the themes of:
  - Respond to the climate emergency;
  - Deliver modern services for a modern city;
  - Improve health, wellbeing and happiness;
  - Deliver homes for those most in need:
  - Grow our economy so everyone benefits;
  - Celebrate our City, heritage and culture.

## **Policy Panel Work Programme 2022-23**

#### 28 June 2023

Work Programme 2023-24

## 2 August 2023

- Grounds Maintenance Contract update
- Landscape, Nature and Waterways Strategy development update
- Work Programme 2023-24

## 27 September 2023

- Financial inequalities and cost of living
- Future of Retail Vision
- City Centre: Marketing and Inward Investment
- Work Programme 2023-24

## 29 November 2023

- Equality, Diversity and Inclusion
- Future of Sports and Leisure Strategy
- Work Programme 2023-24

## 10 January 2024

- The Council's Policy on Procurement
- Mapping and examination of community assets and asset-based community development approach;
- Work Programme 2023-24

#### 6 March 2024

- Parking Policy/Strategy Requested to be deferred to 2024-25, for consideration at earliest opportunity once ready
- Sports and Leisure Strategy
- Approach to local commemorations, including benches, flags and statues