	Policy Panel			Item 9
Colchester	13 January 2021			
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Title	Work Programme 2020-21			
Wards affected	Not applicable			

#### 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report sets out the current Work Programme 2020-2021 for the Policy Panel, providing details of the items of business that are currently scheduled for each meeting during the municipal year.

#### 2. Recommended Decision

2.1 The Panel is asked to note the contents of the Panel's Work Programme for 2020-2021 as set out below and to confirm the appropriate scheduling of work for the next municipal year.

#### 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 in two ways, either through Cabinet approving a request from the Panel, or Portfolio Holders and Cabinet requesting policies, strategies or other issues be reviewed. The Panel may also receive outline scoping reports on service reviews that are taking place across the Council and these will be added to the work programme when appropriate.
- 4.2 Public contributions could be made in a number of ways:
  - a) Responses from members of the public received in advance via the purpose-built form (see 4.9)
  - b) Members of the public could post initiatives or requests into Rowan House for inclusion and consideration.
  - c) Councillors may wish to raise initiatives brought to them by members of the public. Where possible, Democratic Services should be notified these prior to publication of the agenda so that they can be included within the report which will be provided within the agenda.

4.3 The Panel will need to consider those ideas suggested by members of the public that it wishes to take forward, either through a recommendation to Cabinet, or requesting officers undertake brief feasibility studies before returning to the Panel.

# 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 Borough as set out under the four themes of growth, responsibility, opportunity and wellbeing.

# Policy and Public Initiatives Panel Work Programme 2020-21

#### 17 June 2020

- 1. Update on Panel recommendations from 2019-20
- 2. Work Programme 2019-20 and suggestion of items for consideration

### 5 August 2020

- 1. Reduction of anti-social use of fireworks within the Borough
- 2. Public Engagement Data from recent survey responses to be considered at the meeting.

# 23 September 2020

1. Heritage Signage

# 25 November 2020

# Meeting cancelled

# 13 January 2021

1. Different methods of service delivery regarding provision of the grounds maintenance service.

#### 3 March 2021

1. Local Government restructure white paper [if paper has been published].