

Scrutiny Panel

21 August 2018

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Report of	Assistant Director of Policy and Corporate	Author	Jonathan Baker
Title	Work Programme 2018-19		☎ 282207
Wards affected	Not applicable		

1. Executive Summary

- 1.1 This report sets out the current Work Programme 2018-2019 for the Scrutiny Panel. This provides details of the reports that are scheduled for each meeting during the municipal year.

2. Action Required

- 2.1 The Panel is asked to consider and note the contents of Work Programme for 2018-19.

3. Background 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 There are a number of items that are required to be scheduled in the Scrutiny Panel work programme. This includes a review of Colchester Homes Performance for 2017/18, which will be arranged for a date in the near future. An invitation has also been sent to the Essex Police and Fire Commissioner to attend an additional meeting of the Scrutiny Panel towards the end of September. Further information on both of these items will be provided at the next Scrutiny Panel meeting.
- 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**.

4. Standard References

- 4.1 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.

5. Strategic Plan References

- 5.1 Governance 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.

- 5.2 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.

Appendices

Appendix A – Forward Plan of Key Decisions – 1 September 2018 – 31 December 2018

Work Programme for 2018/19

Scrutiny Panel meeting - 12 June 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 7 June 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Financial Monitoring Report End of Year – 2017/18 2. Capital Expenditure Monitor 2017/18
Scrutiny Panel meeting - 17 July 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 12 July 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2019/20 Budget Strategy, Medium Term Financial Forecast and Budget Timetable 2. Treasury Management – Annual Report 3. Environment and Communities Futures Business Case 4. Implementation Plan to Plastic Recycling Collection from Flats 5. Annual Scrutiny Report
Scrutiny Panel meeting -21 August 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 13 August 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on Implementation of Plastic Recycling Collections to Flats 2. Locality Budgets 3. Year End 2017/18 Performance Report including the Strategic Plan Action Plan 2018-21 4. Strategic Plan Spending Priorities 5. Bus Review Letter – Further Questions to Bus Companies
Scrutiny Panel (Crime and Disorder Committee) - 11 September 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 10 September 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Safer Colchester Partnership (Crime and Disorder Committee)
Scrutiny Panel – 16 October 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's Briefing – 9 October 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Local Council Tax Support – Year 18/19 (Provisional)
Scrutiny Panel meeting - 27 November 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 20 November 2018
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2. 2018-19 Revenue Monitor, period April – September

3. 2018-19 Capital Monitor, period April – September
Scrutiny Panel meeting - 11 December 2018
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 5 December 2018
1. Half Year 2018 - 2019 Performance Report including progress on Strategic Plan Action Plan
Scrutiny Panel meeting - 29 January 2019
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 24 January 2019
1. 2019-20 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
Scrutiny Panel meeting - 19 March 2019
Scrutiny Panel Chairman's briefing – 18 March 2019

COLCHESTER BOROUGH COUNCIL

FORWARD PLAN OF KEY DECISIONS 1 September 2018 – 31 December 2018

During the period from 1 September 2018 – 31 December 2018* 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 either:

- result in the Council spending or saving money in excess of £500,000; or
- 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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*The Forward Plan also shows decisions which fall before the period covered by the Plan but which have not been taken at the time of the publication of the Plan.

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Garden Communities – Approval of interim business plan and financial procedure rules for North Essex Garden Communities Limited	No	5 September 2018	Cabinet (Cllrs Barlow, Bourne, Cory, Goss, King, Lilley, B. Oxford, T. Young) Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk	Cabinet report	Andrew Weavers Strategic Governance Manager Andrew.weavers@colchester.gov.uk 01206 282213
Western Approach Community Centre	Yes	5 September 2018	Cabinet (Cllrs Barlow, Bourne, Cory, Goss, King, Lilley, B. Oxford, T. Young) Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk	Cabinet report	Joanne Besant Joanne.besant@colchester.gov.uk Community Enabling Team Leader 01206 506943

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Environment and Communities Futures Business Case	No	5 September 2018	Cabinet (Cllrs Barlow, Bourne, Cory, Goss, King, Lilley, B. Oxford, T. Young) Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk	Cabinet report	Richard Block Assistant Director – Environment Richard.block@colchester.gov.uk 01206 506825
To approve the sale of 60 Creffield Road to Colchester Amphora Homes Ltd	Yes	5 September/10 October 2018	Cabinet (Cllrs Barlow, Bourne, Cory, Goss, King, Lilley, B. Oxford, 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.uk 01206 505863

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Housing Revenue Account Fees and Charges 2019-2020 To agree the Housing Revenue Account fees and charges for 2019-2020	No	October 2018	Portfolio Holder – Housing and Communities Cllr Tina Bourne Please contact via Democratic Services (01206) 507832 email: democratic.services@colchester.gov.uk	October 2018	Geoff Beales – Client Co-Ordinator Geoff.beales@colchester.gov.uk

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