

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITIES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PANEL 29 SEPTEMBER 2023

WORK PROGRAMME

Summary

1. From time to time the Corporate and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel will review its work programme and consider which issues should be investigated as a priority.

Background

- 2. Worcestershire County Council has a rolling annual Work Programme for Overview and Scrutiny. The 2023/24 Work Programme has been developed by taking into account issues still to be completed from 2023/23, the views of Overview and Scrutiny Members and other stakeholders and the findings of the budget scrutiny process.
- 3. Suggested issues have been prioritised using scrutiny feasibility criteria in order to ensure that topics are selected subjectively and the 'added value' of a review is considered right from the beginning.
- 4. The Corporate and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel is responsible for scrutiny of:
 - Commissioning, contracts and commerce and ensuring the corporate commissioning cycle works well
 - Transformation
 - Finance
 - Localism and Communities
 - Organisation and employees
- 5. The scrutiny work programme was discussed by the Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board (OSPB) on 28 April and was agreed by Council on 18 May 2023.

Dates of Future Meetings

• 23 November 2023

Purpose of the Meeting

6. The Panel is asked to consider the 2023/24 Work Programme and agree whether it would like to make any amendments. The Panel will wish to retain the flexibility to take into account any urgent issues which may arise.

Supporting Information

Appendix 1 – Corporate and Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2023/24

Contact Points

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Background Papers

In the opinion of the proper officer (in this case the Assistant Director for Legal and Governance) the following are the background papers relating to the subject matter of this report:

Agenda and Minutes for Overview and Scrutiny Performance Board on 28 April 2023

Agenda for Council on 18 May 2023

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