



Report to Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee 27th Julv 2016

Report of: Policy & Improvement Officer

Subject: Draft Work Programme 2016/17

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A draft work programme for 2016/17 is attached at appendix 1 for the Committee's consideration and discussion.

The aim is to focus the work programme on a small number of issues, in depth. This means that the Committee should prioritise which issues will be included on formal meeting agendas, whether a single agenda item in depth approach, multi items of less depth or for information only. In doing this, the Committee may wish to reflect on the prioritisation principles attached at Appendix 3 to ensure that scrutiny activity is focussed where it can add most value. The draft work programme 2016/17 includes possible task group and policy development topics. Appendix 2 provides a log of the issues looked at in 2014/16 & 2015/16

Where an issue is not appropriate for inclusion on a meeting agenda, but there is significant interest from members, the Committee can choose to request a written briefing.

The work programme remains a live document and will be shared / discussed at each committee meeting.

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

- Consider and discuss the committees work programme for 2016/17
- Provide comment / feedback on the draft work programme
- Identify priority topics for inclusion in the work programme

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Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee

Draft Work Programme 2016/17

Last updated: 18th July 2016

Please note: the draft work programme is a live document and so is subject to change.

Possible Topic	Reasons for selecting topic	Contact	Date	Proposed scrutiny style	Priority
Agenda item	27th July 2016				
Sheffield Bus Partnership (SBP) review	This is the SBP scheduled review report to the SCR Combined Authority Transport Committee that this Committee asked to see following the buses agenda item March 2016	Representatives of Sheffield Bus Partnership	Jul-16	<i>One-off agenda item</i>	
Draft Work Programme	Committee to agree work programme 2016/17 – within framework of selecting scrutiny topics	Policy & Improvement Officer	Jul-16	<i>Future ongoing agenda item</i>	
Bus Services Bill – briefing	An early look at the headlines of the Bus Services Bill introduced into the House of Lords on 20 th May 2016 – legislation and regulations that are integral to devolution deals and powers for Combined Authority Mayors expected to be elected May 2017	For information – no attendees	Jul-16	<i>Initial Briefing - to be followed up in depth once on the statute books and how Combined Authority can make best use of the powers</i>	

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Task Group	2016/17				
Economic Landscape	A possible major task group topic item 2016/17 - Multi approach of: Is Sheffield serving the needs of business/developers - are we joined up as a city; what gains for the city (an Ikea Case study), inclusive growth, lessons for the future; and Sheffield's role as driver of economic development in SCR, how does it play its economic role in the economy of SCR?	SCR Creative Sheffield Executive Director Place		<i>Part year Task Group & call for evidence</i>	
Grass Verges	A possible task group topic item to consider grass verges in the round: environmental value/maintenance/ use of.			<i>Part year Task Group</i>	
Policy Development – possibly in depth agenda or task group					
Citywide Inclusive Growth policy and approach	Policy Development item - ensure nobody in Sheffield excluded from benefit of economic growth.			<i>Single agenda item</i>	
Mass transit for Sheffield - integral part of SCR transport plan	HS2 – local economic impact of HS2 Sheffield and South Yorkshire Report 2016 setting out a different approach; expanding the tram; City (Region) to City (Region) transportation link e.g. Cross Pennine tunnel a reality & benefits check; compare with other cities in UK, Europe, USA.			<i>Multiple single agenda items as briefings and/or consideration</i>	

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Wider fiscal change	A wider policy development item to explore options for 'wider fiscal change' beyond business rates localisation and Sheffield specific			<i>Single in-depth agenda item / briefing / consideration</i>	
Agenda items/topics to be scheduled					
Inclusive Growth 1	RSA Inclusive Growth Commission submission - written evidence to be submitted by Sheffield CC / Core Cities			<i>One off agenda item as briefing or fuller consideration</i>	
Business Rates localisation	Sheffield involved through Core Cities. The Queen's Speech makes reference to Local Growth & Jobs Bill to include combined authority mayors ability to levy a supplement on business rates bills			<i>One off agenda item as briefing or fuller consideration</i>	
Air Quality	First considered 2014/15 - determine nature of report back required			<i>For information</i>	
Library services in the City in general	Cabinet report in the autumn informed by consultation underway now		Nov - 16	<i>Single agenda item</i>	
Protecting Sheffield from flooding	Consultation mid July 2016 for 3 months - consider once consultation complete and decision to be made			<i>Single agenda item</i>	

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Bus Services Bill – part 2	An in depth follow up once on the statute books and how Combined Authority can make best use of the powers			<i>In depth agenda item</i>	
Forward Plan items of relevance and possible interest					
Sheffield Retail Quarter – delivery of first phase	Cabinet decision – 20 th July 2016 (Cabinet Member - Leigh Bramall)	Report of Executive Director, Place: lead officer - Nalin Seneviratne, Director of Capital and Major Project		<i>Information</i>	

Sheffield Council Scrutiny Selecting Scrutiny topics

This tool is designed to assist the Scrutiny Committees focus on the topics most appropriate for their scrutiny.

- **P**ublic Interest
The concerns of local people should influence the issues chosen for scrutiny;
- **A**bility to Change / Impact
Priority should be given to issues that the Committee can realistically have an impact on, and that will influence decision makers;
- **P**erformance
Priority should be given to the areas in which the Council, and other organisations (public or private) are not performing well;
- **E**xtent
Priority should be given to issues that are relevant to all or large parts of the city (geographical or communities of interest);
- **R**eplication / other approaches
Work programmes must take account of what else is happening (or has happened) in the areas being considered to avoid duplication or wasted effort. Alternatively, could another body, agency, or approach (e.g. briefing paper) more appropriately deal with the topic

Other influencing factors

- **Cross-party** - There is the potential to reach cross-party agreement on a report and recommendations.
- **Resources**. Members with the Policy & Improvement Officer can complete the work needed in a reasonable time to achieve the required outcome