Report to Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee 14th September 2017

Report of: Policy & Improvement Officer

Subject: Work Programme 2017/18

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The updated work programme for 2017/18 is attached at Appendix 1 for the Committee's consideration and discussion.

The work programme has been updated with agenda items identified previously populated in meetings schedule, the remainder to be confirmed for 2017/18 meetings. To prioritise or update further the work programme 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. Appendix 2 provides a log of the issues looked at in 2014/16, 2015/16 & 2016/17.

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 committee's remaining work programme for 2017/18
- Provide comment / feedback/agree the updated work programme

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Appendix 1

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WORK PROGRAMME 2017/18

Last updated: 4th September 2017

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

Topic	Reasons for selecting topic	Key contacts	Proposed scrutiny style
Thursday 6th July 5-8 pm			
Hate Crime Task Group - initial response to the recommendations of the task group	*Extract from Task Group report "The Committee would like to request that Cabinet provide an initial response to their recommendations by July 2017 with a more detailed progress report to be provided by the end of 2017"*	*Maxine Stavrianakos*	
Hate Crime - verbal updates from partners	*SYP Hate Crime Lead - update; Equality Hub Network*	*South Yorkshire Police - DCI Ian Proffitt - verbal update; EHN task group - verbal update from Magid Magid*	
Fire Safety on Council High Rise Residential Blocks	*To receive an update on actions by Sheffield Council following Grenfell Tower fire*	*Jayne Dunn, Cabinet Member, Janet Sharpe, Director of Housing and Neighbourhood Services, Jill Hurst, Head of Housing Investment and Repairs,*	
draft work programme 2017-18		*Policy and Improvement Officer*	

For information - *update report on Financial Inclusion Strategy*		*Cat Arnold*	
For information *- Response to public questions*	*Response to public questions raised at 6th April meeting (2 No.)*	*Policy and Improvement Officer*	
Thursday 14th September 4-7pm			
Challenge for Change - Access to Rehousing Services	Consider report and presentation on the latest completed project	Tina Gilbert, Assistant Manager, Communities; Tenants	Single Agenda Item
Update on Welfare Reform	Receive an update on Welfare Reform, including Universal Credit, Personal Independence Payments, Benefit Cap	Report of Director of Policy, Performance, Communications	Briefing paper
Tower Blocks Update - Fire Safety on Council High Rise Residential Blocks	Receive for information an update on progress on actions by Sheffield Council since the Committee considered this item 6th July 2017	Report of Director of Housing and Neighbourhoods Service	Briefing Paper
Work programme 2017-18		Policy and Improvement Officer	Standing Item

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Thursday 12th October 4-7 pm			**4th October**
Community Safety - neighbourhood policing	Receive an update on neighbourhood policing now, including the combined Council/South Yorkshire Police team, and future direction -separate visit to Neighbourhood Policing Team	Maxine Stavrianakos/SYP	Agenda Item
Street Culture - Safe City	An introduction to what is Street Culture and services in Sheffield - to include begging, drinking, rough sleeping, the street economy	TBC	Agenda Item
Tower Blocks	Ongoing item to consider Tower Blocks Fire Safety, follow up to the scrutiny committee item July 2017: Invite representatives from emergency services and HSE; and to receive a report as requested by Full Council 5th July 2017 on safety implications of the Hanover Tower Block cladding and the need to reassure the public of the robustness of building safety frameworks.	TBC	Agenda Item
Work programme 2017-18 - PQs		Policy and Improvement Officer	Standing Item
Thursday 14th December 4-7 pm			**6th December**
Move to 18th January *Hate Crime Task Group - more detailed progress report*	*More detailed reporting on response to recommendations - may be rescheduled to January meeting*	*Jayne Dunn, Cabinet Member, Maxine Stavrianakos, Head of Neighbourhood Intervention & Tenant Support*	*Agenda item*

Tower Blocks	Ongoing item to consider Tower Blocks Fire Safety, follow up to the scrutiny committee item July 2017: Invite representatives from emergency services and HSE	SYFR/HSE	Agenda Item
Community Safety - neighbourhood policing – focus on 101 service	Consider non hate crime and policing matters, including 101 service - broader what's happening to make Sheffield communities safer	SYP	Agenda Item
Work programme 2017-18 - PQs		Policy and Improvement Officer	Standing Item
Thursday 18th January 4-7 pm			**10th January**
Hate Crime Task Group - more detailed progress report	See July agenda item for details.		
Tower Blocks	Ongoing item to consider Tower Blocks Fire Safety - a follow up to the scrutiny committee item July 2017: Update on local activity in regard Sheffield residential blocks.	TBC	Agenda Item
Work programme 2017-18 - PQs		Policy and Improvement Officer	Standing Item
Thursday 8th March 4-7 pm			**28th February**
Tower Blocks	Ongoing item to consider Tower Blocks Fire Safety a follow up to the scrutiny committee item July 2017 - **current position on Grenfell Tower inquiry & Building Regulations review**	Jayne Dunn & Janet Sharpe	

Housing +	A review and progress report - early 2018; current state of play, lessons and improvements		Briefing Paper or possibly agenda (link to other items)
Sheffield Cohesion Strategy	An update on progress and actions - strategy implementation		TBC
Scrutiny Annual Report 2017-18 Draft Content & Work Programme 2018-19	This report provides the Committee with a summary of its activities over the municipal year for inclusion in the Scrutiny Annual Report 2017-18. It also includes a list of topics which it is recommended be put forward for consideration as part of the 2018-19 Work Programme for this committee.	Policy and Improvement Officer	Agenda Item
TASK GROUP			
Dependent on resources and need			
Possible topics to be scheduled			
Youth Justice	Scrutiny focus to be developed - cross committee		TBC
Housing - evictions	Consider and test policy, process, costs		TBC
Neighbourhood Working - A New Approach for Sheffield	The committee received a report on 16th February		TBC

Appendix 2

Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee - Log of Topics		
Topic	**Year**	**Month**
Right to Buy Update report - Briefing Paper	2014/15	February
Police and Crime Panel Update	2014/15	November
The Housing+ Model and its Implementation	2014/15	September
Update for Challenge for Change Grass Cutting Report	2014/15	November
Police and Crime Panel Update	2014/15	March
Land Management Arrangements Within the HRA - Briefing Paper	2014/15	February
Welfare Reform - January 2015 Update - Briefing Paper	2014/15	February
Review of the Partner Resource Allocation Meeting (PRAM) - briefing paper	2014/15	July
Challenge for Change - Community Engagement	2014/15	September
Welfare Reform - November 2014 Update - Briefing Paper	2014/15	November
The Impact of Welfare Reform on Sheffield's Residents - Update March 2015	2014/15	March
Review of the Partner Resource Allocation Meeting (PRAM) - Briefing Paper	2014/15	November
Council House Building	2014/15	July
Progress on Implementation of the Allocations Policy	2014/15	March
Social Housing Repairs and Maintenance Contract	2014/15	March
Right to Buy Update report - briefing paper	2014/15	March
Responding to Domestic and Sexual Abuse in Sheffield	2014/15	February
Call-In of Decision on 'Future Options for the Housing Repairs & Maintenance Service'	2014/15	March
Police and Crime Panel Update	2014/15	February
Review of the Partner Resource Allocation Meeting (PRAM) - briefing paper	2014/15	March
South Yorkshire Police and Crime Panel – Joint Working Protocol Proposal	2014/15	September
The Impact of Welfare Reform on Sheffield's Residents	2014/15	July
Local Area Partnerships and Community Engagement - Briefing Paper	2014/15	November
Community Safety Update 2015	2014/15	February
Draft Work Programme	2014/15	July
Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan Update 2015/16	2014/15	November
Welfare Reform - September 2014 Update	2014/15	September
Right to Buy Update November 2014 - Briefing Paper	2014/15	November
Right to Buy Update - September 2014	2014/15	September
Right to Buy Update report - briefing paper	2014/15	July

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Selecting Scrutiny topics

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

- **Public Interest**
  The concerns of local people should influence the issues chosen for scrutiny;

- **Ability to Change / Impact**
  Priority should be given to issues that the Committee can realistically have an impact on, and that will influence decision makers;

- **Performance**
  Priority should be given to the areas in which the Council, and other organisations (public or private) are not performing well;

- **Extent**
  Priority should be given to issues that are relevant to all or large parts of the city (geographical or communities of interest);

- **Replication / 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

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