FAREHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

Report to Scrutiny Board

Date 23 September 2015

Report of: Director of Finance and Resources

Subject: SCRUTINY BOARD WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16

SUMMARY

Items for the draft work programme of the Board for the year were agreed by the Board at its meeting on 19 March 2015 and endorsed by the Council at its meeting on 23 April 2015. The Board reviewed the work programme at its last meeting on 25 June 2015.

RECOMMENDATION

The Board is now invited to further review the work programme for 2015/16.

INTRODUCTION

- 1. At the meeting of the Board on 19 March 2015, members agreed items for the draft work programme of the Board for the current year, 2015/16. The work programme was subsequently confirmed by the Council at its meeting on 23 April 2015 and reviewed at the last meeting of the Board on 25 June 2015. The Board's work programme is set out in Appendix A to this report.
- 2. The progress on actions since the last meeting of the Board is attached at Appendix B for information.

RISK ASSESSMENT

3. There are no significant risk considerations in relation to this report.

CONCLUSION

4. The Board is now invited to further review its work programme for 2015/16.

Background Papers:

None.

Reference Papers:

None.

Enquiries:

For further information on this report please contact Andrew Wannell (Ext 4620).

SCRUTINY BOARD – DRAFT WORK PROGRAMME 2015/16

DATE	SCRUTINY BOARD ITEM		
21 May 2015	Meeting cancelled		
	Review of the work programme 2015/16		
25 June 2015	Scoping Report on question and answer session with Solent Local Enterprise Partnership (proposed)		
	Annual Report on the Performance of the Fareham Community Safety Partnership		
	Review of draft Medium Term Finance Strategy		
17 September 2015	Review of the work programme 2015/16		
	Receive minutes of meetings of policy development and review panels		
	Question and answer session with Solent Local Enterprise Partnership		
19 November 2015	Review of the work programme 2015/16		
19 November 2015	Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive member for Public Protection		
	Receive minutes of meetings of policy development and review panels		
	Preliminary overall review of work programme 2015/16 and draft 2016/17		
14 January 2016	Finance Strategy, Capital Programme, Revenue Budget and Council Tax 2016/17		
	Housing Revenue Account Budget and Capital Plans 2016/17		
	Receive minutes of meetings of policy development and review panels		
	Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive member for Streetscene		
17 March 2016	Final review of work programme for 2015/16 and draft for 2016/17.		
	Receive minutes of meetings of policy development and review panels		

Items to be assigned:

- Review of the implementation of the universal credit system and its impact on the residents of Fareham
- Minutes of meetings of the Portchester Crematorium Joint Committee (as appropriate)
- Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive member for Health and Housing (June 2016?)
- Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive member for Leisure and Community (November 2016?)
- Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive member for Planning and Development (March 2017?)
- Presentation by, and questioning of, the Executive member for Policy and Resources (June 2017?)

SCRUTINY BOARD WORK PROGRAMME - PROGRESS SINCE LAST MEETING APPENDIX B				IX B	
Date of Meeting	Subject	Type of Item	Action by Board	Outcome	Link Officer
25 June 2015	Review of the Board's Work Programme	programming	 The Board considered a report by the Director of Finance and Resources on its work programme for 2015/16. At the invitation of the Chairman, Councillor Mrs Trott addressed the Panel during the consideration of this item. It was AGREED that:- (a) the progress on actions since the last meeting of the Board, as shown in Appendix A to the report, be noted; (b) it be noted that the items on the work programme relating to the Department of Work and Pensions (minute 7(c), (d) and (e) of 19 March 2015 refer) had been removed; 		Andrew Wannell
			(c) it be noted that a reference from the Health and Housing Policy Development and Review Panel meeting on 28 May 2015 relating	•	Martyn George

to the scrutiny of the health service (minute 2(a) and (b) refer) was being held in abeyance pending the Chairman of the Panel's meeting with representatives of the Clinical Commissioning Group on 15 July 2015;	
 (d) it be noted that details of the next two year programme of question and answer sessions with individual members of the Executive, which was due to commence at the meeting on 19 November 2015, would be reported to the next meeting of the Board on 17 September 2015; See Appendix A above – arrangements for 2016/17 onwards subject to confirmation once meeting dates have been agreed 	Andrew Wannell
 (e) subject to (b), (c) and (d) above, the work programme for 2015/16, as shown in Appendix B to the report, be confirmed; and 	
 (f) any possible additional items for inclusion on the work programme be e-mailed to the Chairman, with a copy to the Director of Finance and Resources. 	Andrew Wannell

Annual Report on the Performance of the Fareham Community Safety Partnership	scrutiny	Councillor Price declared a non- pecuniary interest in this item, stating that he was a member of Fareham Community Safety Partnership, representing Hampshire Fire and Rescue Authority. Councillor Price indicated that, having consulted the Council's Monitoring Officer, he would remain in the room but that he would not participate in the discussion relating to this item. The Board considered a report by the Director of Community on the Performance of the Fareham Community Safety Partnership. The Community Safety Manager presented the report and answered members' questions thereon. It was AGREED that:- (a) the performance and progress made by Fareham's Community Safety Partnership and the risks and challenges it faces in the future be noted;	Narinder Bains
		 (b) with reference to paragraph 29 of the report, the officers be requested to look into supplementing the information concerning the Prevent initiative 	

		 supplied to members via their newsletter and to Community Centre leaders in leaflet form by arranging training sessions; and (c) that all the officers concerned with community safety be congratulated on and thanked for the excellent work that they do with the extremely limited resources available. 		
Proposed Question and Answer Session with Solent Local Enterprise Partnership	scrutiny	 The Board was invited to give consideration to the nature of questions to be asked at the proposed question and answer session with the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership. A scoping report prepared by the Director of Finance and Resources was circulated to those present to assist members with their deliberations. It was AGREED that:- (a) the proposed review of the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership be carried out in accordance with the scoping report circulated and attached as Appendix A to these minutes; and (b) for the future, consideration be given to requesting that the 	Anne-Marie Mountifield, the Chief Executive of the Solent LEP, will attend the meeting of the Board on 19 November 2015 (she is unable to attend on 17 September 2015). The work programme shown in Appendix A above has been amended accordingly.	Andrew Wannell

	Executive Leader include an update on the Solent Local Enterprise Partnership in the announcements he makes at Council meetings.		
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