



Communities Overview Committee	<u>8 March 2019</u> <u>Public</u>
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Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2018 – 2019

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1.0 Summary

1.1 This paper presents Overview and Scrutiny's proposed work programme for the year ahead. The committees have based their programmes on topics from Shropshire Council's Strategic Action Plan. Committees will also

- scrutinise thematic priorities
- respond to emerging issues and
- follow up on previous work.

2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Committee members to:

- confirm the proposed work programme attached as **appendix 1**.
- Note the task and finish group work programme attached as **appendix 2**.
- suggest changes to the committee work programme and
- recommend other topics to consider

2.2 Consider the terms of reference for a proposed task and finish group attached as **appendix 3** and confirm whether the committee would like to proceed with the group.

3.0 Background

3.1 Overview and Scrutiny's committees base their work programme on topics from Shropshire Council's Strategic Action Plan. They also

- scrutinise thematic priorities
- respond to emerging issues
- follow up on previous work
- carry out cross-committee work through task and finish groups.

3.2 The current work programme is attached as **appendix 1**. The current task and finish

group work programme is attached as **appendix 2**.

3.3 The committee's chair proposes a task and finish group to look at how the council provides youth services. This is in response to increasing evidence of the need for youth work. The objectives of the group will be to:

- To understand different models of providing Youth Services in a place like Shropshire.
- To review information and evidence of need and demand for youth work in Shropshire.
- To engage with Town and Parish Councils and explore their thoughts on their role in youth work.
- To identify opportunities to lever in additional resources to deliver youth work
- To identify how the impact of youth work should be measured and reported
- To make evidence based recommendations on the options for youth work in Shropshire.

The full terms of reference are attached as **appendix 3**.

4.0 Next steps

4.1 Overview and scrutiny updates this report on an ongoing basis and presents it to each overview and scrutiny committee. This will allow members the opportunity to contribute to its development at each committee meeting.

List of Background Papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)
None
Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)
All
Local Member
All
Appendices
Overview and scrutiny work programme
Task and finish group work programme
Youth work task and finish group terms of reference