



Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

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Performance Management Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

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1.0 Summary

- 1.1 This paper presents the Performance Management Scrutiny Committee's proposed work programme for the next six months.

2.0 Recommendations

- 2.1 Committee members to:

- agree the proposed committee work programme attached as **appendix 1**
- note the current task and finish groups attached as **appendix 2**
- suggest changes to the committee work programme and
- recommend other topics to consider.

3.0 Background

- 3.1 Following the declaration of the COVID-19 pandemic, Shropshire Council initially suspended overview and scrutiny committees in common with most other local authorities. Now that the scale of the pandemic has become clearer, the council has recommenced its overview and scrutiny process, albeit with a smaller committee structure.
- 3.2 At present, Shropshire Council will conduct all of its non-health-related scrutiny through its Performance Management Scrutiny Committee. This committee will meet monthly in order to provide the time to carry out an extended programme of work. The Health and Social Care Scrutiny Committee will also continue to operate. Work is also underway to restart the work of the joint health scrutiny committee with Telford and Wrekin Council.

- 3.3 Task and finish groups will also continue as before. The committee administration of task and finish groups will now be routed through the Performance Management Scrutiny Committee, rather than their thematic committee.
- 3.2 A refreshed draft overview and scrutiny work programme for this committee is attached as **appendix 1**. This draft programme includes the opportunity to scrutinise various aspects of the council's work to tackle COVID-19, as well as some of the longer-term issues arising from the impact of the pandemic. A refreshed list of current task and finish groups is attached as **appendix 2**.

4.0 Next steps

- 4.1 Overview and scrutiny updates this report on an ongoing basis and presents it at each committee meeting. 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)
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All

Local Member

All

Appendices

Overview and scrutiny work programme

Overview and scrutiny task and finish groups
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Appendix 1

Draft Performance Management Scrutiny Committee work programme 2020

May 2020

COVID 19 – Supporting communities and community response

Signs and Banners Task and Finish Group – final report

June 2020

COVID-19 – partnership working

Q4 Finance Report and Q4 Performance Report

Community Transport Task and Finish Group – final report

July 2020

COVID-19 – Financial consequences

Kier performance reporting

Financial Strategy Task and Finish Group terms of reference

September 2020

COVID – Recovery planning

Q1 Finance Report and Q1 Performance Report

Road Safety Task and Finish Group – final report

October 2020

February 2020 flooding response

November 2020

Organisational Transformation

Q2 Finance Report and Q2 Performance Report

Appendix 2

Current and proposed task and finish groups

Title	Objectives	Reporting to
Financial Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To understand the process and activity stages for developing the Financial Strategy 2018/19 to 2022/23 and how these translate into the Council's annual budgets• To consider and scrutinise the proposals and emerging plans for the whole Financial Strategy and 2019/20 budget, including how they align to the four pillars. This will be through their development and their implementation, in particular for innovation and raising income.• To consider the recommendations and areas for action identified in the Corporate Peer Challenge report relating to the Financial Strategy, and how they are being addressed.• To consider the direct and indirect impacts, including risks, of 2019/20 budget proposals on current services and customers.• To complete specific pieces of work to identify and work up alternatives to emerging plans, including the feasibility of any alternative proposals• Make evidence based recommendations in relation to plans and approaches for innovation and income generation, and alternative proposals for future budget setting.	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

Title	Objectives	Reporting to
Road casualty reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand the nature of road traffic collisions in Shropshire. • Understand feelings of road safety, and the effect of feeling unsafe when travelling. • Understand the factors that contribute to safer travel • Scrutinise how Shropshire Council and its partners work together to make travel safer. • Explore how Shropshire Council responds to new models of Government transport funding. 	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee
Community Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand how community transport operates in Shropshire, and the demand for community transport services. • Identify how the community transport groups, the council, and other partners can work together to provide community transport to people in Shropshire who do not have access to public or private transport. 	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee
Brexit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider the information brought together to develop a view for Shropshire of the possible implications of Brexit for the Shropshire economy and the achievement of the Economic Growth Strategy. • To identify, with the relevant officers, the key evidence and related requirements of what Shropshire would require from a future UK funding approach. • To make evidence based recommendations to Cabinet. 	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

Title	Objectives	Reporting to
Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To understand how Shropshire Council currently uses Section 106, CIL and NHB and the impact that this has had • To understand how Section 106, CIL and NHB could be used in Shropshire to enable or encourage projects or initiatives for economic growth and prosperity • To learn from other places how they have used Section 106, CIL and NHB to enable or encourage projects or initiatives for economic growth and prosperity • To make evidence based recommendations on how Section 106, CIL and NHB could be used in Shropshire to enable or encourage projects or initiatives for economic growth and prosperity 	Performance Management Scrutiny
Climate Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review Shropshire Council's existing work to reduce its CO2e output. • To scrutinise existing council policy and practice and recommend policy changes that would support further carbon reduction. • To identify and evaluate opportunities to reduce spending and generate income by adopting low-carbon technology and practices. 	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee
Dog fouling and dangerous dogs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To scrutinise how the local authority tackles <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ dog fouling ○ dog attacks ○ stray dogs • licenced dog breeding 	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

Title	Objectives	Reporting to
Signs, banners and street furniture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Understand existing policies, charges and administrative arrangements • Scrutinise existing policy and suggest draft policy. • Identify opportunities to set and administer policy and licencing arrangements with town and parish councils. • Look at how other local authorities set and administer policy, to identify potential ways to improve arrangements in Shropshire. 	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee