The Work of Overview and Scrutiny

Recommended Ongoing Work

Management Committee

Activity	Date	Brief Explanation	Reason for Inclusion
Business Plan	Throughout 2012/13	Review performance against the targets set to show delivery of the Council's business plan	Provides effective challenge and assurance to the Cabinet Member and CLT
Budget Scrutiny	Throughout 2012/13	Established as a standing task group to provide non-executive challenge to budget setting and periodic monitoring	Has executive and cross-party support as an important step in the financial management and governance process of the Council
Job Creation and Economic Development	October 2012 and April 2013	To review progress in the various projects	Provides mechanism for non-executive member engagement/influence in a high-profile priority area for the Council
Housing Allocation Policy	February 2012	Major review following Localism Act and Welfare Reform	Provides mechanism for contributing to the development of policy
Scrutiny representation on Project Boards	Throughout 2012/13	Staff Management Wiltshire Online Constitution Focus Group	Ensures ongoing direct scrutiny contribution at project board level on some of the Council's major projects and activities
Member Support in the Locality Task Group	Throughout 2012/13	To consider developments in the support to elected members including ICT and induction	Provide a consultative forum for early discussion on the detail of potential developments at policy and service level

Children's Services Select Committee

Activity	Date	Brief Explanation	Reason for Inclusion
Safeguarding Children and Young People Task Group	May 2012 -	Established following the 2012 Ofsted inspection of safeguarding and services for LAC. The final report recommends the continuance of a task group focusing on this area.	An important element of the Council's efforts to improve the safeguarding of children following the 'Inadequate' Ofsted grade in April 2012. Has executive and cross-party support. Recommendations awaiting executive response.
Further Education in the Salisbury Area Task Group	May 2012 -	Established to review the post-16 education available in the Salisbury area. Compiled a detailed report and submitted 12 recommendations.	Committee resolved to reconvene the Task Group in Summer 2013 to review progress. A number of key developments in FE in the Salisbury area are underway and would benefit from further scrutiny.
Major Contracts Task Group	Standing	Work programme includes the following contracts: 1. White Horse Education Partnership – providers of serviced accommodation for Wiltshire's 3 PFI schools 2. Children's Centre cluster contracts	Provides mechanism for non-executive members to scrutinise contracts of significant financial value.
Special Schools and Post-16 SEN Task Group	May 2011 -	Submitted a report in July 2012 containing recommendations on: • Future demand for SEN provision • Healthcare in special schools	The Task Group has continued evidence gathering into a number of new areas following a request by Committee. Due to submit its final report in June 2013.

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		 Capacities, facilities and accessibility at special schools Post-16 education for pupils with SEN 	
Rapid Scrutiny Exercise: Wiltshire's Adoptions Service	March 2013	The Safeguarding Children & Young People Task Group cannot accommodate adoptions within its FWP. Committee therefore feel it should be addressed through a rapid scrutiny exercise.	Adoptions forms part of the 'Notice to Improve' issued by the DfE following Ofsted's inspection of Wiltshire in March 2012. It has also been individually inspected by Ofsted in recent weeks.
Pupil Performance in Public Tests and Examinations	Annual item	Provides an annual overview of pupil performance and compares Wiltshire's attainment with national, south west and statistical neighbours.	Enables member scrutiny of the success of the Council's various pupil performance improvement programmes.
Education for excluded pupils	March 2012 -	The Committee has monitored the implementation of new arrangements for educating permanently excluded pupils following the closure of the YPSS centres.	The YPSS had received some poor Ofsted reviews so its replacement was a member priority. Update on its implementation expected in Nov 2013 (12 months in to the project).
Family Information Service and Parent Partnership Service Review	March 2012	Established a rapid scrutiny exercise following significant changes being proposed to these family and parenting support services.	Members were concerned about some elements of the service reconfiguration and requested the outcomes of a 6-month review taking place in Spring 2013.

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School Organisation Plan and school governance arrangements	May 2013	The School Organisation Plan details the population projections across Wiltshire and the implications for new schools.	

Health Select Committee

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Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) Task Group	Feb 2013	Review performance of CCG and local groups against priorities in Strategic Plan, including effectiveness of public engagement and mechanisms to deal with conflicts of interest during commissioning.	Member priority Provides effective challenge and assurance to commissioning authority.
Transfer to Care Task Group		Review proposed protocol, policy documents and project results, and consider any resulting financial challenges.	Corporate priority Provides mechanism for contributing to development of policy.
Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership (AWP) Task Group	n/a	Consider review of services to Wiltshire residents	Member priority Provides mechanism for contributing to development of services.
Air Quality Task Group (joint with Environment Select Committee)	Jan 2013	Review the implementation of the Air Quality strategic objectives and actions plan, and the effectiveness of Council Services working together to ensure that respective service	Member priority Provides effective challenge on the robustness of the plans and proposed benefits.

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		contributions are embedded within service delivery plans.	
		Joint Task Group with Environment Select Committee to consider 'cause and effect'.	
Service 111 Rapid Scrutiny		Investigate impact of implementation of 111 service	Member priority Provides challenge to private service provider.
Receive reports/updates on:	annually	Adults Safeguarding Annual Report	
	annually	Joint Strategic Assessment	
	Sept 2013	Continuing Health Care (CHC)	
	Nov 2013	Cardiovascular Services	

Environment Select Committee *

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Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) Task Group	Oct 2012	Established to consider and test the charging proposals for CIL and report on recommendations on the future implementation of CIL.	Provides challenge and assurance for an item which is a corporate priority.
Waste Task Group	Oct 2012	Established to consider, and comment on, the options for service delivery for waste and recycling collection and management in the light of several contracts coming to a close in 2014 and 2016.	Allows non-executive member engagement/influence in a priority area for the Council.

APPENDIX B

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Air Quality Task Group (joint with Health Select Committee)	Jan 2013	To review the implementation of the Air Quality strategic objectives and actions plan, and the effectiveness of Council Services working together to ensure that respective service contributions are embedded within service delivery plans. Joint Task Group with Health Select Committee to consider 'cause and effect'.	Provides effective challenge on the robustness of the plans and proposed benefits.
Development	April 2013	To consider concern expressed about the	Member request supported by the select
Control -		process of between developers and the Council	committee
Adoptable Estates		over adopting infrastructure on new housing estates	