

OVERVIEW COMMITTEE Thursday 7 September 2023 at 10.30am

COUNCILLORS

Boyd Elliott (Chairman) Glynn Gilfoyle (Vice-Chairman) - apologies

Steve Carr Jim Creamer Kate Foale Roger Jackson Eric Kerry Nigel Moxon John Ogle Philip Owen Francis Purdue-Horan Dave Shaw **- apologies** Sam Smith

SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS

Councillor Mike Pringle (substitute for Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle) Councillor John Wilmott (substitute for Councillor Dave Shaw)

OFFICERS

Sara Allmond	Advanced Democratic Services Officer
Martin Elliott	Senior Scrutiny Officer
Rhys Attwell	Democratic Service Officer
Nigel Stevenson	Service Director, Finance, Infrastructure and Improvement

1. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING HELD ON 29 JUNE 2023

The minutes of the meeting held on 29 June 2023, having been circulated to all Members, were taken as read and confirmed and signed by the Chair.

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- Councillor Glynn Gilfoyle (other reasons) was substituted by Councillor Mike Pringle
- Councillor Dave Shaw (other reasons) was substituted by Councillor John Wilmott

3. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS

None.

4. <u>REVIEW OF THE RECOMMISSIONING OF THE NOTTINGHAMSHIRE</u> <u>HEALTHY FAMILIES PROGRAMME – ESTABLISHMENT OF A JOINT</u> <u>SCRUTINY WORKING GROUP</u>

The Chairman introduced a report that proposed the establishment of a joint scrutiny working group on the re-commissioning of the Nottinghamshire Families Programme.

Members of the Committee made comments and asked the following questions:

- In response to questions on the membership of the working group, it was explained that the proposal was that the Chairmen of each of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select, the Children and Families Select and the Health Scrutiny Committees would be appointed to the working group along with another member from each committee and these would be selected to ensure proportionality across the political groups of the Council.
- In response to questions about the scope of the proposed joint scrutiny working group, members were advised that the request to set up the working group had been made by Cabinet following the outcome of the call-in of the original decision that had been made on the recommissioning of the Healthy Families Programme. It was noted that the review would look at what the new programme could look like in the future. Members were assured that the issue of safeguarding would be within the remit of the review.
- In response to questions about how health visitor services would be commissioned within the service, members were advised that this would be part of the whole service being commissioned, that was being reviewed. Members were advised that should they wish to look at the performance of a particular service at a later date that could be dealt with as a separate piece of work.
- Concerns were raised about how the scrutiny process was working in relation to Cabinet involvement in requesting matters for review, and in scoping reviews. Members were advised that the request for the working group to be established to consider the re-commissioning of the service was made by Cabinet following a call-in of the decision on the recommissioning of the Healthy Families Programme.
- Members were assured that whilst the scrutiny review, and its broad objectives had been requested by Cabinet, Cabinet had not been involved in the development of the detailed scope.

RESOLVED 2023/013

1) That a joint scrutiny working group be established on the re-commissioning of the Nottinghamshire Healthy Families Programme.

- 2) That the membership of the review group comprises of the Chairman of the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee, the Chairman of the Children and Families Select Committee and the Chairman of the Health Scrutiny Committee, plus one other member from each committee. with the overall membership of the group includes members from all political groups.
- 3) That a report detailing the findings of the review group be submitted to a future meeting of the Overview Committee for consideration.
- 4) That the proposed scope for review of the re-commissioning of the Nottinghamshire Healthy Families Programme be approved.

5. SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

The Chairman introduced the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23. The report provided a summary of the work of the Overview Committee and the three select committees during 2022/23.

In response to questions raised by members, the Chairman advised that Scrutiny at the Council was still in its early stages of development and that 2022/23 had been its first year of implementation since the change of governance arrangements that had been introduced in May 2022. The Chairman noted that the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny were currently supporting the Council by undertaking an independent review of scrutiny arrangements and would be making recommendations on how the Council's Scrutiny function could be developed further.

RESOLVED 2023/014

That the Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23 be endorsed and referred to Full Council for consideration.

6. WORK PROGRAMMES

The Chair introduced the report, that set out the proposed work programme for Overview Committee for 2023/24 along with the work programmes for the Adult Social Care and Public Health, Children and Families and Place Select Committees for 2023/24.

RESOLVED 2023/015

- 1) That the Overview Committee work programme be approved.
- 2) That the Adult Social Care and Public Health Select Committee work programme be approved.
- 3) That the Children and Families Select Committee work programme be approved.
- 4) That the Place Select Committee work programme be approved.

5) That committee members make any further suggestions for consideration by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for inclusion on the Overview Work Programme, in consultation with the relevant Cabinet Member(s) and senior officers, subject to the required approval by the Chairman of Overview Committee.

The meeting closed at 11.29am

CHAIRMAN