

**REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND
CORPORATE SERVICES****WORK PROGRAMME****Purpose of the Report**

1. To review the Committee's work programme for 2012/13.

Information and Advice

2. The County Council requires each committee to maintain a work programme. The work programme will assist the management of the committee's agenda, the scheduling of the committee's business and forward planning. The work programme will be updated and reviewed at each pre-agenda meeting and committee meeting. Any member of the committee is able to suggest items for possible inclusion.
3. The attached work programme was drafted in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and reported to the first meeting of the Policy Committee in May 2012. It has been reviewed at each subsequent meeting and includes items which can be anticipated at the present time. Other items will be added to the programme as they are identified.
4. As part of the transparency introduced by the new committee arrangements, committees are expected to review day to day operational decisions made by officers using their delegated powers. Such decisions will be included in the work programme on an annual basis and as specific decisions of interest arise.
5. The Policy Committee will be asked to determine policies, strategies and statutory plans developed or reviewed by other Committees of the Council. A list of proposed policy developments and policy reviews is included as an appendix to the report. This list will be updated regularly following the meetings of each of the Council's Committees and policies referred to the Policy Committee for determination will be included in the work programme.
6. Committee Chairmen are invited to advise the Policy Committee of any additional policy reviews that are being considered.

Other Options Considered

7. None.

Reason/s for Recommendation/s

8. To assist the committee in preparing and managing its work programme.

Statutory and Policy Implications

9. This report has been compiled after consideration of implications in respect of finance, equal opportunities, human resources, crime and disorder, human rights, the safeguarding of children, sustainability and the environment and those using the service and where such implications are material they are described below. Appropriate consultation has been undertaken and advice sought on these issues as required.

RECOMMENDATION/S

- 1) That the committee's work programme be noted, and consideration be given to any changes which the committee wishes to make;

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Constitutional Comments (SLB 30/04/2012)

10. The Committee has authority to consider the matters set out in this report by virtue of its terms of reference.

Financial Comments (PS 2/5/12)

11. There are no financial implications arising directly from this report.

Background Papers

Except for previously published documents, which will be available elsewhere, the documents listed here will be available for inspection in accordance with Section 100D of the Local Government Act 1972.

Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All