

29 November 2012

Agenda Item: 11

# REPORT OF CORPORATE DIRECTOR, POLICY, PLANNING AND CORPORATE SERVICES

## WORK PROGRAMME

## **Purpose of the Report**

1. To consider 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 has been drafted in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, 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, each committee is expected to review day to day operational decisions made by officers using their delegated powers. The Committee may wish to commission periodic reports on such decisions where relevant.
- 5. At the last meeting of the Committee on 30 October 2012, Members requested that an update on Ash Tree dieback due to fungal disease be submitted to a future meeting of the Committee. Following further discussions it has been decided that the most appropriate committee to consider this issue is Transport and Highways Committee. This is because the Council's Arboricultural Services team, which has the lead responsibility for this issue, is based within Highway Services.

## **Other Options Considered**

5. None.

## **Reason/s for Recommendation/s**

6. To assist the committee in preparing its work programme.

## **Statutory and Policy Implications**

7. 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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## For any enquiries about this report please contact: Keith Ford, Senior Democratic Services Officer on 0115 9772590

#### **Constitutional Comments (HD)**

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

## Financial Comments (PS)

9. 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.

• New Governance Arrangements report to County Council – 29 March 2012 and minutes of that meeting (published)

## Electoral Division(s) and Member(s) Affected

All