

Committee: Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Tuesday 23 January 2018

Time: 6.45 pm

Venue Bodicote House, Bodicote, Banbury, OX15 4AA

Membership

Councillor Neil Prestidge (Chairman) Councillor Jolanta Lis (Vice-Chairman)

Councillor David Anderson
Councillor Mike Bishop
Councillor Chris Heath
Councillor Timothy Hallchurch MBE
Councillor Andrew McHugh
Councillor Claire Bell
Councillor Mark Cherry
Councillor Sean Gaul
Councillor David Hughes
Councillor Jason Slaymaker

AGENDA

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1. Apologies for Absence and Notification of Substitute Members

2. Declarations of Interest

Members are asked to declare any interest and the nature of that interest which they may have in any of the items under consideration at this meeting.

3. Urgent Business

The Chairman to advise whether they have agreed to any item of urgent business being admitted to the agenda.

4. **Minutes** (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 21 November 2017.

5. Chairman's Announcements

To receive communications from the Chairman.

6. Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 (Pages 7 - 16)

Report of Director of Operational Delivery

Purpose of report

To consider the new legislation coming into force April 2018, the preparation undertaken for its implementation and the potential risks and challenges in meeting the Council's duties

Recommendations

The Committee is recommended:

- 1.1 To consider the work being carried out to prepare the authority to implement the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 in 2018;
- 1.2 To consider the potential impacts upon service delivery and resource implications in future years; and
- 1.3 To consider that the Shared Housing Service intend to adopt a collaborative approach to implement the new obligations imposed under the Act

7. Draft Business Plan and Budget

Report of Interim Director and Executive Director, Finance and Governance

Please note that this report will be to follow, as at the time of agenda publication it is being finalised

8. Work Programme 2017-18 (Pages 17 - 24)

Report of Monitoring Officer

Purpose of report

To give an update on the Overview and Scrutiny work programme for 2017-2018

Recommendations

The meeting is recommended to:

- 1.1 To review the draft work programme (Appendix 1).
- 1.2 To identify any items from the Executive Work Programme to form part of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme for 2017/18
- 1.3 To identify any other possible future topics for scrutiny and consider whether these topics should have scoping documents produced, based on the considerations of risk and what value scrutiny can add through considering the issue.

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Information about this Meeting

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Declarations of Interest

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