

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Draft Work Programme - 2015/2016

(Updated: July 2015)

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Website	To consider report of Scrutiny Panel review of the Council's website	Committee request arising July, 2014. Next consideration – TBC	Balvinder Heran, Joint Head of ICT Business Services	Scrutiny Panel comprising Cllrs Hughes, Johnstone and Lawrie Stratford to undertake a scrutiny review of the Council's website. March update: Task group has met informally in Bicester and discussed area of interest / concern. Cllr Lawrie Stratford liaising with Balvinder Heran re a meeting with appropriate officers. June update: Cllr Lawrie Stratford met with Balvinder Heran who advised the website would be reviewed and re-launched. Scrutiny

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Youth Engagement (July, 2015)	Scrutiny Panel investigation into Youth Engagement in the democratic process.	Committee request arising June, 2014. Initial consideration – September, 2014. Scrutiny Panel established – October, 2014. July 2015 – verbal update to be provided to Committee.	Jon Wild Senior Recreation Development Officer	Scoping document prepared by Cllrs Prestidge, Sames and Williams agreed at October 2014 meeting. Scrutiny Panel established comprising Cllrs Bell, Prestidge, and Williams.
Recycling (July, 2015)	Scrutiny Panel investigation into the Councils recycling activities.	Committee request arising June, 2014. Next consideration – July, 2015.	Ed Potter, Head of Environmental Services.	Scoping document prepared by Cllrs Bell and Hughes for consideration by the Committee (October). Scrutiny Panel established comprising Cllrs Bell and Hughes.
Dial-a-Ride scheme - Future	Undertake monitoring of Dial-a-Ride service.	Committee request. Next consideration due – TBC	Nicola Riley Shared Interim Community Partnerships and Recreation Manager	June 2015 Update: The Countryside and Communities Manager, and Alexandra Bailey, OCC's Service Manager (Business Development & Fleet) updated Committee on OCC Cabinet decision to deliver dial-a-ride differently. CDC review of options underway and will be presented to the

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Customer Insight Report Q4 (July, 2015)	Regular review of customer insights feedback.	Monitoring by Committee. Next consideration due – July, 2015	Louise Tustian, Acting Corporate Performance Manager.	Leader to be invited to attend.
Customer Insight Report Q1 and Q2 (November, 2015)	Regular review of customer insights feedback.	Monitoring by Committee.	Louise Tustian, Acting Corporate Performance Manager.	Leader to be invited to attend.
Review of Local Plan Process (TBC)	Upon completion of the Local Plan examination, to review the process, and consider lessons learnt for future, similar projects.	Request from Cllr Woodcock with support of Executive.	Adrian Colwell, Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy.	Local Plan to be submitted to July Council meeting following Inspector's report. This review should not take place until after the Local Plan is adopted.
Wind Turbines and their locations, and the application of the fracturing mining technique. (TBC)	Review and development of policy regarding wind turbines and their locations, and the application of the fracturing ('Fracking') mining technique.	Committee decision – June, 2014. Date of next consideration – TBC.	Adrian Colwell, Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy.	Local Plan to be submitted to July Council meeting following Inspector's report. This review should not take place until after the Local Plan is adopted.
Management of the self-build element of the Graven Hill Development	To receive 6 monthly progress update on Graven Hill	Committee request arising February, 2014.	Karen Curtin (Commercial Director, Bicester) Helen	

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(TBC)			Town (Delivery Manager)	
Update on joint working (TBC)	To receive updates on joint working	Committee request – June 2015	Sue Smith, Chief Executive	
Use of IT to enable Members to undertake their role more efficiently.	Possible review of the use of IT to enable Members to undertake their role more efficiently.	Committee request arising February, 2015	To be identified	Committee Members to be identified to complete scoping document
Rural Exception Site and Allocations Policy	Review to consider any disconnect between planning policy and the Allocations Policy	Referral from Executive arising June 2015	To be identified	Officers to be invited to a future meeting to brief members
Safer Communities Strategy	Cherwell Safer Communities Partnership will be reviewing the Safer Communities Strategy in 2015/16	Committee request arising June 2015	To be identified	To be considered at the appropriate time
Items retained on Work Programme for update via Briefing Notes				
Joint Cherwell District Council / South Northamptonshire Council Travel Plan (2016)	Review of joint Travel Plan which aims to change to the way people travel to their place of work.	Review by both CDC and SNC Scrutiny Committees – November, 2014 Update: TBC	Adrian Colwell, Head of Strategic Planning and the Economy. David Allen, Lead Officer Transport Policy (SNC).	Following initial consideration, further information to be submitted to future meeting regarding conference calling during 2015, and comparison information in respect of the number of staff journeys

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