

**ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14**

**REPORT OF THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The report attaches, the work programme for the Committee’s work during the 2013/14 council year.
- 1.2 In delivering its work programme, the Scrutiny Committee will support the council in achieving its Corporate Outcomes.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The work programme is a working document which the Committee can develop throughout the year. The work programme allows Members and officers to maintain an overview of work planned and undertaken during the Council year.
- 2.2 The first priority policy review topics commissioned by the Scrutiny Committee to the Scrutiny Panels are underway as follows:-

<b>Remit</b>	<b>Policy Review Topic</b>
Children’s Services	Child Obesity
City Services	Alcohol and Licensing Control
Health, Housing and Adult Services	Supporting Carers in the City
Public Health, Wellness and Culture	Patient Engagement
Responsive Services and Customer Care	Volunteering: Increasing Community Capacity
Skills, Economy and Regeneration	The Growth and Diversification of the Local Economy

**3. CURRENT POSITION**

- 3.1 The work programme reflects discussions that took place at the Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 10 October 2013. The current work programme is attached as **Appendix 1**.
- 3.2 At its last meeting the Committee agreed to consider the Housing Financial Assistance Policy prior to Cabinet. This will be presented to the Scrutiny Committee at its meeting of 5 December 2013.

#### **4. CONCLUSION**

- 4.1 The work programme developed from the meeting will form a flexible mechanism for managing the work of the Committee in 2013/14.

#### **5 RECOMMENDATION**

- 5.1 That the Committee notes the information contained in the work programme and consider the inclusion of any proposals for the Committee into the work programme.

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