

**SCRUTINY COMMITTEES WORK PROGRAMMES FOR 2015-16**

**REPORT OF THE HEAD OF SCRUTINY AND AREA ARRANGEMENTS**

**1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- 1.1 The report attaches, for Members' information, the variations to the shadow Scrutiny Committee work programmes for 2015/16 and provides an opportunity to review the Committee's own work programme for 2015/16.
- 1.2 In delivering its work programme, the Scrutiny Committee will support the council in achieving its Corporate Outcomes.

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 The role of the Scrutiny Committee is two-fold, firstly it has a role in co-ordinating efficient business across the shadow Scrutiny Committees and manage the overall Scrutiny Work Programme and secondly to consider the Council's corporate policies, performance and financial issues.
- 2.2 The aim of its co-ordinating role is to avoid duplication, make best use of resources and to provide a corporate overview of the scrutiny function. As such the remainder of this report outlines the current work programmes of the shadow Scrutiny Committees.

**3. SHADOW SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMMES**

- 3.1 **Appendix 1** sets out the shadow Scrutiny Committee work programmes. Each shadow Scrutiny Committee now receives its own work programme in full each month in order to review progress.

**4. SCRUTINY COMMITTEE'S WORK PROGRAMME**

- 4.1 **Appendix 2** outlines this Committee's full work programme for the year, updated to reflect new additions and amendments requested by Committee as the year has progressed.

**5. RECOMMENDATION**

- 5.1 That the Committee notes the variations to the shadow Scrutiny Committee Work Programmes for 2015-16 and to its own work programme.

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