

ANNUAL WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19

**REPORT OF HEAD OF MEMBER SERVICES AND
COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS**

1. Purpose of the Report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to consider and agree a work programme for the Committee for the municipal year 2018/19.

2. Background

- 2.1 The work programme is designed to set out the key issues to be addressed by the Committee during the year and provide it with a timetable of work. The Committee itself is responsible for setting its own work programme, subject to the coordinating role of the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee.
- 2.2 To be most effective, the work programme should provide a basis and framework for the work of the Committee, while retaining sufficient flexibility to respond to any important issues that emerge during the course of the year. The work programme is therefore intended to be a working document that the Committee can develop and refer to throughout the year.
- 2.3 In order to ensure that the Committee is able to undertake all of its business and respond to emerging issues, there will be scope for additional meetings or visits not detailed in the work programme.
- 2.4 The remit of the Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee covers the following:-

Any matter relating to the economic prosperity of the city and the performance of services to support that including physical infrastructure, sector growth and skills, economic vibrancy, Safer Sunderland, licensing and trading standards, strategic transport, environmental services, libraries, heritage and tourism.

- 2.5 The work programme should reflect the remit of the Committee and the need to balance its responsibility for undertaking scrutiny, performance management and policy review.
- 2.6 The work programme should also reflect and be aligned to the key priorities of the Council as set out in documents such as the Sunderland Strategy and Corporate Plan, reflect issues highlighted following external assessments and issues raised during the Committee development sessions.

3 DETERMINING THE SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

3. On 31 May 2018, the Committee held a workshop session to discuss potential items for inclusion in the work programme.
- 3.1 As requested by Members the table below provides details of the issues considered for inclusion in the work programme:-

Regular Work Programme Items	
Economic Prosperity Scrutiny Committee Work Programme (Monthly)	To receive the committee's work programme outlining future meetings of the committee and the items scheduled for those meetings.
28 Day Notice of Key Decisions (Monthly)	To consider the Council's 28 Day Notice of Key Decisions.
Single Item (Items to be scheduled when dates known)	
Core Strategy and Development Plan	To consider and comment on the findings of the Draft Core Strategy and Development Plan Consultation
Bishopwearmouth Conservation Area Plan	To consider and comment on the revised Bishopwearmouth Conservation Area Character Appraisal and Management Plan (CAMP) prior to submission to Council.
Sunderland Strategic Transport	To provide an update on the timescale and

Corridor - Northern Spire Bridge	preparation for opening of the Northern Spire Bridge
Business Improvement District (BID)	To consider progress being made by the BID over the last 12 months and plans for the future
Environmental Services Update	To review and consider progress on a range of city wide environmental issues including refuse collection, the effect of the winter weather, flytipping
Siglion Regeneration	To consider and review progress of on the development and regeneration of the Vaux Site, Seaburn and Chapelgarth and plans for Farringdon Row and Numbers Garth. To include consideration of rents.
Housing Strategy -Progress	To monitor progress in relation to the priorities contained in the Housing Strategy including consideration of HMO's
Economic Prosperity - Chamber of Commerce	To hear the views of local business sector on the health of the local economy and retail sectors and the progress being made in developing apprenticeship schemes
Events	To review the contribution and outcomes of the major events held in the city during the year including the Air show, Illuminations and Tall ships
Infrastructure Delivery Plan	To monitor progress on the implementation of the Infrastructure Delivery Plan for developments contained in the Core

	Strategy including roads, transport, leisure and schools
Business Centres – Progress Report	To consider the progress made by the Council's Business Centres (Evolve, the Software Centre and Washington Business Centre) including their financial position and occupancy figures
International Strategy	To review the work of the International Strategy Steering Group over the year and its contribution to economic growth and prosperity
Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO)	To consider the impact of the introduction of PSPO's in the city centre and plans for the future
Environmental Enforcement	To review of the progress of the Environmental Enforcement Team Following the implementation of the Council's new Environmental Policy
Waste Management Strategy	To consider the operation of the Waste Management Strategy, meet with partners and visit sites at Teesside/Springwell/Hendon to view how the waste stream is treated
Apprenticeships	To consider the recent legislative changes and meet with partners in the private and public sectors to discuss the development of apprenticeships in the city

Stadium Village Masterplan	To review and comment on proposals contained in the Plan
Holmeside Masterplan	To review and comment on proposals contained in the Plan

- 3.1 A draft Scrutiny Work Programme for 2018/19 is attached as **Appendix 1**, which incorporates, where relevant the items above.
- 3.2 It should be noted that the work programme is a 'living' document and can be amended throughout the course of the municipal year. Any Elected Member can add an item of business to an agenda for consideration (Protocol 1 within the Overview and Scrutiny Handbook outlines this process).

4. Recommendations

- 4.1 That the Scrutiny Committee consider and agrees a draft Annual Scrutiny Work Programme for 2018/19 and incorporates emerging issues as and when they arise throughout the forthcoming year.

5. Background Papers

Notes of the Development session held on 31 May 2018

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