
REPORT TO:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	AGENDA ITEM: 10
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REPORT FROM:	CHIEF EXECUTIVE	OPEN PARAGRAPH NO: N/A
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SUBJECT:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME	REF:
WARD(S) AFFECTED:	ALL	TERMS OF REFERENCE: N/A

1.0 Recommendations

- 1.1 That the Committee reviews its work programme for the remainder of the year and agrees the Agenda content for the next Meeting.

2.0 Purpose of Report

- 2.1 To receive the updated work programme and to give consideration to items for the next Meeting.

3.0 Detail

- 3.1 The Committee is asked to review and update the work programme attached at Annexe 'A'. In addition to the projects reported earlier on the Agenda, updates are also provided on the following areas:

Public Transport – Willington Station

- 3.2 Following the discussion at the last meeting, a draft review report was prepared and circulated to Members of the Committee for input. This report was submitted to Environmental and Development Services Committee at its meeting on 28th August. As requested, further contact was made with Cross Country trains, to seek a response to the questions circulated prior to the 7th May meeting. Despite assurances and a number of reminders, this information was not received. Accordingly, in line with Members' instructions, this was raised in the report to the Policy Committee.

Self Scrutiny

- 3.3 At the June meeting, the Committee concluded the self-scrutiny review and Members were asked to give initial thought to the CfPS Self-evaluation framework. It would be useful to work through this document formally, to establish a baseline position for scrutiny at South Derbyshire. It is therefore proposed to arrange a six-monthly review

session and this can be considered further at the October meeting. In the meantime, any feedback from Members is welcome.

Work Programmes

3.4 A copy of the Committee's work programme was sent to Derbyshire County Council, with a request to receive a copy of the programmes of the County's Scrutiny Committees. This has subsequently been obtained from the County Council's website and details are shown at Annex 'B'. That authority has four Improvement and Scrutiny committees, which meet regularly, devising their own work programmes. The committees have three main functions:

- **Best Value** - to agree the scope of Best Value reviews and receive regular progress reports.
- **Policy reviews** - to examine current council policies to see if improvements can be made and to help shape new policies for the Cabinet to consider.
- **"Call In"** - the mechanism for the committee to scrutinise decisions of the Executive.

4.0 Financial Implications

4.1 None arising directly from this report.

5.0 Background Papers

5.1 Work Programme.