

Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2018/19

Comments following consultation on the proposed work programme :

1. Skills SPG: Use the Skills Action Plan and consult with the Senior Economic Development Officer to choose one or more areas identified for action to review. A suggested area to review was how our partners were helping to deliver training to improve skills, particularly literacy and numeracy, in deprived areas

2. Council Owned Community Rooms SPG: Concerns received about the inconsistency in how community rooms are let. Options for this review include reviewing the current arrangements, examining the procedure/policy that is in place and revising them to ensure consistency.

3. Ongoing SPGs:

Play Strategy SPG: Public consultation is now underway, it is expected that this scrutiny project will be in a position to summarise its work following the results of the public consultation.

HS2 SPG: Currently working to a schedule of identified areas for exploration, coming to the end of their scope and are expected to produce a report of their findings in June/July 2018.

Development of the old QPSC site: Awaiting the submission of the planning application, this project is likely to continue until September 2018.

Leisure, Sport and Cultural Activities SPGs: Awaiting the final project board meeting to sign off the new QPSC.

4. Regarding the Digital Strategy and Face to Face service delivery items, due to the recent approval of the ICT Review which directly feeds into these items, it is proposed to link these items to the ICT

improvement programme to keep scrutiny informed and to monitor progress on the implementation of the programme.

5. Communications and Engagement Strategy: This has been scheduled for a 6 monthly update in January 2019 to monitor the progress of the strategy. Officer's advised that it will be difficult to evaluate the progress after 6 months as it is a 5 year strategy however due to the borough elections a 12 month progress review is not possible. Suggest that the CC&O Scrutiny Committee consider over the next 6 months what a specific parts of the strategy they want to review.

Member appointments to Scrutiny Project Groups :

1. Play Strategy SPG (c/f) : Cllr L M Derbyshire (Lead Member)
2. HS2 SPC (c/f) : Cllr J Floor (Lead Member)
3. Development of old QPLC site SPG : Cllr G Simmons (Lead Member)
4. Leisure, Sport and Cultural Activities SPG (c/f) : Cllr P Gilby (Lead Member)
5. Skills SPG (new) : *Lead Member TBC*
6. Council Owned Community Rooms (new) : *Lead Member TBC*

Member appointments to Corporate Working Groups :

1. Member Development Working Group : Cllr Peter Innes (as OSC Chair)
2. Constitution Working Group : Councillor Kate Sarvent
3. HRA Business Plan Steering Group : Councillor Suzie Perkins