Report for:	Overview & Scrutiny Committee 17 th June 2013	Item number	
Title:	Overview & Scrutiny V	Vork Progran	nme 2013/14
Report authorised by :	Cllr Bull, Chair Overview & Scrutiny Committee		
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Ward(s) affected:	Report for Key/Non Ke	ey Decision:	

1. Describe the issue under consideration

1.1 This report outlines the indicative scrutiny work programme for 2013/14 for approval by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

2. Cabinet Member Introduction

2.1 N/A

3. Recommendations

- 3.1 That the Overview & Scrutiny Committee discuss and agree their work programme for 2013/14 based on the list of possible areas in section 4 of the attached report.
- 3.2 That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee approve the list of possible areas for the Panels to scrutinise in 2013/14. (These lists will then be discussed by each of the Panels to ensure that the work programme for each Panel is manageable.)

4. Other options considered

4.1 Not applicable.

5. Background information

- 5.1 The Overview & Scrutiny Committee is required to produce and agree a plan of work that it intends to carry out in the forthcoming Municipal Year 2013/14.
- 5.3 A local consultation process has been undertaken in the development of the work programme for all scrutiny bodies. In developing the work programme it is intended that suggested items for possible scrutiny in the year ahead:
 - Complement the priorities and work of the Council and its partners;
 - Reflect the concerns of local communities; and,
 - Identifies those issues where scrutiny can add value and have most impact.
- 5.4 The proposed work programme is indicative, as items will need to be scoped and agreed by the relevant scrutiny body prior to commencement of any scrutiny work.
- 5.5 As outlined in the Council Constitution (Part 4, Section G, 1.2 OSC Terms of Reference) the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is responsible for approving the work programme for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Panels in order to ensure that time is effectively and efficiently utilised. Therefore:
 - Any scoping reports for project work to be undertaken by Scrutiny Panels will be approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee at a future meeting;
 - Any additions to the work programme outlined in this report will be approved by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee prior to commencement.

6. Comments of the Chief Financial Officer and Financial Implications

To follow

7 Head of Legal Services and Legal Implications

7.1 The consideration and approval of the work programme for 2013/14 complies with Rule 8 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules and Paragraph 5.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Protocol. There are no immediate legal implications arising from the report.

8. Equalities and Community Cohesion Comments

- 8.1 Overview and scrutiny has a strong community engagement role and aims to regularly involve local stakeholders, including residents, in its work. It undertakes this in a number of ways;
 - It seeks and articulates the views of members of the local community and their representatives on issues of local concern. It also provides a means of bringing these to the attention of decision makers and incorporate them into policies and strategies;
 - It identifies and engages with hard to reach groups;
 - It helps to develop consensus by seeking to reconcile differing views and developing a shared view of the way forward;

- the evidence generated by scrutiny helps to identify the kind of services wanted by local people;
- It promotes openness and transparency; all meetings are held in public and documents are available to local people.

9. Head of Procurement Comments

9.1 Not applicable.

10. Policy Implications

10.1 It is intended that the work of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and its Panels will contribute and add value to the work of the Council and its partners in meeting locally agreed priorities.

11. Use of Appendice

Appendix A - Scrutiny bodies: roles and service areas.

Appendix B – OSC Work Programme development report

Appendix C - Meeting dates of scrutiny bodies

12. Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985

Overview & Scrutiny 2012/13: Structure and Work Programme

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Overview & Scrutiny Committee is required to produce and agree an annual plan of work.
- 1.3 The following report outlines the work programmes for the main Overview & Scrutiny Committee as well as scrutiny panels. It is intended that this will provide a preliminary guide to the work of all these scrutiny bodies throughout 2013/14.

2. The role, function and service areas covered by scrutiny bodies

- 2.1 Within the Overview & Scrutiny structure, there is one overarching Overview and Scrutiny Committee and four scrutiny panels. Scrutiny panels will have responsibility for scrutinising their own discrete areas of work, which are:
 - Adults & Health;
 - Children & Young People;
 - Communities; and
 - Environment & Housing.
- 2.2 The scrutiny role and policy areas that will be scrutinised by Overview & Scrutiny Committee and individual scrutiny panels are described in Appendix A.
- 2.3 All scrutiny bodies will perform similar scrutiny roles within their area of responsibility, which will include:
 - Holding the Cabinet and other local decision making bodies to account (e.g. Cabinet Question and Answer sessions, North London Waste Authority):
 - Performance monitoring;
 - Assisting in the development or review of policies; and
 - Budget scrutiny.

3. Development of the scrutiny work programme 2013/14

- 3.1 It is important that the work of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels assists the Council and its partners in meeting agreed local priorities. In this context, the work of scrutiny bodies should complement (and not duplicate) any work being undertaken elsewhere to help achieve local priorities.
- 3.2 In determining the issues to be considered by scrutiny bodies, priority should also be given to those areas where the scrutiny process has potential to add value¹ to the work of the Council or its partners through making achievable recommendations for improvement.

¹ For example through public engagement, stakeholder involvement or non party political scrutiny (political consensus).

- 3.3 In order to ensure that issues selected for scrutiny are consistent with the priorities of the Council and its partners *and* reflect the concerns of the community, key stakeholders have been consulted in the development of the scrutiny work programme. These have included:
 - Cabinet Members and senior Council officers;
 - Chairs of Area Committees:
 - All other non executive Members:
 - Local partner agencies (e.g. health, housing, police, fire brigade, voluntary sector); and
 - Local residents associations, community groups.
- 3.4 An analysis of the consultation process including a breakdown of areas identified as a priority for scrutiny and specific topic suggestions can be found at Appendix B.
- 3.5 In developing the work programme Cabinet Members and senior officers have been asked to help identify suitable items for scrutiny involvement, which have included:
 - Forthcoming strategies or policies which may benefit from scrutiny involvement;
 - Performance reports;
 - Progress reports on key council priorities; and
 - Annual service reports or inspection reports.
- 3.6 There may also be issues or topics which may benefit from more indepth scrutiny by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or individual Scrutiny Panels. Where such issues have been identified, these will be need to be scoped and a necessary project plan put in place which can then be managed by the relevant scrutiny body and support officer.
- 3.7 Occasionally events occur which may necessitate an urgent report to Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Scrutiny Panel. Whilst such reports cannot be planned, there is a need to allocate sufficient time within the scrutiny work programme for consideration of unforeseen events or topical issues as and when they arise.

4. The work programme for Overview & Scrutiny 2013/14

- 4.1 The Scrutiny protocol indicates that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee shall meet 6 times per annum, one meeting which is dedicated to budget scrutiny. Ordinarily, Scrutiny Panels shall meet 5 times each year, one of which is dedicated to scrutinising the budget in their areas of responsibility. The programme of scheduled meetings for all scrutiny bodies is contained in Appendix C.
- 4.2 Following the consultation processes outlined above, the following provides an outline of issues which have been identified for inclusion within the various work programmes of scrutiny bodies. At this stage, many of the following are proposals and will need to be scoped and agreed prior to commencement of any scrutiny work.

Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Theme/Topic	Focus of scrutiny involvement
Impact of welfare benefit changes	Area of focus to be scoped for discussion at OSC
St Ann's Hospital Site	Redevelopment of site
Lee Valley Regeneration Park Authority	Coordination of plans for regeneration of Tottenham and links with other Authorities
Jobs Support Market	Fragmentation of support Care leavers
Customer Services	Area of focus to be scoped for discussion at OSC
North London Waste Authority	To follow on from initial conversations in 2012/13
One off reports	
High Streets	TBA
Treasury Management Strategy Statement	Part 4, Section G of the Council Constitution states that "The OSC shall be responsible for scrutinising the draft Treasury Management Strategy Statement (TMSS) annually before its adoption by full Council, in accordance with the Council's Constitution (Part 4 Section I)."
Review updates	 Corporate parenting Breast Screening Men's Health Registered Social Landlords Children missing from care and home

Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel

One off reports	
111 and Out of Hours services	Roll out and performance
Francis Report	'Quality Assurance' on CCG plans to ensure Trusts are meeting recommendations
GP access	To consider work being done by the Haringey CCG on improving access to GPs.
Voluntary Sector Commissioning	Support to the voluntary sector
Framework	
Care and Support Bill	
Healthwatch	
Whittington Health – Integrated Care	
Strategy	
Primary Care Strategy	
Winterbourne View	Safeguarding
NHS Health checks	Progress update

Project work	
Mental Health	 Possible areas of focus: Proposed changes to the way the 'front end' works within BEHMHT Residential / supported living provision in the borough Access to primary care for people with MH issues Physical health for people with MH Recovery College at Clarendon, how it fits into with the multiagency recovery pathway
Dementia	Joined up care pathways and partnership arrangements
Ongoing	
Francis Report	
St Ann's site redevelopment	Health services aspects

Children and Young Peoples Scrutiny Panel

Strategies:	School Improvement Early Years (inc. Children Centres) Strategic Place Planning Early Help Services to Schools/Outstanding for All Action Plan Children and Young People's Plan School Expansion
Other Issues:	Advice to Young People in Schools School Improvement – Academies and Role of Sponsor Judicial Review - Safeguarding Case and Action Arising Early Help Offer/Troubled Families Haringey 54000 Social Work Training and Recruitment Development of Fostering Service Adoption C&YPS Restructuring
Project	Services to Schools Fostering/iMPOWER
Items for 16 July Meeting	Action Plan for Child Poverty Draft Early Help Policy (to be confirmed) Haringey 54000 Update on Social Work Training and Recruitment – Briefing on Frontline

	Judicial Review - Safeguarding Case and Action Arising C&YPS - Changes Education Commission – Outstanding for All – progress with recommendations
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Communities Scrutiny Panel

Cabinet Member and Chair of Panel are due to meet on Wed 19th June to discuss work of the Panel.

Environment and Housing Scrutiny Panel

Theme	Objectives
Strategic enforcement	 Audit of enforceable functions Establish principles for enforcement (e.g. risk, cost, public interest) Actions to support coordinated enforcement (e.g. data sharing
	protocols, partnership working)
Registered Social Landlords	Performance (repairs /voids)
	 Update on previous review
Community engagement with planning process	Best practiceWhat happens in other authorities?
process	• What happens in other authorities:

- 4.3 A more detailed work programme, based on the above list and detailing issues to be covered within the timetable of each scrutiny body will be produced in discussion with the Chair and membership of relevant scrutiny bodies.
- 4.4 As outlined in the Council Constitution (Part 4, Section G, 1.2 OSC Terms of Reference) the Overview and Scrutiny Committee is responsible for approving the work programme for the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Panels to ensure that time is effectively and efficiently utilised. Therefore:
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5. Cabinet Member Involvement

5.1 Cabinet Members will be invited to attend the relevant Committee *or* Panel(s) to answer questions from their portfolio area. Cabinet Members may be accompanied and assisted by any officers as they wish.

5.2 Cabinet Members will attend the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and/or the relevant Scrutiny Panel twice per year for Cabinet Member questions, and once for Budget Scrutiny.

6. Budget Scrutiny

- 6.1 As per protocol, the Vice Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee shall be responsible for the co-ordination of the Budget Scrutiny process and recommendations made by respective Scrutiny Review Panels relating to the budget.
- 6.2 The budget will be scrutinised by each Scrutiny Review Panel in their respective areas and subsequent reports produced from their deliberations shall go to the Overview & Scrutiny Committee for approval. The areas of the budget which are not covered by the scrutiny panels shall also be considered by the main Overview & Scrutiny Committee.
- 6.3 To allow the OSC to scrutinise the budget in advance of it formally being set and convey those recommendations to the Cabinet, the following timescale is suggested:

26 th June 2013	Government Spending Review
9 th July 2013	Cabinet – Financial Planning 2014/15-2016/17
December 2013 Scrutiny Panels: E&H - 2 nd Dec CSP - 2 nd Dec CYP - 5 th Dec A&H - 12 th Dec OSC: 16 th Dec	Scrutiny Panels and OSC scrutinise MTFP and any budget saving identified in their area of responsibility. Cabinet Member for Finance/ Snr. officers attend to answer questions
Dec 2012- Jan 2013	Formulation of reports with recommendations by Policy Officers
23 rd January	Final Budget Scrutiny Report approved by OSC
11 th February	Cabinet. The OSC recommendations from the Budget Scrutiny process, ratified by the OSC, shall be fed back to Cabinet. As part of the budget setting process, the Cabinet will clearly set out its response to the recommendations/ proposals made by the OSC in relation to the budget.
26 th February	Budget setting at Full Council

7. Representations from Area Chairs

7.1 As outlined in the Overview and Scrutiny Protocol there shall be a standing item on OSC meeting agendas to receive feedback from Area Committees. Area Committee Chairs shall also be able to attend OSC meetings, and ask questions.

Appendix A – Scrutiny bodies: roles and service areas.

Scrutiny body	Exec Lead	Scrutiny roles	Policy service /areas covered
Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chair: Cllr Bull	Cabinet Leader & Portfolio holder Cllr Goldberg Cllr Strickland Chief Executive Stuart Young Zina Etheridge Julie Parker	 Cabinet Q & A Scrutiny work programme Ratifying reports of Panels Budget Scrutiny Borough wide/cross cutting topics Call-in CCFA Updates on previous reviews Updates from scrutiny panels 	 Corporate Policy & Strategy Council Budget Council strategy & performance Corporate property Communications IT Customer Services Benefits Legal services Regeneration Employment/worklessness Community cohesion Tottenham Regeneration Project St Ann's redevelopment Partnership arrangements Child poverty Carbon reduction
Adults and Health Chair: Cllr Adamou	Cabinet Cllr Vanier Directors: Mun Thong Phung Jeanelle de Gruchy	 Cabinet Q & A Performance Policy and strategy Budget scrutiny Updates on previous scrutiny reviews Substantial variations (health) 	 Adult social care Public Health Link with CCG Health and Wellbeing Board Adult health services Children's health services Transition Changes to service provision Voluntary sector
Children and Young People Chair: Cllr Newton	Cabinet Cllr Waters Cllr Goldberg Directors: Libby Blake	 Cabinet Q & A Performance Policy and strategy Budget scrutiny Updates on previous scrutiny reviews 	 Looked after Children Fostering and adoption Education e.g. exam results & school improvements Youth offending Safeguarding Effectiveness of partnership working
Housing and Environment Chair: CIIr McNamara	Cabinet Cllr Bevan Cllr Canver Directors: Mun Thong Phung Lyn Garner	 Cabinet Q & A Performance Policy and strategy Budget scrutiny Updates on previous scrutiny reviews 	 Recycling and waste management Highways Sustainable transport Parking Parks and Open spaces Planning & Licensing Enforcement Strategic housing policy, social housing, housing allocations.
Communities Chair: Cllr Winskill	Cabinet Cllr Watson Director/ACE: Zina Etheridge Lyn Garner	 Cabinet Q & A Performance Policy and strategy Budget scrutiny Updates on previous scrutiny reviews 	 Crime and disorder Libraries Culture Leisure Equalities Domestic violence Area Forums and Committees

Appendix C – Meeting dates of scrutiny bodies

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

17 th June	Lead officers:
7 th October	Melanie Ponomarenko, Senior Scrutiny
25 th November	Officer, 0208 489 2933
16 th December (budget)	melanie.ponomarenko@haringey.gov.uk
23 rd January	Martin Bradford, Senior Scrutiny Officer,
17 th March	martin.bradford@haringey.gov.uk
	0208 489 6950

Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel

16 th July	Lead officer
26 th September	Rob Mack, Senior Scrutiny Officer, 0208 489
28 th November	2921, rob.mack@haringey.gov.uk
5 th December (budget)	
27 th February	

Communities Scrutiny Panel

25 th July	Lead officer
30 th September	Rob Mack, Senior Scrutiny Officer, 0208 489
7 th November	2921, rob.mack@haringey.gov.uk
2 nd December (budget)	
6 th March	

Adults and Health Scrutiny Panel

29 th July	Lead officer:
19 th September	Melanie Ponomarenko, Senior Scrutiny
11 th November	Officer, 0208 489 2933,
12 th December (budget)	melanie.ponomarenko@haringey.gov.uk
27 th February	

Environment & Housing Scrutiny Panel

2 nd July	Lead officer:	
26 th September	Martin Bradford, Senior Scrutiny Officer, 0208	
12 th November	489 6950	
2 nd December (budget)	martin.bradford@haringey.gov.uk	
24 th February		