

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 14 JUNE 2016

REPORT BY CHAIRMAN OF HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE

HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK
PROGRAMME – PLANNING FOR 2016/17

WARD(S) AFFECTED: *none*

Purpose/Summary of Report

- To review and determine Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee's (HWSC) future work programme for 2016/17

RECOMMENDATION FOR DECISION:

That:

(A)	the work programme shown in this report be agreed
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1.0 Background

- 1.1 Items previously required, identified or suggested for the Panel work programme are set out in **Essential Reference Paper 'B'**. Terms of reference for the committee can also be found here.
- 1.2 To support members in their reading of health and wellbeing related reports and in discussions with speakers from partner agencies the attached **Essential Reference Paper 'C'** offers a quick checklist to the abbreviations and acronyms in common use. Updates and corrections made since the previous version of this publication are shown in italics.
- 1.3 The Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee was established at Annual Council last year, in recognition of the importance placed by the authority on the health and wellbeing of its residents. Health and wellbeing is now a corporate priority.

2.0 Report

- 2.1 The draft work programme, as presented here in **Essential Reference Paper 'B'**, was considered to be comprehensive and cover all the main issues at the time. The timing of some items may have to change depending on availability of external speakers and essential data.
- 2.2 At the 16 February 2016 meeting, the previous committee agreed that it would like to invite the locality leads from East and North Herts CCG to present on the NHS's strategic shift to prevention. This has been included on the November agenda.
- 2.3 Members are asked whether there are any additional topics they wish to suggest for consideration. It has been agreed that scrutiny topics should be those where there is real scope for influencing change but after that Members can ask to examine any issue that they believe to be:
- Of local public health concern
 - Linked to the council's vision and priorities
 - Capable of being influenced
 - Not being scrutinised by another body
- 2.4 The council's new corporate priorities 2016/17 – 2019/20 are shown below. When suggesting a topic, Members should be able to identify what benefits they hope to achieve for the priority.

Vision – To preserve the unique character of East Herts and ensure it remains one of the best places to live and work	
Priority and outcomes we want to see:	
Priority 1 – Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities	Residents living active and healthy lives
	Support for our vulnerable families and individuals
	Communities engaged in local issues
Priority 2 – Enhance the quality of people's lives	Attractive places
	Future development best meets the need of the district and its residents
Priority 3 – Enable a flourishing local economy	Support for our businesses and the local economy
	Vibrant town centres

	Working with others, to have achieved the right infrastructure for our businesses and communities
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- 2.5 Members are advised to be alert to topics being considered by the Executive (listed on the Committees Work Programme for 2016/17 <http://democracy.eastherts.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=158&RD=0>)
- 2.6 Members are also asked whether they wish to extend an invitation to one or more Executive members to present on a specific topic or attend a particular meeting.
- 2.7 Members are asked whether there is any training relevant to scrutiny or to the function/remit of HWS as a committee which they would like to have arranged. This could be done as a separate session open to all scrutiny members or as an item on a future HWS agenda (as appropriate).
- 3.0 Implications/Consultations
- 3.1 Information on any corporate issues and consultation associated with this report can be found within **Essential Reference Paper 'A'**.

Background Papers

None

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