

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE: 28 MARCH 2017

REPORT BY CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY SCRUTINY

SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

WARD(S) AFFECTED: none

Purpose/Summary of Report

- To consider the items on the work programme for the existing Community Scrutiny Committee, in the context of changes to the scrutiny committee system.

RECOMMENDATION COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:

That:

(A)	items from the work programme for Community Scrutiny Committee be included in the Scrutiny Committee Work plans under the new scrutiny system .
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1.0 Background

- 1.1 Items previously required, identified or suggested for the Community Scrutiny work programme are set out in **Essential Reference Paper “B”**.
- 1.2 A report on the changes to scrutiny was considered at the Joint Scrutiny Committee meeting on 14 February 2017 and changes to the way in which the Council undertakes scrutiny were recommended. ([140217 Joint Scrutiny Report on Proposed Changes to Scrutiny](#)) These recommendations were agreed by Council on 1 March 2017, with the changes to be implemented from 1 May 2017.
- 1.3 When the proposed changes to the Scrutiny system are implemented, Members of each scrutiny committee will work together to devise their own Workplan.

- 1.4 All Members are invited to attend training on 'Designing a Scrutiny Programme' on 30 March 2017 at 7pm.
- 2.0 Report
- 2.1 The existing draft work programme for meetings of Community Scrutiny Committee is shown in **Essential Reference Paper B**. Members are asked to consider the outstanding topics drafted for 2017/18 and whether they recommend their inclusion in the Scrutiny Committee Workplans under the proposed new system.
- 2.2 Members are asked whether there is any additional topic they wish to put forward for future scrutiny. The scrutiny topic suggestion form is attached as **Essential Reference Paper C**.
- 2.3 Members are asked whether they have any training needs relevant to scrutiny.
- 2.4 Member comments and feedback have been included in the Scrutiny Review process, which has informed the changes to scrutiny arrangements. Members are also invited to submit any specific feedback on scrutiny work and outcomes in 2016/17, which will feed into the annual scrutiny report.
- 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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