

EAST HERTS COUNCIL

PERFORMANCE, AUDIT AND GOVERNANCE SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE: 26 SEPTEMBER 2017

REPORT BY CHAIRMAN OF PERFORMANCE, AUDIT AND
GOVERNANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME

WARD(S) AFFECTED: *none*

Purpose/Summary of Report

- To review and determine Performance, Audit & Governance (PAG) Committee's future work programme

RECOMMENDATION FOR DECISION:

That:

(A)	that 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 PAG work programme are set out in **Essential Reference Paper B**.

1.2 Scrutiny committees have the power of influence and are entitled to review and scrutinise the decisions and functions of the Council and the Executive. Members of the scrutiny committees serve as 'critical friends' and can make recommendations to the Executive.

2.0 Report

2.1 The draft agenda for 2017/18 meetings of PAG Committee is shown in **Essential Reference Paper B**. The timing of some items shown may be subject to change depending on availability of essential data (eg. from central government).

2.2 Members are asked whether there are any additional topics they wish to put forward for inclusion on any future agenda. Suggestions

can be made at the meeting and by completing the form attached as **Essential Reference Paper C** and submitting to the Scrutiny Officer. The Committee contributed suggestions and selected new topics for consideration at the work programme planning workshop held on 15 June 2017. Once a topic has been proposed and selected by the Committee, the Scrutiny Officer will liaise with the lead officer (in consultation with the Scrutiny Chairman) to establish the best way to address the subject and scope the scrutiny.

- 2.3 Members are also asked whether they wish to extend an invitation to one or more of the Executive members to attend a particular meeting or for a specific agenda item. It was agreed that the Executive Member for Finance and Support Services be invited to give a presentation on the portfolio and answer questions and it is suggested that this take place on 16 January 2018.
- 2.4 Members are asked whether there is any training relevant to scrutiny or to the function/remit of PAG as a committee which they would like to request. This could be completed as a separate session open to all scrutiny members or as an item on a future PAG agenda (as appropriate). Training on the Shared Anti-Fraud Service is planned to take place at the beginning of the meeting on 13 March 2018.
- 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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