

**Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Subject: Programme of Portfolio Holder Attendance**

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## **1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

- I. To consider the areas of responsibility of the Portfolio Holder Community Development, Councillor Gary Gregory, as part of the rolling programme of Portfolio Holder attendance.
- II. To discuss areas for examination which are responsibility of the Leader and Deputy Leader for the July committee?

## **2. BACKGROUND**

At the 20<sup>th</sup> July 2015 Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Members agreed to continue with a programme of attendance by Portfolio Holders, and relevant officers, at committee. Areas of performance, within each portfolio for examination, would be identified, and questions for the Portfolio Holder submitted in advance of each meeting. 'Ad hoc' questions could also be put forward at the meeting itself. Non-executive Members are also invited to submit questions for the Portfolio Holder.

## **3. 2016/2017 PROGRAMME OF PORTFOLIO HOLDER ATTENDANCE**

Councillor Gary Gregory, Portfolio Holder for Community, is attending the committee to discuss areas of responsibility in his Portfolio which include:

- Community Centres
- Neighbourhood working
- Community Events

- Arts, culture and play
- Community engagement and consultation, including liaison with the voluntary sector and Parish Councils
- Equalities
- Members 'services including Member training and development

A customised report detailing performance outcomes for Q3 for the above Portfolio is attached at **Appendix 1**.

### **3.1 Questions received in advance of the committee**

The following areas for discussion have been submitted in advance of the committee:

- Why are there no performance indicators for this Portfolio?
- Gedling Youth Council. How do you "ensure young people are an integral part of the Council's decision making progress"?
- How are you building a positive relationship with our parish councils and communities?
- Progress of the asset transfer, disposal of the GBC community centres"?
- Implement Locality Plans in the Council's priority neighbourhoods – What does this entail, which neighbourhoods and how are they chosen?
- Implement Actions to support the Councils Armed Forces Community Covenant – what action has been taken?

## **4. FUTURE PORTFOLIO HOLDER ATTENDANCE**

Councillor John Clarke Leader of the Council, and Councillor Michael Payne Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Resources and Reputation, will be attending the next meeting of the committee to give Members the opportunity to examine their areas of responsibility.

### **Leader of the Council**

#### **Councillor John Clarke**

- Overall strategy and delivery of agreed Council priorities and objectives.

- Oversight of all Cabinet responsibilities.
- Building and developing relationships with partners at a local, regional, national and international level to pursue matters of interest to the Council and the community.
- Representing the interests of the Council and the wider community on the Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Combined Authority, East Midlands Council, and other key strategic local, regional and national bodies.
- Oversight of the Council's Collaboration Agreement with Newark and Sherwood and Rushcliffe Councils.
- Building and maintaining positive relationships with and between elected Members and employees.
- Promoting and encouraging effective corporate governance and the highest standards of probity.

## **Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Resources& Reputation**

### **Councillor Michael Payne**

- Budget strategy, financial management and local taxation.
- Asset Management, including the Council's investment property, sales and purchase of land
- Communications, marketing and promotion.
- Media relations.
- Customer Services, information and communications technology

Members are asked to consider which service areas they would like to examine. If they have any specific issues they would like addressed Members are requested to submit questions in advance of the meeting.

Customised reports detailing performance outcomes for Q3 are attached at **Appendix 2** to assist Members' identify areas for consideration.

## **5. RECOMMENDATION**

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is recommended to:

- consider, ask questions and comment on the information provided
- thank Councillor Gregory and other guests for their attendance
- identify areas in the for examination at the July Committee

## **APPENDICIES**

**Appendix 1: Q3 Community Development**

**Appendix 2: Q3 Leader & Deputy Leader**