

**Report to: Overview and Scrutiny Committee**

**Subject:** Scrutiny Work Programme

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## **1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

To provide an update on the current scrutiny work programme.

### **Recommendation(s)**

**That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee:**

- 1) Consider the information updates from previous committees**
- 2) Consider and agree the final report and recommendations of the Flooding working group.**
- 3) Note the update on the Domestic Abuse working group**
- 4) Consider and discuss the scrutiny work programme; and**
- 5) Consider if there are any issues in the Forward Plan which require additional information.**

## **2 2020/2021 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME**

### **2.1 Information updates form earlier committees**

Additional information relating to these two initiatives was requested at the March Committee

- 1. ABL (A Better Life) – Your Health Your Way Nottinghamshire’s Integrated Wellbeing Service**  
Information regarding this service is attached at **Appendix 1.**
- 2. One Step at a Time.** Information regarding this project is attached

at **Appendix 2**.

Members are invited to examine the information provided and consider if they have any additional questions.

### **3. Scrutiny Working Groups**

#### **3.1 Flooding**

Working group members: Councillors Boyle, Clunie, Greensmith, Paling, M Smith and S Smith.

The final report and recommendations arising from the working group are attached at **Appendix 3**. Subject to the approval of this Committee, the report will be submitted to the Cabinet meeting on the 20<sup>th</sup> May. A response to the recommendations will be available at the September Committee. The relevant Portfolio Holder will be asked to provide a written response within 28 days of the meeting

#### **3.2 Domestic Abuse and Access to Emergency Accommodation**

Working group members: Councillors Boyle, Clunie, Rachael Ellis, Roxanne Ellis and Paling.

Representatives from JUNO Women's Aid attended the last meeting of the working group and discussed the support they provide to victims of abuse and their families. The rise in requests for support due to the lockdown and the need for additional accommodation, particularly permanent move on accommodation, were highlighted. Members will be discussing accommodation issues at their next meeting with officers from this authority.

### **4 Scrutiny in Committee**

3.1 The scrutiny work programme for 2020/21 attached at **Appendix 5**. This programme has now concluded with the exception of the working group considering temporary accommodation and domestic abuse which will be meeting shortly to draft a final report and recommendations.

4.2 It has previously been agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee that the on-going scrutiny of specific service areas within individual Portfolios would be dealt with at the Scrutiny Committee itself, rather than

in working groups. To enable this a programme of attendance by Portfolio Holders and relevant Corporate Directors for 2020/21 can be arranged. Members will be asked prior to each meeting which specific service areas they would like to examine. Questions for Portfolio Holders will be requested in advance of each meeting, however 'ad hoc' questions may be put forward at the meeting itself.

- 4.3 Members are asked to consider if they would like to continue with this programme, which Portfolio Holders they would like to invite, and to discuss and make suggestions for service areas they would like to examine at future meetings.
- 4.4. A copy of the Forward Plan which sets out details of key and non-key decisions which the Cabinet, individual portfolio holders or officers expect to take during the next four months period is attached at **Appendix 2**. A key decision is one that has financial implication over £500,000 or one that affects two or more wards. This is included to make members aware of planned decisions and to assist them to consider if there are any decisions about which they may want further information.

## **5 Financial Implications**

- 5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

## **6 Legal Implications**

- 6.1 There are no legal implication arising from this report.

## **7 Equalities Implications**

- 7.1 There are no equality implications arising from this report.

## **8 Carbon Reduction/Environmental Sustainability Implications**

- 8.1 There are no carbon reduction/environmental sustainability implications arising from this report.

## **9 Appendices**

Appendix 1: ABL (A Better Life) – Your Health Your Way  
Nottinghamshire's Integrated Wellbeing Service

Appendix 2: One Step at a Time –Summary Document.

Appendix 3: Flooding working group report

Appendix 4: Committee 2020/21 Work Programme

Appendix 5: Forward Plan February 2021 – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2021.