Meeting: Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date: 23 September 2014

Subject: Work Programme 2014 – 2015 & Executive Forward Plan

Report of: Chief Executive

Summary: The report provides Members with details of the currently drafted

Committee work programme and the latest Executive Forward Plan.

Contact Officer: Rebecca Preen, Scrutiny Officer

Public/Exempt: Public

Wards Affected: All

Function of: Council

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS

Council Priorities:

The work programme of the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee will contribute indirectly to all 5 Council priorities. Whilst there are no direct implications arising from this report the implications of proposals will be details in full in each report submitted to the Committee.

RECOMMENDATION(S):

- 1. that the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee
 - (a) considers and approves the work programme attached, subject to any further amendments it may wish to make;
 - (b) considers the Executive Forward Plan; and
 - (c) considers whether it wishes to add any further items to the work programme and/or establish any Task Forces to assist it in reviewing specific items.

Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme

- 1. Attached is the currently drafted work programme for the Committee.
- 2. The Committee is now requested to consider the work programme attached and amend or add to it as necessary.

Overview and Scrutiny Task Forces

3. In addition to consideration of the work programme, Members may also wish to consider how each item will be reviewed i.e. by the Committee itself (over one or a number of Committee meetings) or by establishing a Member Task Force to review an item in greater depth and report back its findings.

Executive Forward Plan

4. Listed below are those items relating specifically to this Committee's terms of reference contained in the latest version of the Executive's Forward Plan to ensure Members are fully aware of the key issues Executive Members will be taking decisions upon in the coming months. The full Executive Forward Plan can be viewed on the Council's website at the link at the end of this report.

Ref	Issue	Indicative Exec Meeting date
1.	Corporate Asset Management Strategy - To seek approval of a refreshed strategy for corporate asset management covering the period 2014 to 2016	14 October 2014
2.	To approve the Fees and Charges Policy.	14 October 2014
3.	Stratton Business Park Phases 4 & 5 – to consider the land Disposals and Development Opportunities for Stratton Park Phases 4 & 5	14 October 2014
4.	Electricity and Gas Supply Contracts - To consider and approve the approach to the Council's energy contracts for the period post October 2016.	9 December 2014
5.	West of A1 Stotfold - Approval to dispose of land including selection of appropriate methodology.	9 December 2014
6.	NNDR Discretionary Relief Policy - To approve the NNDR Discretionary Relief Policy.	13 January 2015
Non	Key Decisions	
7.	Quarter 1 Performance Report	14 October 2014
8.	Medium Term Financial Plan Fees and Charges	14 October 2014
9.	Council Tax Support Scheme	9 December 2014
10.	Quarter 2 Budget Monitoring	9 December 2014
11.	Quarter 2 Performance Report	13 January 2015
12.	Draft Budget 2015/16	13 January 2015
13.	Budget 2015/16	10 February 2015
14.	Treasury Management Strategy	10 February 2015
15.	Quarter 3 Budget Monitoring	10 February 2015
16.	To consider the quarter 3 performance report.	31 March 2015

Conclusion

Members are requested to consider and agree the attached work programme, subject to any further amendments/additions they may wish to make and highlight those items within it where they may wish to establish a Task Force to assist the Committee in its work. This will allow officers to plan accordingly but will not preclude further items being added during the course of the year if Members so wish and capacity exists.

Appendix – Corporate Resources Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme.

Background reports:

Executive Forward Plan (can be viewed at any time on the Council's website) at the following **link:-** http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk/modgov/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=577&RD=0