

People Scrutiny Panel

Meeting Date:

06/10/2022

Portfolio:

Cross-cutting

Key Decision:

Policy and Budget

Framework

No

Public / Private

Public

Title:

Overview Report

Report of:

Policy and Scrutiny Officer

Report Number:

OS.22/22

Purpose / Summary:

This report provides an overview of matters related to the Scrutiny Panel's work. It also includes the latest version of the work programme.

Recommendations:

Members are asked to:

- Note the items within Panel remit on the most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions and comment on
- Note the current work programme, work planning activity and comment on the programme, in particular on items for the next Panel meeting.

Tracking

Executive:	Not applicable
Scrutiny:	People 06/10/22
Council:	Not applicable

1. Notice of Key Decisions

1.1. The most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions was published on 26 August 2022. This was circulated to all Members and is available on the CMIS section of the Council's webpages. The following items fall within the remit of this Panel:

Items that are included in the Panel's work programme:

- None

Items that are not included in the Panel's work programme:

- None

2. References from the Executive

2.1. None

3. Progress on resolutions from previous meetings

3.1. The following table sets out the meeting date and resolution that requires following up. The status is presented as either "completed", "pending" (date expected), or "outstanding". An item is considered outstanding if no update or progress has been made after three panel meetings. All the completed actions will be removed from the list following the meeting.

	Meeting	Minute	Action	Status
	date	reference		
1	09/06/22	PEP.10/22	2) That arrangements be made for the Panel to undertake a site visit of the Sands Centre prior to the soft opening.	Pending
2	14/07/22	PEP.21/22	4) That a Cost of Living Crisis Task and Finish Group be established to investigate further the impact of the cost of living crisis and food security on residents. The Task and Finish Group would provide evidence based reports which would be submitted to the Cumberland Council.	Complete
3	14/07/22	PEP.22/22	2) That the work of the CAB and the statistical information they hold be incorporated into the work of the Cost of Living Crisis T&F Group;	Pending
4	14/07/22	PEP. 22/22	3) That the Panel asked, in light of the current cost of living crisis and the impact on demand for services, that the Executive give consideration to increasing the Carlisle City Council grant funding to the Citizens Advice Bureau.	Complete
5	14/07/22	PEP.23/22	2) That the communications channels for the support available be enhanced and promoted through local and social media;	Complete
6	14/07/22	PEP.23/22	3) That the work being undertaken by the Strategic Policy and Scrutiny Adviser be incorporated into the Cost of Living Crisis Task and Finish Group.	Pending

7	14/07/22	PEP.24/22	2) That the Healthy City Team Manager circulate a copy of the Thriving Communities Evaluation Report 2021/22 to all Members of the Panel.	Complete
8	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	1) That the Deputy Chief Executive provide a written response to the Panel setting out the costs of mothballing the Turkish Baths and confirming the current operational costs	Pending
9	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	2) That Scrutiny recommended the Council to consider a Meanwhile Tenancy.	Pending
10	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	3) That the Deputy Chief Executive provide a written response to the Panel setting out whether the Turkish Baths was included in the Council's UK Shared Prosperity Fund Investment Plan submission.	Pending
11	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	4) That the Executive were asked to convene a multi-disciplinary meeting of all parties, including the the Friends of the Carlisle Victorian and Turkish Baths to discuss the future operation of the Turkish Baths.	Pending
12	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	5) That the Panel ask the Executive to support the allocation of the £400,000 Borderlands funding to future proof the stand alone operation of the Turkish Baths.	Pending
13	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	6) That the Panel ask the Executive to liaise with the NHS to clarify its position with regard to the future use of the 10m as hydrotherapy pool, and advise The Friends of the Carlisle Victorian and Turkish Baths.	Pending
14	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	7) That the Democratic Services Officer circulate to the Panel the minutes of the meeting of the Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Panel of 17 February 2022.	Complete
15	25/08/22	PEP.33/22	8) That a further site visit to the Turkish Baths be arranged for members of the People Panel and members of the Shadow Authority.	Pending
16	25/08/22	PEP.34/22	2) That all staff and partners be encouraged to participate in the consultation on the Cumberland Plan.	Complete
17	25/08/22	PEP.34/22	3) That an offer be made to the Shadow Authority for the People Panel to act as consultee in relation to the equalities processes for the new Cumberland Council.	Pending
18	25/08/22	PEP .35/22	3) That Officers explore if it is possible to accelerate the process for paying new benefits claims given the cost of living crisis.	Pending
19	25/08/22	PEP.36/22	2) That the Policy and Scrutiny Officer write to the Monitoring Officer requesting that the Council's Constitution be amended by removing the following items from the Place Panel remit and adding them to the People Panel remit: - Homelessness; Housing - standards and improvements; Housing advice and support	Complete

4. Update from Cost of Living Task and Finish (T&F) Group

- 4.1 The People Panel Cost of Living T&F has begun work. The group met on 15 September 2022 to agree Terms of Reference and Chair. A workplan was agreed, with themed sessions to consider different aspects of the cost of living crisis. The group aim to report to People Panel on 12 January 2023.
- 4.2 The T&F group met again on 29 September to discuss some early proposals from officers to deliver "quick wins" that could take effect this Autumn. The session focused on energy costs and keeping homes warm. The group received information from expert witnesses to assist their discussion.

5. Contribution to the Carlisle Plan Priorities

5.1. The scrutiny of Carlisle Plan items that fall within the remit of this Panel contribute to ongoing policy development.

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Appendices 1. Draft Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2022-23 attached to report:

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government Act 1972 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers:

None

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS:

LEGAL -

PROPERTY SERVICES -

FINANCE -

EQUALITY – This report raises no explicit issues relating to the public sector Equality Duty **INFORMATION GOVERNANCE –**

APPENDIX 1: Draft Scrutiny Panel Work Programme 2022-23

Date	Title	Lead Officer
09/06/2022	End of Year Performance Report 2021/22	Steven O'Keeffe
	Sickness Absence - end of year report 2021/22	Bibian McRoy
	Provisional Outturn Reports	Steven Tickner
	Healthy City 2022/23 programme and opportunities for broadening approach beyond 2023	Luke Leathers
	Sands Centre Redevelopment - Programme Update and plans for re- opening	Darren Crossley
14/07/2022	Business Rates Outturn 2021/22	Alison Taylor
	Thriving Communities	Jeannie Pasley
	CAB - update presentation on work and issues for local residents	Jeannie Pasley/ Andy Auld (CAB)
	Cumbria County Council Cost of Living Programme	Joel Rasbash (County Council)
	Food Security - Carlisle Foodbank	Jeannie Pasley/ Niall McNulty (Chair Carlisle Foodbank)
25/08/2022	Annual Equality Report	Steven O'Keeffe
	Carlisle Plan - delivery progress/ Performance Report Q1 2022/23	Steven O'Keeffe
	Victorian Baths	Darren Crossley/ Friends Group
	Overview Report - including updates to remit regarding housing	Rowan Jones
TBC – Sept/ Oct?	Site visit to sands centre before soft opening	Darren Crossley
06/10/2022	Budget monitoring Q1 2022/23	Steven Tickner
	Emergency Planning - winter readiness and LGR preparation	Steven O'Keeffe
	Asylum Seekers - Carlisle Refugee Action Group (CRAG) update	Rowan Jones
	Welfare Reform Board - update presentation on work and issues for local residents	Tammie Rhodes
	Local Cycling and Walking Infrastructure Plans (LCWIPs)	Darren Crossley
24/11/2022	Budget monitoring Q2 2022/23	Steven Tickner
	Performance Report Q2 2022/23	Steven O'Keeffe
	Sickness Absence - Q2 2022/23	Bibian McRoy
	Community Centre Sustainability - currently and post LGR	TBC
	Youth Projects and Engagement	
	LGR - support for staff and assurance on proposed arrangements	Bibian McRoy
12/01/2023	Corporate Projects - LGR handover	Jason Gooding
	Corporate Risk Register - LGR handover	Darren Crossley
23/02/2023	Budget monitoring Q3 2022/23	Steven Tickner
	GLL	Luke Leathers
	Scrutiny Annual Report	Rowan Jones

For information reports

Jul-22	Update on IT projects - Part B	Monitoring	D. Strong/ M. Kelly
Aug-22	Sickness Absence - Q1 2022/23	Monitoring	Bibian McRoy
Dec-22	Update on IT projects - Part B	Monitoring	D. Strong/ M.Kelly
Feb-23	Performance Report Q3 2022/23	Monitoring	Steven O'Keeffe
Feb-23	Sickness Absence - Q3 2022/23	Monitoring	Bibian McRoy