



# People Scrutiny Panel

Meeting Date: 25/08/2022  
Portfolio: Cross-cutting  
Key Decision:  
Policy and Budget Framework No  
Public / Private Public  
  
Title: Overview Report  
Report of: Overview and Scrutiny Officer  
Report Number: OS.20/22

## 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 25/08/22
Council:	Not applicable

## 1. Notice of Key Decisions

- 1.1. The most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions was published on 2 July 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 date	Minute reference	Action	Status
1	09/06/22	PEP.05/22	2) That the Homelessness Accommodation Manager write to the Panel setting out how the £100,000 budget pressure was to be addressed and what impact the cost of living crisis may have on the matter.	Complete
2	09/06/22	PEP.06/22	2) That the Corporate Director of Finance and Resources provide written information to the Panel regarding: i) The financial contingencies in place for the Future High Street Fund projects; ii) The potential use of monies allocated for Disabled Facilities Grants that had not been used.	Complete
3	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
4	09/06/22	PEP.11/22	2) That the Healthy City Manager circulated to Members of the Panel details of the Thriving Communities exhibition being held at Tullie House.	Complete
5	09/06/22	PEP.14/22	2) That the Policy and Communications Manager circulate to the Panel further information regarding the progress of the Carlisle Southern Relief Road project.	Complete
6	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	Pending

			provide evidence based reports which would be submitted to the Cumberland Council.	
7	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 Task and Finish Group;	Pending
8	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.	Pending
9	14/07/22	PEP.23/22	2) That the communications channels for the support available be enhanced and promoted through local and social media;	Pending
10	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
11	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.	Pending
12	14/07/22	PEP.26/22	That the Panel asks the Executive to consider how the additional transfer of £425,000 to the General Fund Reserves could be used to support communities and build a solid foundation for the new authority (RD.26/22)	Complete Exec considered and agreed at their meeting of 25/07/22. Minute ref: EX.94/22

#### **4. Changes to Place and People Scrutiny Panel Remits**

- 4.1 Place Scrutiny Panel made a recommendation at their meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> July 2022 that the Chairs of Place and People Panel should meet to discuss changing the remit of some housing issues. This meeting has taken place and the Chairs agreed that the following items would move from the remit of Place Panel to People Panel:
- Homelessness (strategy, hostels, prevention)
  - Housing – empty properties, standards and improvements
  - Housing advice and support

- 4.2 It is anticipated that this move will assist a planned People Panel Task and Finish Group that will consider cost of living issues to take a more holistic view of the matter and to make more effective recommendations.

#### **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	Steven O'Keeffe
	Victorian Baths	Darren Crossley/ Friends Group
	Overview Report - including updates to remit regarding housing	Rowan Jones
TBC - Sept?	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	TBC
	Welfare Reform Board - update presentation on work and issues for local residents	TBC
	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	Performance Report Q1 2022/23	Monitoring	Steven O'Keeffe
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