

Environment & Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Agenda
Item:
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Meeting Date: 19 January 2017
Portfolio: Cross Cutting
Key Decision: No
Within Policy and
Budget Framework
Public / Private Public

Title: OVERVIEW REPORT AND WORK PROGRAMME
Report of: Overview and Scrutiny Officer
Report Number: OS 03/17

Summary:

This report provides an overview of matters related to the Environment and Economy O&S Panel's work. It also includes the latest version of the work programme.

Recommendations:

Members are asked to:

- Note the item (within Panel remit) on the most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions
- Note and/or amend the Panel's work programme

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Appendix attached to
report:

1. References from the Executive
2. Environment & Economy O&S Panel Work Programme 2016/17

1. Notice of Key Executive Decisions

The most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions was published on 20 December 2016. This was circulated to all Members. The following item falls into the remit of this Panel:

Items which have been included in the Panel's Work Programme

KD.21/16 Budget Process 2017/18

This item was on the agenda on 1st December 2016

Items which have not been included in the Panel's Work Programme

None

2. References from the Executive

The following reference from the Executive 19 December is attached at **Appendix 1**.

- EX.128/16 – Charges Reviews

3. Work Programme

The Panel's current work programme is attached at **Appendix 2**. Members are asked to note and/or amend the Panel's work programme and in particular consider the scheduled items for the next meeting.

The following items are scheduled for the next meeting on 2 March 2017:

- Performance Monitoring Report
- Performance Report Options
- Flood Update Report (tentative)
- Local Development Scheme
- Business Plan Development for Carlisle Parks
- Economic Strategy
- Car Parking (tentative)

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 19 DECEMBER 2016

EX.128/16 REVIEW OF CHARGES 2017/18
(Key Decision – KD.21/16)

Portfolio Cross-cutting

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Community; Environment and
Economy; and Resources

Subject Matter

Pursuant to Minutes EX.99/16, EX.100/16, EX.101/16 and EX.102/16, further consideration was given to the Charges Reviews in respect of charges falling within the responsibility of the Community Services; Economic Development; Governance and Regulatory Services Directorates; and the Licensing Section. The proposed charges were contained within Reports SD.27/16, ED.45/16; GD.62/16 and GD.57/16.

Copy Extracts from the Minutes of the meetings of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 24 November 2016 (COSP.79/16); Environment and Economy Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 1 December 2016 (EEO SP.76/16); and Resources Overview and Scrutiny Panel on 6 December 2016 (ROSP.92/16) in respect of the proposed charges were submitted.

An Addendum providing an update to Report SD.27/16 (Charges Review Report – Community Services) and details of the proposed car parking charges for 2017/18 was also submitted. The amended charges specifically related to Paddy's Market; the Sands; and Devonshire Walk (Castle) car parks.

The Deputy Leader, and Finance, Governance and Resources Portfolio Holder began by thanking Members of Overview and Scrutiny for their deliberations which the Executive had considered in detail.

He summarised the issues raised during Members' scrutiny of the draft Charges Review Reports, responding to the key points as follows:

- Talkin Tarn – it was felt that the proposed increase in rate for the Annual Membership Parking Permit at Talkin Tarn (which equated to an increase from 14 pence to 28 pence per day) was excessive. However, the Executive's view was that the increased figure was reasonable, particularly bearing in mind that the revenue received was ring-fenced and spent on Talkin Tarn park.
- Allotments – in response to concerns expressed regarding the proposal to remove the pensioner discount for anyone over 60 years of age and associated health implications, that proposal had been deleted from the Executive's draft Budget Proposals.

In relation to Car Parking Charges, the Deputy Leader explained that the Executive was asked to:

1. approve the charges as set out in the body of Report SD.27/16, relevant appendices and addendum, with effect from 1 April 2017.

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FUTURE ITEMS															
Performance Monitoring Reports Gary Oliver	✓						Monitoring of performance relevant to the remit of Panel	✓		✓		✓		✓	
Performance report options Steven O'Keeffe	✓						To consider changes to improve performance reporting to O&S Panels							✓	
Flood Update Report Darren Crossley				✓		✓	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 01 Dec: Environment Agency / County Council update Future report on options for Civic Centre basement and ground floor and details of the Flood Ready Plan	✓	✓	✓		✓		?	

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Local Development Scheme Jane Meek							Programme for preparing planning policies over the next three years (including Community Infrastructure Levy)								✓	
Business Plan development for Carlisle Parks Phil Gray	✓						Progress of Talkin Tarn Business Plan and emerging Business Plan development of other Parks (Bits Park and Hammonds Pond)			✓					✓	
Performance Monitoring Reports Gary Oliver	✓						Monitoring of performance relevant to the remit of Panel	✓		✓		✓			✓	
Carlisle South Masterplan Garry Legg																✓
Economic Strategy Jane Meek															✓	
Update on Public Realm Improvement Projects Mark Walshe						✓	Update to include new signage, Green Market and the Bandstand				✓					?

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Update on Clean Carlisle Colin Bowley	✓					✓	6 monthly update				✓				✓
Car Parking Gavin Capstick			✓				Update on Car Parking (income vs target income, flood recovery and new ticket machines, and proposed changes/developments)				✓			?	
Rethinking Waste Project Colin Bowley						✓	Update on project progress		✓		✓				?
COMPLETED ITEMS															
NW Coast Connections Project Jane Meek							Consultation on detailed proposal.					✓			

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Discretionary Rate Relief Policy Peter Mason		✓					Consultation regarding discretionary rate relief for difficult to let commercial properties	✓								
Local Enforcement Plan Chris Hardman		✓					To consider the updated Local Enforcement Plan		✓							
Local Plan Jane Meek							Adoption of the Local Plan, and programme for preparing planning policies over the next three years.			✓						