

Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel

Agenda
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Meeting Date: 11th July 2013
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 16/13

Summary:

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

Recommendations:

Members are asked to:

- Decide whether the items on the Notice of Key Executive Decisions should be included in the Panel's Work Programme for consideration.
- Note and/or amend the Panel's work programme

Tracking

Executive:	-
Overview and Scrutiny:	30th May 2013
Council:	-

1. Notice of Key Executive Decisions

The most recent Notice of Key Executive Decisions was published on 31st May 2013. The following issues fall into the remit of this Panel and full details are attached at **Appendix 1: KD015/14 Arts and Culture Strategy** – on the agenda for this meeting of the Panel.

2. References from the Executive

The following reference from the Executive from their meeting held on 30 May 2013 is attached at **Appendix 2**

EX.53/13 – CSP Partnership Plan

Any references from the Executive from their meeting held on 1st July 2013 will be circulated separately as the meeting is to be held after the publish date of this report.

3. Work Programme

The Panel's current work programme is attached at Appendix 2 for comment/amendment. The Panel held a work programming session on the rise of their last meeting on 30th May and the work programme has been amended to reflect the outcomes of that session.

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Appendices attached to report:

- 1. Notice of Key Decision**
- 2. References from the Executive**
- 3. Community O&S Work Programme 2013/14**

Note: in compliance with section 100d of the Local Government (Access to Information) Act 1985 the report has been prepared in part from the following papers:

- None**

CORPORATE IMPLICATIONS/RISKS: None

APPENDIX 1

Items relevant to the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

Notice of Key Decisions to be taken by the Executive

The following key decision is to be made on behalf of Carlisle City Council:

Key Decision Reference:	KD.04/13
Decision Title:	Food Law Enforcement Service Plan
Decision to be taken:	The Executive will be asked to decide the Environmental Health Section's inspection and educational priorities for improving food safety in Carlisle during 2013/14
Date Decision to be considered:	7 May 2013 consultation period to include Overview and Scrutiny as appropriate (EX.40/13)
Date Decision to be taken:	1 July 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public
Documents submitted for consideration in relation to the Decision:	Report LE.11/13 - Food Law Enforcement Plan on 7 May 2013
Contact Officer for this Decision:	Director of Local Environment, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG
Relevant Portfolio Area:	Environment and Transport (Councillor Mrs Martlew)
Relevant or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:	Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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Other documents relevant to the matter may be submitted to the decision maker.

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Items relevant to the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel:

Notice of Key Decisions to be taken by the Executive

The following key decision is to be made on behalf of Carlisle City Council:

Key Decision Reference:	KD.08/13
Decision Title:	Scheme of Housing Assistance (Empty Properties and Disabled Facilities Grants)
Decision to be taken:	The Executive will be asked to amend the Regulatory Reform Order in place to enable the Council to provide grants to the owners of empty property to enable them to be brought back in use under the Empty Property project.
Date Decision to be considered:	7 May 2013 consultation period to include Overview and Scrutiny as appropriate (EX.41/13)
Date Decision to be taken:	1 July 2013
Is the Decision Public or Private?:	The decision will be taken in public
Documents submitted for consideration in relation to the Decision:	Report CD.31/13 - Scheme of Housing Assistance (Empty Properties and Disabled Facilities Grants) on 7 May 2013
Contact Officer for this Decision:	Director of Community Engagement, Carlisle City Council, Civic Centre, Carlisle, CA3 8QG
Relevant Portfolio Area:	Communities and Housing (Councillor Mrs Riddle)
Relevant or Lead Overview and Scrutiny Panel:	Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel

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EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE HELD ON 31 MAY 2013

EX.53/13 **CSP PARTNERSHIP PLAN**
(Key Decision – KD.06/13)

Portfolio Communities and Housing

Relevant Overview and Scrutiny Panel Community

Subject Matter

Pursuant to Minute EX.35/13, the Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder reported (CD.32/13) that the Carlisle and Eden Community Safety Partnership (CSP) (formerly the CDRP) had developed their draft Partnership Plan for 2013/14, a copy of which was attached at Appendix 1 to the report.

The Plan, which formed part of the City Council's Policy Framework and refreshed the existing Plan had been developed by the CSP's Leadership Group, with input from the Director of Community Engagement and herself.

The Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder indicated that the purpose of the report was to present the CSP's work programme for the coming year in the form of their Partnership Plan. Whilst it was presented as a developed document it represented a 'live' work programme – which would develop throughout the year and could be influenced and shaped through the City Council's representation on the CSP's Leadership Group.

The Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel had, on 28 March 2013, considered the matter and resolved that the Carlisle and Eden CSP Partnership Plan 2013-14 Refresh be welcomed.

A copy of Minute Excerpt COSP.30/13 had been circulated.

The Chairman of the Community Overview and Scrutiny Panel was in attendance at the meeting. She outlined the key points of discussion, together with the key priorities for 2013, commenting that there had been a continuing decrease in the incidence of crime. The Panel had in the past looked at the Strategic Assessment with a view to evaluating the previous year, but that had not come before them this time.

The report showed a lowering of crime figures which was good, and demonstrated the outcomes of successful partnership working.

APPENDIX 2

On the issue of domestic abuse, the Chairman advised that a Domestic Champions Network had been established approximately three years ago. She was pleased to see that more victims were now coming forward.

With regard to substance abuse, the Panel was pleased to see that issues continued to be addressed by the two Partnership Task Groups.

In summary, the Chairman confirmed that the Panel had welcomed the report.

In conclusion, the Communities and Housing Portfolio Holder moved that the Executive approve the Partnership Plan and recommend it for consideration and adoption by Council.

The Deputy Leader and Economy and Enterprise Portfolio Holder seconded the recommendation.

Summary of options rejected None

DECISION

That the Executive approved the CSP Partnership Plan and recommended it for approval and adoption by Council.

Reasons for Decision

The Report contributed to the Carlisle Plan priority: We will work more effectively with partners to achieve the City Council's priorities

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Customer Access Strategy			✓												
Community Centres				✓					✓						
FUTURE MEETINGS															
Performance Monitoring Reports	✓						✓		✓		✓		✓		
Tullie House Trust											✓				
Revenue & Benefits Services										✓					
Localisation of Council Tax															
Benefits Advice Service									✓						

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Budget 14/15 - 18/19		✓	✓								✓				
CCTV		✓				✓									
Transformation					✓	✓				✓					
Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership	✓		✓											✓	
Scrutiny Annual Report			✓		✓									✓	
COMPLETED ITEMS															
Shaddongate Resource Centre					✓		Update on provision, services and financial plan	✓							

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Regulatory Reform Order - Empty Property Policy Amendments		✓					Consideration of Executive Report	✓							
INFORMATION ONLY ITEMS															
Details								Date Circulated							