

		AGENDA ITEM 10
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WORK PROGRAMME (Minute 5/ July 2015)		
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This report provides an update on the Committee's activities. At its last meeting the Committee agreed proposals for taking forward its work programme for 2015/17, and identified those topics where it may fulfil a useful scrutiny role.

Overall historical, current and future scheduled activity is also set out in a tracker document, a summary of which is attached at the Appendix.

The following is a summary of current topics where work is underway.

- **September Committee Activity Day**

During its committee activity day on 24 September, the Committee took part in three briefings:

1. Essex and Southend Replacement Waste Local Plan
2. Ringway Jacobs Highways Contract - 'Understanding the Essex Highways Contract'
3. Local Bus Consultation

In the case of 1 and 3 above, there are reports on those briefings set out as separate items elsewhere in this agenda. A report on the Ringway Jacobs Highways Contract will be submitted to a future committee meeting.

- **Jobs, Welfare and Skills Task and Finish Group**

Arrangements are being made for this scrutiny review to be considered at the next committee activity day on 26 November.

- **Local Highways Panels (LHPs)**

A scrutiny review on the LHPs will commence in due course when resources become available as other scrutiny work is completed. In the meantime a questionnaire has been sent to all the LHP Chairmen seeking feedback to inform the planning of the review, and once all replies have been received on behalf of all twelve Panels they will be collated for the Committee's ease of reference

- **Parking Partnerships**

In the work programme schedule submitted to the Committee in July 2015 (Minute 5) it was envisaged that a briefing on the Parking Partnerships would be provided to this meeting to coincide with a broader executive review of the Partnerships as required under the formal Joint Committee Agreements, and would be followed up by consideration of the findings and recommendations of that review prior to any decisions being taken. However, as the timing of that review has slipped, arrangements are now underway for the briefing to be presented to the Committee on 21 January, with a further meeting in March. Members will be consulted on the planning of arrangements in due course.

- **School Crossing Patrols**

During the summer a briefing paper was commissioned in line with Minute 6/ July 2015 to provide the Committee with an update on the school crossing patrols. The timing co-incided with advice that a new Policy was to be agreed by the Cabinet Member in the Autumn. A briefing paper was sent to Committee Members on 10 September.

- **Long-term disposal of Solid Recovered Fuel**

In June 2015 (Minute 7/July refers) the Committee visited the new Waste Facility at Tovi Eco Park, Basildon, and received briefings on matters relating to the Joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy including the long term disposal of Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF). The topic of SRF has also been identified in the Committee's work programme.

By way of an update the Cabinet has now considered the long-term disposal of SRF outputs from the Authority's mechanical and biological waste treatment facility (the MBT facility) at Courtauld Road, Basildon. Its decision is set out in Minute 6/ September 2015. For further information, please refer to [Cabinet agenda and minute](#)
