

		AGENDA ITEM 10
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WORK PROGRAMME		
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This report provides an update on the Committee's work programme.

➤ **Meeting 23rd February**

At the February meeting arrangements are being made to bring the following three matters forward for the Committee's attention:

1. Corporate Information Services (IS) and Communications Support to Frontline Services

This item has been deferred to the February meeting due to the number of items on today's agenda. Councillor Canning will attend the meeting together with officers to brief the Committee on the topic as highlighted in recommendation 5 set out in the 'Third Party Responsibilities and Flood Enforcement in Essex' Scrutiny Report.

Based upon the original scrutiny review contributors have been given the following key lines of enquiry to develop the content of the briefing:

- How does the County Council organise and manage the provision of IS and communication facilities to its frontline services?
- How is the provision of those services funded, and what is the impact upon the frontline services?
- What is the ability of individual Teams to take forward the delivery of their services using the internet and social media tools?
- Bearing in mind the importance of partnership working across organisations, what are the challenges faced by the Council in terms of compatibility between IS systems and how can problems be overcome?
- To what extent are the Council's own IS systems across the organisation integrated, and what is the programme for any necessary improvements?

- How is the future development of IS and communications being taken forward, and the implications for a frontline service?

2. Passenger Transport

A progress report on a number of new passenger transport initiatives will be provided for the Committee's consideration.

3. Essex Employment and Skills Board

The Essex Employment and Skills Board has accepted an invitation to attend this Committee meeting to provide information on its activities, as well as feedback on the Scrutiny Report: 'We can work it out: the case for a locally determined employment, skills, careers advice and welfare to work system in Essex'.

➤ Meeting 23rd March

At the March meeting Councillor Simon Walsh, Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste, will attend the meeting to update the Committee on the outcome of the changes recently introduced at the Recycling Centres for Household Waste in Essex.

➤ Call ins

Since the last meeting three call ins have been lodged:

(1) **FP/654/11/16 - Waiting restriction in Epping and Theydon Bois**

In November 2016 Councillor Jon Whitehouse supported by Councillors Kendall, Robinson, and Turrell called in decision FP/654/11/16 of the North Essex Parking Partnership (NEPP) with particular reference to the omission of Hornbeam Road, Theydon Bois, and Hartland Road, Epping from proposals to introduce waiting restrictions. However, the call in was subsequently withdrawn without recourse to an informal meeting as Councillor Whitehouse was given reassurance that there would be a recommendation to the next meeting of the NEPP Joint Committee to reinstate Hartland Road as a deferred scheme.

(2) **FP/686/12/16 Proposed one way 7.5 tonne weight limit on Oak Road, Rivenhall; and**

(3) **FP/687/12/16 proposed 20mph speed limit on the Three Arch and Eastham Estate, Brentwood**

These last two call ins will be the subject of separate informal meetings on 9 January 2017. The outcomes of those meetings will be reported to this meeting, and the background on each call in is set out in separate reports elsewhere in this agenda.

Action required by the Committee:

To note the contents of this report and arrangements underway for the Committee's meetings in February and March 2017.
