	AGENDA ITEM 5		
	CSC/29/18		
Committee:	Corporate Policy and Scrutiny Committee		
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WORK PROGRAMME

Task and Finish Group activity

A Task and Finish Group to look at the procurement of ECC's resourcing contract has been set up. The initial scoping meeting will be held on Wednesday 18 April 2018 and will report back to the committee during the April 2018 meeting.

Formal committee activity

The current work programme, originally developed during the November 2017 committee meeting, and subsequent discussions between the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, is attached.

Action required by members at this meeting:

1. To note the current position as regards work planning and programming as reviewed at the March 2018 meeting.

CORPORATE POLICY AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19 (ADOPTED OCTOBER 2017 COMMITTEE MEETING)

Approach to topic selection – where can the committee conduct reviews quickly, influence change and a difference to the residents of Essex.

Date/Timing	Issue/Topic	Focus/other comments	Approach
April 2018	Procurement	Task and Finish Group set up to look at procurement of ECC's resources contract	i. Actual contract performance issues should be considered
May/June 2018	Budget Out-Turn	Historically these have been regular quarterly updates after Cabinet. It is proposed to only do this twice-yearly. This timing aligns with ECC's half yearly Budget Out-turn reporting	 i. To be half-yearly in future ii. Cabinet Member to be present iii. To identify particular issues for further 'dive' on an ongoing basis
May 2018	ECC Pay Policy Review	Opportunity to review future proposals regarding the pay review	 i. Committee to receive a briefing
June 2018	Fees and Charges	Look to influence at most appropriate time to maximise that influence. Opportunity to see this through 'residents' eyes.	i. Could overlap with remit of other committees so there could be an opportunity to joint working
June 2018	Administration of grants	Opportunity to review how grants are distributed externally, mechanisms used, how targeted, where most needed, how get most return.	i. Could overlap with remit of other committees so there could be an opportunity for joint working
TBC 2018	Public Consultations	Scoping work re costs associated with public consultations	i. Timing TBC after further discussions with key officers
TBC 2018	Property Investment to shape communities	Focus to be determined	i. To be determined
TBC 2018	Property Portfolio	Value of ECC Estate and disposal strategy. Suggestion from previous committee	i. To be determined

TBC 2018	Emerging organisation	These may fall under remit of other	i.	To be determined
	strategies	committees in any case	_	
TBC 2018	Registration Services	Rationalisation of buildings/co-	i.	Could seek an update on
		location. Can scrutiny influence the		where ECC are with the
		shaping of something new or will it		rationalisation programme.
		be a review of the implementation of	ii.	To be determined
		a strategy?		
TBC 2018	Borrowing	Why we have to borrow?	i.	Timing TBC after further
		Long-term costs		discussions with key officers
		Borrowing strategy		
Issues previo	ously suggested and to be 'parked' per			
	Review process for developing	Focus to be determined – suggestion	I.	To be determined
	policy	from previous committee		
	Emerging organisation	Focus to be determined – suggestion	i.	To be determined
	strategies	from previous committee	_	
	Property portfolio	Value of ECC Estate and disposal	i.	To be determined
		strategy – suggestion from previous		
		committee	_	
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		be a review of the implementation of	ii.	To be determined
		a strategy?		
	Issues previou	usly suggested and not to be pursued	I	
N/A	Review of Essex Design Guide	Place and Economic Growth Policy	i.	It is not currently an issue
		and Scrutiny Committee has remit		being pursued by the Place
		over planning		and Economic Growth
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