



City of Westminster

Committee Report

Meeting or Decision Maker:	Children, Adults, Public Health and Voluntary Sector Policy and Scrutiny Committee
Date:	12 July 2022
Classification:	General Release
Title:	Work Programme
Wards Affected:	All
Financial Summary:	There are no financial implications arising from this report, but additional work may incur financial costs which may be discussed at committee and on the advice of officers.
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1. Executive Summary

The draft work programme set out is based on the priorities of the new administration, ongoing work in key policy and service delivery areas and has been informed by input from senior officers from across the council.

In general there is time and space for one or two substantive items at each meeting in addition to the standing items of Cabinet Member portfolio updates and questions. It is for the Committee to determine, on the advice of officers, what they wish to consider in detail at each meeting. There will however, be occasions where Committee review of an issue would be more impactful at a particular time of year e.g. when data is more readily available or where the policy or service issue is better progressed in terms of emerging thinking or baselining. In the circumstances senior officers will work with the scrutiny team to advise the Committee of such opportunities.

Based on the recent discussion at Full Council and a steer from the Majority and Opposition Group Lead Policy and Scrutiny Members, it is currently proposed to hold six meetings across the municipal year, four of which will align with performance monitoring and other regular reporting deadlines. This will enable the committee to hold Cabinet Members to account for policy and services they are responsible for. A gap is built into the annual cycle in January/February to enable Budget Scrutiny to take place. Following the outcome of this meeting, a discussion will take place at the Scrutiny Commission meeting in July on how to manage the overall annual work programme for Policy and Scrutiny in 2022/23.

2. Recommendations

That the committee consider the draft work programme set out and either agree the work programme or make suggestions for amendments.

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APPENDICES

Draft work programme 2022/23

BACKGROUND PAPERS

Constitution, in particular Chapter 4 on the role of Policy and Scrutiny.