Report of the Chair of Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee

25 October 2018

1. This report is submitted by the Chair of Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee (CSMC), in accordance with the constitutional requirements set out in Standing order 8.3 (m) to update Council on scrutiny work and to set out any recommendations such as may be made to Council in relation to that work.

Finance and Performance

2. Since the last report to Council on 19 July 2018, the Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee (CSMC), the Children, Education and Communities Policy and Scrutiny Committee, the Health, Housing and Adult Social Care Policy and Scrutiny Committee and the Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee all received their 1st Quarter Finance and Performance Monitoring reports at their meetings in September. In addition the Health, Housing and Adult Social Care Policy and Scrutiny Committee and the Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee considered their End of Year Monitoring reports at meetings in late July. Finance and Performance reports are not within the remit of the Economy & Place Policy Development Committee.

Attendance of Executive Members

3. The Executive Member for Health and Adult Social Care attended a meeting of the Health, Housing and Adult Social Care Policy and Scrutiny Committee in late July to explain her challenges and priorities for the Municipal Year. Also in late July the Executive Member for Environment and the Executive Member for Transport and Planning attended a meeting of the Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee.

Pre-Decision Call-Ins

4. No Pre-Decision call-ins have been considered by CSMC or any of the standing scrutiny committees since the last report to Council.

Post-Decision Call-Ins

5. In August CSMC considered the called-in item – Housing Delivery Programme. The Committee decided that there were no grounds to make specific recommendations to the Executive and the original decision was confirmed.

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Petitions

6. At each of its meetings, this Committee continues to receive its standing report on Council petitions providing details of new petitions received by the Council and the appropriate course of action.

Scrutiny Work

7. The Customer and Corporate Services Scrutiny Management Committee has met once since the last report to Council. In September the Committee received a report on the Council's Social Values Policy and considered the Annual Review of Complaints. Members considered a scoping report on Financial Inclusion and agreed this was a topic worthy of review and appointed a Task Group to carry out this work in the Committee's behalf. The Committee also endorsed the remit of the Task Group appointed to review the Council's scrutiny operations and functions.

Health, Housing & Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee

- 8. The Health, Housing & Adult Social Care Policy & Scrutiny Committee has held three meetings since the last report to Council. In late July the Committee received the annual report of the Health and Wellbeing Board, the six-monthly Quality Monitoring Report- residential, nursing and homecare services and the Safeguarding Vulnerable Adults Annual Assurance Report.
- 9. In September the Committee welcomed representatives from Unity Health who gave an update on actions to improve patient communications and the practice's action plan following a recent Care Quality Commission inspection. Members also received an update report on Elderly Persons' Accommodation and a report on the delivery of the Care Quality Commission Local Systems Review Action Plan. They also received an update on the scrutiny review into Substance Misuse Services and endorsed the remit of the Task Group appointed to carry out this work on the Committee's behalf.
- 10. In October the Committee received the Bi-annual report from the Safer York Partnership and was given a verbal update on Community Policing by the Police Commander for York and Selby. Members also considered a report on the implementation of new licensing laws for Houses in Multiple Occupation.

Children, Education & Communities Policy & Scrutiny Committee

11. This Committee has met once since the last report to Council. In September the Committee received an update report on York Skills Plan and considered the Bi-annual Update report on Adult Learning Services.

Economy and Place Policy Development Committee

12. This Committee has met once since the last report to Council. In September Members looked into possible mitigation measures for blue badge access against vehicle security measures around the city centre. To help the Committee's considerations, representatives from a number of disabled organisations were invited to the meeting to take part in the discussions. Views from this meeting were included within a report to Executive. Members also considered an overview report on planned works to enhance economic growth in secondary shopping areas and a pre-decision report on the Council's Street Lighting Policy.

Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee

- 13. This committee has met twice since the last report to Council. In late July Members considered a scoping report on the Economic Health of York City Centre and agreed this was a topic worthy of a full Committee review to help the focus on supporting a thriving York City Centre.
- 14. In September the Committee received the Bi-annual Report on the Flood defences Action Plan and an Update report on recycling and Comingling. Members also considered a report to establish an evidence base for the fill Committee review into the Economic Health of York City Centre.

Report Recommendation

- 15. Members are recommended to:
 - Note this report;

Reason: To comply with the Council's constitutional requirements

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Chair of Customer & Corporate Services Scrutiny Management
Committee

16 October 2018