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| Marianne Hesketh, Service Director Performance and Innovation | Overview and Scrutiny Committee | 5 December 2016 | 9 |

Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2016/17 – update report

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 That the committee agree possible topics for task group review between January and April 2017.
- 1.2 That the report be noted.

2. Current work

2.1 Citizens advice services scrutiny review group

The council has a two-year service level agreement with Citizens Advice Lancashire West which will run until 31 May 2017. A review group was convened to review the service that has been delivered since 1 June 2015 and to make recommendations to the Cabinet about the possible extension of the service level agreement.

Over the course of two meetings the group met the Chief Executive of Citizens Advice Lancashire West (CALW) and council officers. The group also reviewed quarterly performance information from the past eighteen months, provided by CALW.

A draft report has been prepared, which was the subject of a previous item on the agenda of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 5 December 2016. Subject to the committee's endorsement, recommendations will be considered by the Cabinet on 18 January 2017.

2.2 Domestic abuse task group

The domestic abuse task group has met six times and has gathered evidence from a wide range of organisations involved in providing domestic abuse services in Wyre.

The task group will meet with officers involved in delivering the Council's housing responsibilities on Tuesday 6 December. Representatives from the group will then meet with Dr Kath Greenwood, domestic abuse lead for the Fylde and Wyre Clinical Commissioning Group on, Tuesday 13 December.

The task group is likely to be in a position to agree its conclusions and recommendations early in 2017 before submitting them to the Cabinet.

2.3 Food hygiene task group

The task group has met twice, most recently on 21 November when a regional representative from the Food Standards Agency attended.

Two further meetings are planned for 23 January and 13 February 2017 respectively after which the task group will complete its report and make recommendations to the Cabinet.

3. Future task group work

- 3.1 There is some capacity for further task group reviews to be undertaken between January and April 2017. Councillors are encouraged to identify topics for consideration.

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| List of Background Papers: | | |
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| Name of Document | Date | Where available for inspection |
| Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules | 7 July 2016 | Council's website |

APPENDICES

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| Appendix 1 | Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme May 2016 – April 2017 – Summary |
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