

Report of:	Meeting	Date	Item No.
Marianne Hesketh, Service Director Performance and Innovation	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	21 May 2018	10

Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2018/19 – update report

1. Recommendations

- 1.1 That a task group reviewing responses to the recent consultation on My Home Choice Fylde Coast be set up.
- 1.2 That the report be noted.

2. Current and completed work

2.1 Engaging with Young People task group

The task group has completed its review and the report will be considered under a separate item on the current agenda. Subject to the views of the Committee, the report and recommendations will be considered by the Cabinet on 13 June 2018.

2.2 Flooding task group

This task group has met twice to date. The Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder and senior officers have provided information about the current role of elected members in flooding events. It is anticipated that contributions from residents representing Flood Action Groups will be invited at the next stage of the review.

3. Future task group work

- 3.1 On 16 April 2018 the committee agreed that a short task group be established to review the implications of and options arising from the recent My Home Choice Fylde Coast public consultation. A draft scoping document is attached at Appendix 1.
- 3.2 On 16 April 2018 the Committee also requested future scrutiny

involvement in the implementation of phase 2 of the Modern.gov meetings management system (minute 68). It is currently envisaged that some, although possibly not all Members of the Committee, will be asked to trial the use of tablet devices to access reports at the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting on 10 September 2018. Their initial experiences and comments will be considered by the Committee and will inform the implementation process for paperless meetings across the Council. Scrutiny members will also be given the opportunity, either in a short task group or at the Committee meeting in June or July, to comment on options for the funding of tablet devices for all Councillors, including the implications for Councillors if the Independent Remuneration Panel recommends that the current IT Allowance of £186 per annum paid to each Councillor is withdrawn when tablet devices are provided to them in 2019/20.

- 3.3** Further proposals for committee agenda items or for task group review topics are invited from councillors at any time. The current Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2018/19 is attached as Appendix 2.

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APPENDICES

- Appendix 1 My Home Choice Fylde Coast – task group - draft scoping document
 Appendix 2 Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2018/19

'My Homes Choice' Task Group – Draft Scoping Document

Review Topic	Arrangements for the allocation and letting of social housing via My Home Choice Fylde Coast
Chairman	To be confirmed
Group Membership	To be confirmed
Officer Support	Peter Foulsham, Scrutiny Officer
<u>Purpose of the Review</u>	To review proposed changes to the arrangements for the allocation and letting of social housing in Wyre via My Home Choice Fylde Coast
<u>Role of Overview and Scrutiny in this Review</u> <u>(mark all that apply)</u>	Holding Executive to account – decisions <input type="checkbox"/>
	Existing budget and policy framework <input type="checkbox"/>
	Contribution to policy development <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Holding Executive to account – performance <input type="checkbox"/>
	Community champion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Statutory duties / compliance with codes of practice <input type="checkbox"/>
Aims of Review	<p>To make a difference to the way in which social housing is allocated</p> <p>To review the current policy for My Home Choice Fylde Coast and the reason for change</p> <p>To make the process of applying for social housing easier and fairer.</p> <p>To review the public consultation responses</p> <p>To evaluate the options for improving the system and policy</p>
Methodology	<p>Consideration of documents</p> <p>Interviewing witnesses</p>
Scope of Review	The review is limited to the My Home Choice Fylde Coast public consultation and the proposed changes to the Consistent Assessment Policy.

Potential Witnesses	Neighbourhood Services and Community Safety Portfolio Holder Service Director Health & Wellbeing Private Sector Housing & Housing Options Manager Housing Options Team Leader Regenda Housing Group
Documents to be considered	My Home Choice Fylde Coast Consistent Assessment Policy Summary of Public Consultation Responses, January 2018
Risks	
Level of Publicity	Low
Indicators of a Successful Review	The completion of a review of the findings of the public consultation exercise and the production of recommendations regarding the proposed changes to the My Home Choice Fylde Coast Consistent Assessment Policy.
Intended Outcomes	Simplifying the process to register and bid for properties on My Home Choice Fylde Coast Encouraging and enabling more people to apply for social housing
Approximate Timeframe	2 months
Projected Start Date	June 2018

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2018/19

Committee Meetings

(All meetings are held on Mondays starting at 6pm)

Date	Planned Committee agenda items
2018	
21 May	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Election of Chairman ii. Election of Vice Chairman iii. Draft report of the Engaging with Children and Young People task group iv. Business Plan – Quarterly Performance Statement v. Environmental crime vi. Car parking consultation report vii. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
25 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Review of task group recommendations – Food hygiene ii. Review of task group recommendations – Domestic abuse iii. Modern.gov implementation, Phase 2 iv. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
30 July	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
10 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Business Plan – Quarterly Performance Statement ii. Outcomes from LGA Peer Review – review of actions taken iii. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
22 October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
26 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ii. Business Plan – Quarterly Performance Statement iii. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 – update iv. Fees and charges v. Cost profiles – benchmarking results vi. Treasury management
2019	
7 January	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Business Plan 2019/20 – Leader and Chief Executive ii. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update

Date	Planned Committee agenda items
11 February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Business Plan – Quarterly Performance Statement ii. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
18 March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Wyre Community Safety Partnership – annual scrutiny review ii. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update
29 April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. O&S Work Programme 2018/19 - update

Scrutiny task group reviews

Date	Format	Topic
October 2017 to May 2018	Task group - ongoing	Engaging with children and young people
Started 25 April 2018	Task group	Flooding – the role of councillors.
To start June/July 2018	Possible task group	Environmental crime – enforcement and members’ role
To start June/July 2018	Scoping document for consideration by the O&SC on 21 May	‘My Home Choice’ consultation
		Digital transformation – options for funding Modern.gov (phase 2)
		Maximising the return from our assets
		Car parking consultation
		Support a sustainable future for the fish processing industry
		Better Care Fund

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