

BOROUGH OF KETTERING

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Wards Affected	N/A	7 th June 2016	
Title	WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2016-17		

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To seek the committee's views on the work programme for the coming year.

2. INFORMATION

- 2.1 It is good practice to set out a work programme for the year ahead, to enable planning and preparatory work, and wider engagement where necessary, to be carried out effectively. The setting of a work programme does not mean that additional items cannot come forward when required.
- 2.2. There are a few issues which were not addressed in the previous municipal year which remain "on the books" and for consideration in the new work programme.
- 2.3. There are five meetings of this committee planned during the year.
- 2.4. The approach of the committee in the past has been to look "up and out" at the state of the Borough, rather than "down and in" at Council services; the latter is more the remit of Monitoring and Audit Committee. For example, in the last year, the Committee carried out or oversaw pieces of work into
- The draft PSPO for Kettering Town centre
 - Voluntary sector funding review
 - Public health projects
 - A play strategy for the Borough
 - Dog control issues
 - Recording of Council meetings
- and the "Local Pollinators Task and Finish Group" continues to carry out its work, looking at how the Council can support the growth of local bee populations.
- 2.5. The Council's constitution sets out that there can be two live task and finish groups at any one time – the Local Pollinators was set up in 2015 and the Youth Engagement Group can start work now that the voluntary sector group has concluded its work as at this meeting.
- 2.6. Taking into account those matters which were identified last year, the following work programme is proposed, for consideration. Other items which members may want to raise can be added to this programme.

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Meeting date	Item	Lead officer	Purpose
June	Dog Control Orders/PSPO	Shirley Plenderleith	To update Members on the plans to replace the existing Dog Control Orders with a Public Space Protection Order
September	Update on the Proposed Decriminalisation of Parking	Jon Hall	To provide an update on the proposal to decriminalise parking in the Borough
December	Youth Engagement Task and Finish Group	Martin Hammond	To receive the final report from the Task and Finish Group
	Homelessness Update	John Conway	To provide an overview of homelessness pressures affecting the Borough and to set out measures being implemented to alleviate housing needs
February	Budget for 2017/18	Mark Dickenson	Consultation on the coming year's budget
April	Fly-Tipping Strategy Update	Jon Hall	To provide an update on KBC's Fly-Tipping Strategy

3. POLICY IMPLICATIONS

The Committee's role is partly to test policy assumptions and consider where policy needs to be changed or created.

4. CONSULTATION AND CUSTOMER IMPACT

Consultation on specific items will be developed as part of the planning work.

5. FINANCE AND HR RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

None at this stage, but there will be resource implications arising from most items.

6. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

None at this stage.

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7. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee consider the draft programme above and any further items for inclusion within it.

Background Papers:

None

Previous Reports/Minutes:

Last work programme in 2015/16 year.