

# Overview and Scrutiny of Committee



Forest Heath  
District Council

<b>Title of Report:</b>	<b>Work Programme Update and Re-Appointment to the Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee</b>	
<b>Report No:</b>	<b>OAS/FH/18/018</b>	
<b>Report to and dates:</b>	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	7 June 2018
	<b>Council (Appointments to SCC Health Scrutiny)</b>	18 July 2018
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<b>Purpose of report:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) To update the Committee on the current status of its rolling work programme of annual items for scrutiny during 2018-2019.</li> <li>2) To ask the Committee to identify questions for the Lead Cabinet Member for Housing, and the Cabinet Member for Families and Communities, in advance of their attendance on 12 July 2018.</li> <li>3) To ask the Committee to nominate one Member, and one Substitute Member to serve on the County's Health Scrutiny Committee.</li> </ol>	

<b>Recommendation:</b>	<p><b>1) That, Members <u>note</u> the current status of the work programme and the annual items expected during 2018-2019.</b></p> <p><b>2) <u>Identify questions</u> for the Lead Cabinet Member for Housing and the Cabinet Member for Families and Communities to cover in their annual report to the Committee in July 2018.</b></p> <p><b>3) To <u>nominate</u> one Member, and one Substitute Member to the Suffolk Health Scrutiny Committee for 2018-2019 for confirmation by full Council.</b></p>
<b>Key Decision:</b> <i>(Check the appropriate box and delete all those that <b>do not</b> apply.)</i>	<i>Is this a Key Decision and, if so, under which definition?</i> Yes, it is a Key Decision - <input type="checkbox"/> No, it is not a Key Decision - <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>Documents attached:</b>	<p><b>Appendix 1</b> – Current Work Programme</p> <p><b>Appendix 2</b> – Summary of work carried out by the SCC Health Scrutiny Committee during 2017-2018</p>

## **1. Key issues and reasons for recommendations**

### **1.1 Rolling Work Programme**

- 1.1.1 The Committee has a rolling work programme, whereby suggestions for scrutiny reviews are brought to each meeting, following the completion of the work programme suggestion form, and if accepted, are timetabled to report to a future meeting.
- 1.1.2 The work programme also leaves space for Call-ins and Councillor Calls for Action.
- 1.1.3 The current position of the work programme and Task and Finish Groups for the 2018-2019 is attached at **Appendix 1** for information.

### **1.2 Portfolio Holder Annual Presentations**

- 1.2.1 At every ordinary Overview and Scrutiny meeting at least one Cabinet Member attends to give an account of his or her portfolio and to answer questions from the Committee.
- 1.2.2 At the Committees meeting on 12 July 2018, the Lead Cabinet Member for Housing and the Cabinet Member for Families and Communities will be attending to give their annual updates to the Committee.
- 1.2.3 The Committee is therefore asked to identify questions for the Lead Cabinet Member for Housing and the Cabinet Member for Families and Communities to cover in their annual reports to the Committee.

### **1.3 Suffolk County Council Health Scrutiny Committee**

- 1.3.1 The Committee is asked to nominate on an annual basis one Member, and one Substitute Member to serve on the County's Health Scrutiny Committee.
- 1.3.2 The Members should ideally be from the District Council's Overview and Scrutiny Committee, although this is not essential as the necessary training will be given by County.
- 1.3.3 The current members on this joint body are:
  - Councillor John Bloodworth as the nominated representative; and
  - Councillor Christine Mason as the nominated substitute.
- 1.3.4 Councillor John Bloodworth has produced a short summary on the issues considered by the SCC Health Scrutiny during 2017-2018 (**Appendix 2**).
- 1.3.5 The above nominations will need to be confirmed by Full Council on 18 July 2018.