

CURRENT ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMUNITIES AND ENVIRONMENT AND PERFORMANCE AND CUSTOMERS PANELS

STUDY	OBJECTIVES	PANEL	STATUS
Hinchingbrooke Hospital	To review the plans for the merger of the Trusts running Hinchingbrooke Hospital and Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals.	Communities and Environment	Mr McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer at Hinchingbrooke Hospital attended a Panel meeting in February 2016 to discuss Hinchingbrooke's improvement plan and collaboration with Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust. Mr McCarthy attended a special meeting of the Panel in June 2016 to discuss the Outline Business Case for merger of the Trusts running Hinchingbrooke, Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals. The Panel sent a response to the proposals outlining Members' concerns. Mr McCarthy attended a special meeting of the Panel in October 2016 to discuss the Full Business Case for merger of the Trusts running Hinchingbrooke, Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals. Members still have concerns and have articulated them to Cabinet who will decide if a Council response is appropriate.
Huntingdonshire CCTV Network	Examine the utilisation of CCTV and identify whether they are value for money.	Communities and Environment	At the request of the Executive Leader, Members agreed to examine the utilisation of CCTV in the market towns by Cambridgeshire Constabulary.
Future of Hinchingbrooke Country Park, Paxton Pits, Godmanchester Nursery and Public Rights of Way	To be confirmed.	Communities and Environment	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session in September 2016 that this topic requires further scrutiny. The Panel, at its meeting in October 2016, decided to include the item on to its work programme. The Panel will receive an exempt report at its meeting in November 2016 on the contractual arrangements and potential improvement programme of Hinchingbrooke Country Park.
Homelessness Accommodation	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session on 20th September that this area requires

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(Coneygear Court)			scrutinising. The Panel will decide at its meeting on 2nd November whether to accept the item onto the work programme and how to proceed.
Shared Services Strategy	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session on 20th September that this area requires scrutinising. The Panel will decide at its meeting on 2nd November whether to accept the item onto the work programme and how to proceed.
Cambridgeshire County Council Budget Scrutiny	To review the Cambridgeshire County Council's Budget proposals and assess their impact upon Huntingdonshire and it's residents.	Performance and Customers	The Working Group comprised of Councillors T Alban, D Brown, G Bull, Mrs S J Conboy, S Criswell, M Francis, D A Giles, T Hayward, B Hyland, P Kadewere, T D Sanderson, M Shellens and R J West. Meetings were held on 14th and 19th January 2016 to scrutinise the various aspects of the County Council's Budget Proposals. The Managing Director and Executive Leader have met with the Chief Executive Officer and Leader of Cambridgeshire County Council and following the meeting a report will be submitted by Cambridgeshire County Council which be available to the Overview and Scrutiny Panels. The Managing Director confirmed that the process of budget scrutiny will take place again this Municipal Year (2016/17).
Commercialisation	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session on 20th September that this area requires scrutinising. The Panel will decide at its meeting on 2nd November whether to accept the item onto the work programme and how to proceed.
Trade Union Recognition	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session on 20th September that this area requires scrutinising. The Panel will decide at its meeting on 2nd November whether to accept the item onto the work

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Use of Council Assets	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session on 20th September that this area requires scrutinising. The Panel will decide at its meeting on 2nd November whether to accept the item onto the work programme and how to proceed.
Taxi and Hackney Carriages Policies	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	Members agreed at the Scrutiny Work Programming Session on 20th September that this area requires scrutinising. The Panel will decide at its meeting on 2nd November whether to accept the item onto the work programme and how to proceed.
Bus Departure Levy	To explore the possibility of introducing a bus departure levy at the Council's bus stations.	Performance and Customers	At its meeting in January 2016, the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Finance and Performance) agreed that the Bus Departure Levy should be explored. To date no work has been done on the levy and the Panel have to decide whether to keep it on the work programme and how to proceed.