

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

STUDY	OBJECTIVES	PANEL	STATUS
Hinchingsbrooke Hospital	To review the plans for the merger of the Trusts running Hinchingsbrooke Hospital and Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals.	Communities and Environment	<p>Mr McCarthy, Chief Executive Officer at Hinchingsbrooke Health Care NHS Trust attended two special meetings of the Panel (June and October 2016) to discuss the Business Case for merger of the Trusts running Hinchingsbrooke, Peterborough and Stamford Hospitals.</p> <p>The Panel has sent a response to Mr Burns, Chairman of Hinchingsbrooke Health Care NHS Trust, outlining the Council's objections and concerns for the merger.</p> <p>This item will be removed from the Work Programme after the Panel meeting in December 2016.</p>
Huntingdonshire CCTV Network	Examine the utilisation of CCTV and identify whether they are value for money.	Communities and Environment	<p>At the request of the Executive Leader, Members agreed to examine the utilisation of CCTV in the market towns by Cambridgeshire Constabulary.</p> <p>The Panel are to discuss a scoping document at their meeting in December 2016.</p>
Future of Hinchingsbrooke Country Park, Paxton Pits, Godmanchester Nursery and Public Rights of Way	To be confirmed.	Communities and Environment	<p>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.</p> <p>The Panel received an exempt report at its meeting in November 2016 on the contractual arrangements and potential improvement programme of Hinchingsbrooke Country Park.</p>
Shared Services Strategy	To be decided.	Performance and Customers	<p>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.</p>

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Cambridgeshire County Council Budget Scrutiny	To review the Cambridgeshire County Council's Budget proposals and assess their impact upon Huntingdonshire and its residents.	Performance and Customers	<p>Following the budget scrutiny exercise during the last Municipal Year, the County Council have decided to carry out a budget scrutiny exercise for 2017/18.</p> <p>Chris Malyon, Director of Finance and Christine May, Interim Service Director: Infrastructure Management and Operations at the County Council will be in attendance at the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Performance and Customers) meeting on 5th December 2016 to discuss the budgets of every County Council service.</p>
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.
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	<p>At its meeting in January 2016, the Overview and Scrutiny Panel (Finance and Performance) agreed that the Bus Departure Levy should be explored.</p> <p>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.</p>