

Allerdale Borough Council

Council - 19 September 2018

Report from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Reason for the Decision	This is the update report of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
Summary of options considered	Not applicable.
Recommendations	That the report be noted.
Financial / Resource Implications	There are no direct implications.
Legal / Governance Implications	There are no direct implications.
Community Safety Implications	There are no direct implications.
Health and Safety and Risk Management Implications	There are no direct implications.
Equality Duty considered / Impact Assessment completed	Not required for this report.
Wards Affected	All
The contribution this decision would make to the Council's priorities	The role of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee contributes to all Council Plan priorities.
Is this a Key Decision	No
Portfolio Holder	Not applicable
Lead Scrutiny Member	Councillor Alan Pitcher and Councillor Janet Farebrother (Co-Chairs)
Lead Officer	Ian Hinde Policy Officer (Scrutiny and Partnerships) 01900 702544 ian.hinde@allerdale.gov.uk

Report Implications (Please delete where applicable).

Community Safety	N	Employment (external to the Council)	N
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Financial	N	Employment (internal)	N
Legal	N	Partnership	N
Social Inclusion	N	Asset Management	N
Equality Duty	N	Health and Safety	N

1.0 Meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 1.1 Since the start of this Council year in May 2018, the Overview & Scrutiny Committee has met three times on 18 May, 22 June, and 17 September.
- 1.2 The task and finish groups appointed by the Committee meet as often as required by their specific work programmes.
- 1.3 The current task and finish groups (TFGs) include -
- The Community Services Business Model TFG;
 - The Consultations TFG;
 - The Councillor Training and Engagement TFG; and
 - Two standing groups which focus on Performance and the Budget.
- 1.4 Members of the Council who do not sit on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee or Executive are eligible to join task and finish or standing groups and are encouraged to do so. Please contact the Policy Officer (Scrutiny and Partnerships) if you wish to find out more.

2.0 Work of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 2.1 At its meeting on 18 May, the Committee considered the Council's powers and procedures regarding enforcement.
- 2.2 At its meeting on 22 June, the Committee received a series of presentations from training providers working with people in the Allerdale area seeking employment. The providers included Lakes College, G4S, Groundwork North East and Cumbria, and Inspira. The Committee will be considering further scrutiny work relating to this topic.
- 2.3 At its meeting on 17 September, the Committee received and considered the report of the Community Services Business Model Task and Finish Group. This group has followed the process of procurement for the three contracts currently under consideration:
- Lot 1: Waste and Recycling Collection Services;
 - Lot 2: Street Cleansing and Grounds Maintenance Services; and
 - Lot 3: Bulking, Hauling, Sorting and Reprocessing of Recyclables and Green Waste.
- The report will subsequently be presented to Executive on 17 October 2018.

3.0 Portfolio Holder presentations to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

3.1 Starting from the September meeting to the end of the current Council year, each Portfolio Holder has been invited to present their portfolio to a meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

4.0 The work programme

4.1 The work programme is reviewed at each Committee meeting. Members are reminded topics for the Committee to consider can be submitted at any time.

5.0 Member training and skills

5.1 Members of the Committee have identified questioning skills as the topic for the next formal training session. The intention is that this training will also be accessible to Members not on the Committee.

6.0 Recommendations

6.1 That the report be noted.

**Councillor Alan Pitcher and Councillor Janet Farebrother
Co-Chairs of Overview and Scrutiny Committee**