

Allerdale Borough Council

Council – 25 September 2019

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	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. That the update be noted;2. To agree to change the start time of future Overview and Scrutiny meetings from 09:30am to 1:30pm.
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 Iain Greaney (Co-Chairs)
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Report Implications (Please delete where applicable).

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

1.0 Executive / Overview and Scrutiny Committee protocol

- 1.1 The Co-Chairs recently met with Executive members to discuss the further development of the working relationship.
- 1.2 The Co-Chairs felt the meeting was particularly useful and this will now become a regular arrangement by mutual agreement.
- 1.3 The Executive members will be continuing to attend the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meetings when aspects of their portfolios are included in the agenda.

2.0 Task Groups

- 2.1 The Procurement Task and Finish Group has begun to meet and will further establish its remit after the training session. Members of the group are keen to both look at the general principles of Council procurements and specific examples.
- 2.2 The Budget Task and Finish Group was appointed at the Committee meeting held on Friday 6 September.
- 2.3 The group can accommodate additional members and Councillors are invited to self-nominate to the Lead Officer if they wish to join the group. This group will follow the forthcoming budget setting process for 2020-2021.

3.0 Training

- 3.1 The Committee has arranged a training session for 25 September 2019, before the Council meeting, which is focused on the scrutiny of commercial partners and contractors delivered by the Centre for Public Scrutiny, to which all Councillors received an invitation.
- 3.2 The Committee will continue to monitor its training needs and opportunities.

4.0 Changes to the scheduled meetings times of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

- 4.1 At the Overview and Scrutiny Meeting, 06 September 2019 Members submitted a request to change the start time of all future meetings to 1:30pm.

4.2 This is to maximise attendance at meetings, ensuring items of business are conducted efficiently.

5.0 Recommendations

5.1 That the update be noted;

5.2 To agree to change the start time of future Overview and Scrutiny meetings from 09:30am to 1:30pm.

**Councillor Alan Pitcher and Councillor Iain Greaney
Co-Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee**