

ISLE OF ANGLESEY COUNTY COUNCIL Scrutiny Report Template

Committee:	Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
Date:	11 th September, 2019
Subject:	Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme
Purpose of Report:	Assist the Scrutiny Committee in considering, agreeing and reviewing its forward work programme for 2019/20 and beyond
Scrutiny Chair:	Cllr Gwilym Owen Jones
Portfolio Holder(s):	Not applicable
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Local Members:	Applicable to all Scrutiny Members

1 - Recommendation/s

The Committee is requested to:

R1 agree the current version of the forward work programme for 2019/20

R2 note progress thus far in implementing the forward work programme.

2 – Link to Council Plan / Other Corporate Priorities

Effective work programming is the foundation of effective local government scrutiny. Our Scrutiny rolling forward work programmes are aligned with the corporate priorities of the 2017/2022 Council Plan and corporate transformation programmes – ensuring the role of Member scrutiny makes a tangible contribution to the Council's improvement priorities.

3 – Guiding Principles for Scrutiny Members

To assist Members when scrutinising the topic:-

3.1 Impact the matter has on individuals and communities [focus on customer/citizen]

3.2 A look at the efficiency & effectiveness of any proposed change – both financially and in terms of quality [focus on value]

3.3 A look at any risks [focus on risk]

3.4 Scrutiny taking a performance monitoring or quality assurance role [focus on performance & quality]

3.5 Looking at plans and proposals from a perspective of:

- Long term
- Prevention
- Integration
- Collaboration
- Involvement

[focus on wellbeing]

4 - Key Scrutiny Questions

5 – Background / Context

1. Background

<p>1.1 Effective work programming is the bedrock of an effective local government scrutiny function¹. Done well, work programming can help lay the foundations for targeted and timely work on issues of local importance demonstrating where Member scrutiny can add value. Good practice advocates two key issues at the heart of the scrutiny forward work programme:</p>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Challenge around prioritising work streams ii. Need for a member-led approach and interface with officers. |
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1.2 Basic principles of good work programming²
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work programming should not be a “start-stop” process • Complementary work programmes for separate scrutiny committees • Balance between different methods of work • An effective process for reporting / escalating issues to the Executive • Input and views of internal stakeholders • Close working with the Executive • Links with the Annual Scrutiny Report (evaluation and improvement tool). |
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2. Local context

<p>2.1 There is now a well-established practice of forward work programming which are now rolling programmes focusing on the quality of scrutiny with fewer items, to add value. They are an important tool to assist Members in prioritising their work and are discussed with the Senior Leadership Team and Heads of Service. Both committees review the content of their work programmes on a regular basis, to ensure that they remain relevant and keep abreast with local priorities. Our local forward planning arrangements now ensure greater focus on:</p>

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic aspects • Citizen / other stakeholder engagement and outcomes • Priorities of the 2017/2022 Council Plan and transformation projects • Risks and the work of inspection and regulation • Matters on the forward work programme of the Executive. |
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<p>Outcome: rolling work programmes for scrutiny committees which are aligned with corporate priorities.</p>

<p>2.2 Committee chairs lead on developing the forward work programmes and are submitted to the monthly Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-chairs Forum and for approval at each ordinary meeting of the scrutiny committees. The Forum is</p>
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¹ A Cunning Plan? Devising a scrutiny work programme, Centre for Public Scrutiny (March, 2011)

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considered an important vehicle to oversee these programmes and jointly negotiate priorities.

2.3 **“Whole council” approach to Scrutiny:** our work programmes provide a strong foundation for our improvement programme, ensuring the role that Scrutiny plays in the Authority’s governance arrangements:

- i. Supports robust and effective decision-making
- ii. Makes a tangible contribution to the Council’s improvement priorities
- iii. Continues to evolve

2.4 **2019/20 Municipal Year:** the Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee work programme for 2019/20 was confirmed by the Committee in June, 2019³.

3. Issues for consideration

3.1 The Scrutiny Committee receives regular update reports on the implementation of its forward work programme. A copy of the current 2019/20 work programme is attached as **APPENDIX 1** to this report for reference and includes changes made to the work programme since the Committee last considered the document (13th June, 2019).

3.2 Where appropriate, items may be added to the Committee’s forward work programme during the municipal year. Requests for additional matters to be considered for inclusion on the work programme can be submitted via the Members Request Form for an item to be considered for Scrutiny. Requests are initially considered by the Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-chairs Forum, using the following criteria:

- the Council’s strategic objectives and priorities (as outlined in the Council Plan 2017/2022)
- the ability of the Committee to have influence and/or add value on the subject (A Scrutiny Test of Significance Form will be completed).

6 – Equality Impact Assessment [including impacts on the Welsh Language]

Not applicable for this overarching issue but will be considered as an integral part of preparing for specific proposals to be submitted for consideration by the Committee.

7 – Financial Implications

Not applicable.

8 – Appendices:

Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme 2017/18 – 2018/19 – 2019/20.

9 - Background papers (please contact the author of the Report for any further information):

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³ A meeting of the Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee convened on 13th June, 2019

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CORPORATE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE	PARTNERSHIP & REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
September, 2019 (11/09/19)	September, 2019 (change date of meeting 23/09/19 →11/09/19)
Qtr 1 Performance Monitoring: 2019/20	Monitoring of Social Care Contracts
Monitoring of Improvements in Children's Services / Progress Report of the Social Services Improvement Panel	Safeguarding Arrangements
Annual Performance Report (Improvement Plan) 2018/19	Schools' Progress Review Panel: Progress Report
Housing Allocations Policy (local connection)	
October, 2019 (23/10/19)*	Additional Meeting (24/10/19)
2020/21 initial budget proposals	Joint Local Development Plan – Annual Monitoring Report
Consultation Plan for the 2020/21 budget	Day Opportunities Strategy (learning disabilities) (next steps)
Finance Scrutiny Panel: Progress Report	Galw Gofal Annual Report
Review of Scrutiny Panels	Scrutiny of Partnerships – annual report on work of the Committee
November, 2019 (change date of meeting 04/11/19 → w/c 11/11/19)	November, 2019 (12/11/19)
Qtr1 Performance Monitoring: 2019/20	Community Safety Partnership Annual Report
	Additional Learning Needs Partnership – Gwynedd & Ynys Môn
	Use of Welsh Language in Internal Administration of the Council
	Public Services Board – governance arrangements

*May need to reschedule the meeting to ensure alignment with publication by Welsh Government of the Initial Settlement for 2020/21.

Items to be agenda'd:

Schools Modernisation Programme – Amlwch area / post-16 / Llangefni and Seiriol areas.
 Strategic Equality Plan 2020/24 (Partnership & Regeneration Scrutiny Committee, February 2020)



PARTNERSHIP AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME: 2017/2018→2019/2020

Chair: Councillor Gwilym O Jones
Vice-Chair: Councillor Glyn Haynes

This document summarises the forward work programme of the Partnership and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Work Programme for the period May 2017 onwards, as a rolling programme and purposeful Scrutiny planning tool. The forward work programme will be submitted to each ordinary meeting of the Scrutiny Committee for reviewing its content, consideration of new items or adjournment / withdrawal of items. Its purpose is also to ensure alignment with the forward work programmes of the Executive and Senior Leadership Team.

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Date of Meeting	Item	Purpose	Scrutiny Panel Input	Engagement	Wellbeing of Future Generations	Executive / Full Council
2017						
May, 2017						
31 May 2017	Election of Chair of the Committee	To appoint Chairperson				
	Election of Vice-Chair for the Committee	To appoint Vice-Chairperson				
June, 2017						
27 June 2017	Annual Report of Communities First	Monitoring Performance				
	Vibrant and Viable Places Programme	Information / monitoring performance				
	Membership of Panels and Boards	Nominate Members		√ (Members)		
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
October, 2017						
9 October 2017	Annual Report of the Community Safety Partnership	Monitoring Performance				
	Public Services Board (developing Anglesey and Gwynedd Wellbeing Plan)	Monitoring performance /policy development				
	Annual Report – Achievements against the Tenants Participation Strategy	Monitoring performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
November, 2017						
14 November 2017	Draft Well-being Plan: Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Services Board (Update)	Policy Development				
	Transformation of Culture Services	Pre-decision				√

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	Report on Welsh in Internal Administration	Performance Monitoring				
	Scrutiny Panel: Schools Progress Review (Progress Report)	Monitoring performance	√			
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
2018						
February, 2018						
6 February 2018	Report – Anglesey Schools Performance 2016-2017	Monitoring performance				
	GwE - Annual Report 2016 / 2017	Monitoring performance				
	Scrutiny Panel: Schools Progress Review (Progress Report)	Monitoring Performance	√			
	Membership of the Scrutiny Panel: Schools Progress Review	-		√ (Members)		
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
March, 2018						
8 March 2018	Draft Well-being Plan: Anglesey and Gwynedd Public Services Board	Policy Development				√
	Tenants Participation Strategy	Policy Development				√
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
April, 2018						
10 April 2018	Additional Learning Needs Partnership – Gwynedd and Môn	Monitoring Performance				

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	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
June, 2018						
19 June 2018	Membership of Finance Scrutiny Panel and Education Transformation Board			√ (Members)		
	Annual Report of Communities First	Monitoring Performance				
	Community Regeneration Plans – Amlwch and Beaumaris	Performance monitoring [Corporate Scrutiny Committee resolution, 02/10/17]				
	Scrutiny of Partnerships	Monitoring Performance		√ (Members)		
	Scrutiny Panel: Schools Progress Review (Progress Report)	Monitoring Performance	√			
	Forward Work Programme	Review			√ (Members)	
July, 2018						
9 July 2018	Medrwn Môn	Monitoring Performance				
	Anti-Poverty Strategy	Policy development				√
September, 2018						
24 September 2018	Annual Report - Regional Partnership Board (Health and Social Services)	Monitoring Performance				
	Annual Report of the Community Safety Partnership	Monitoring Performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review			√ (Members)	

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October, 2018						
15 October 2018	North Wales Fire and Rescue Service	Consultation				
	North Wales Regional Emergency Planning Service	Monitoring Performance				
	Forward Work Programme			√ (Members)		
November, 2018						
13 November 2018	Nominate Member to Finance Scrutiny Panel	-		√ (Members)		
	Regional Homelessness Strategy	Pre decision scrutiny				√
	Additional Learning Needs Partnership – Gwynedd and Môn	Monitoring performance				
	Public Services Board- initial scrutiny of PSB governance and delivery structure	Monitoring performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review			√ (Members)	
December, 2018						
12 December 2018	Anglesey Schools Standards 2017-2018	Monitoring performance				
	GwE - Annual Report 2017 / 2018	Monitoring performance				
	Scrutiny Panel: Schools Progress Review	Monitoring performance	√			
	Forward Work Programme	Review			√ (Members)	
2019						

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February, 2019						
5 February 2019	North Wales Partnership Board (Part 9) - Role and background of the board and its influence on specific areas on Anglesey	Committee request (24/9/18)				
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
March, 2019						
12 March 2019	Joint Working between the Health Board and the Council –Focus on areas of joint working in the community	Monitoring performance				
	Public Services Board - scrutiny of progress on delivery of the Well-being Plan	Monitoring performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
April, 2019						
9 April 2019	Supplementary Planning Guidance- Maintaining and creating distinctive and sustainable communities	Pre-decision scrutiny				
	Scrutiny Panel: Schools Progress Review (Progress Report)	Monitoring Performance	√			
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
June, 2019						
13 June 2019	Waste Management Contract	Pre-decision				

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	Additional Learning Needs Partnership – Gwynedd and Môn	Monitoring Performance				
	Public Services Board Annual Report	Monitoring Performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
July, 2019						
11 July, 2019 [Extraordinary meeting]	Transformation of Supported Living Services (learning disabilities)	Pre-decision				
	Annual Report: Regional Partnership Board (Part 9: Health and Social Services)	Monitoring performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
September, 2019						
11 September 2019	Safeguarding Arrangements	Monitoring Performance				
	Monitoring of Social Care Contracts	Monitoring Performance				
	Schools' Progress Review Panel (Progress Report)	Monitoring Performance	√			
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
October, 2019						
24 October 2019 [Extraordinary meeting]	Joint Local Development Plan – Annual Monitoring Report	Performance monitoring				
	Strategy for learning disabilities day opportunities (next steps)	Pre-decision				

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	Annual Report: Galw Gofal	Monitoring Performance				
	Scrutiny of Partnerships – Measuring Impact (Scrutiny Unit report)	Self Evaluation				
November, 2019						
12 November 2019	Additional Learning Needs Partnership – Gwynedd and Môn	Monitoring Performance				
	Community Safety Partnership Annual Report	Monitoring Performance				
	Public Services Board – scrutiny of governance and delivery structure					
	Use of Welsh Language in Internal Administration	Monitoring Performance				
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
December, 2019						
12 December 2019	Schools Standards Report (Summer 2019)	Performance monitoring				
	GwE Annual Report 2018/19	Performance monitoring				
	Schools' Progress Review Panel (Progress Report)	Performance monitoring	√			
2020						
February, 2020						
4 February 2020	Medrwn Môn (to be confirmed)	Performance monitoring				
	Strategic Equality Plan	Pre-decision				

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	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
March, 2020						
10 March 2020	Joint Working between the Health Board and the Council (to be confirmed)					
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		
April, 2020						
7 April 2020	Additional Learning Needs Partnership – Gwynedd and Môn					
	Schools' Progress Review Panel (Progress Report)		√			
	Forward Work Programme	Review		√ (Members)		

TOPICES TO BE SCHEDULED	
To be confirmed	Modernisation of Non-Statutory Leisure Service (3 year period) (Pre-decision scrutiny- monitoring Performance)
To be confirmed	Extra Care Housing (Seiriol Area) - (Joint Report: Housing +Adults Social Services)
To be confirmed	North Wales Growth Deal
To be confirmed	North Wales Fire and Rescue Service: Anglesey Area
To be confirmed	North Wales Police: Anglesey Area
To be confirmed	North Wales Emergency Planning Service
To be confirmed	Invitation to North Wales Police and Crime Commissioner / North Wales Police
To be confirmed	Scrutiny Arrangements – Public Services Board (Annual Report) (June 2020)

