

**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY  
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**AGENDA ITEM No.**

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**TITLE OF REPORT: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME  
REPORT OF THE SCRUTINY OFFICER**

**1. SUMMARY**

1.1 The Committee's work programme for 2014/15.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

2.1 The Committee is asked to review the Committee's work programme for 2014/15 at Table 1 in conjunction with the Forward Plan at Appendix A.

**3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 To enable the Committee to plan its work effectively.

**4. ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED**

4.1 None.

**5. CONSULTATION WITH EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS AND WARD MEMBERS**

5.1 None.

**6. FORWARD PLAN**

6.1 This report does not contain a recommendation on a key decision and has not been referred to in the Forward Plan.

**7. PROGRAMME FOR COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

7.1 The work programme is set out in Table 1 and the Forward Plan for 19 December 2014 is at **Appendix A**. The Committee is invited to consider which items to scrutinise at its meeting in March.

Table 1: Work Programme for Committee Meetings 2014/15

<p>17 Mar 2015</p>	<p>Cllr Lynda Needham, Leader of the Council Resolutions Report Update on the Use of Powers under RIPA Building Control – Hertfordshire Consortium – Business Case (tbc) 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Performance Indicator Report Task and Finish Group Report on Parking Overview &amp; Scrutiny Committee Annual Report Work Programme Report</p>
	<p><b>Future Items</b> Review of NHDCs Grants Policy Review of Memoranda of Understanding Review of Rural Grants Annual Review of Safeguarding (including DBS checks) – July 2015 Update on Employment Partnerships Task and Finish Group report – December 2015</p>

**8. TASK AND FINISH GROUPS**

- 8.1 The Task and Finish Group on Parking concluded on 9 December and its report should be ready for the Committee's consideration in March.
- 8.2 The Task and Finish Group on the Commercialisation of Council Services will meet on two evenings. The first meeting has been arranged for 25 February.

**9. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 9.1 None.

**10. FINANCIAL AND RISK IMPLICATIONS**

- 10.1 None.

**11. HUMAN RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS**

- 11.1 None.

**12. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 12.1 The Equality Act 2010 came into force on the 1 October 2010, a major piece of legislation. The Act also created a new Public Sector Equality Duty, which came into force on the 5 April 2011. There is a general duty, described below, that public bodies must meet, and this is underpinned by more specific duties which are designed to help meet them.
- 12.2 In line with the Public Sector Equality Duty, public bodies must, in the exercise of its functions: give due regard to the need to eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation; advance equality of opportunity; and foster good relations between those who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

12.3 There are no equalities implications arising from this report.

**13. SOCIAL VALUE IMPLICATIONS**

13.1 There are no social value implications arising from this report.

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**15. APPENDICES**

15.1 Appendix A – Forward Plan for 19 December 2014