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Meeting Budget and Performance Overview & Scrutiny

Sub-Committee

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Subject Budget and Performance Overview &

Scrutiny Committee Forward Work

Programme 2010/11

Report of Scrutiny Office

Summary This report outlines the Committee's work programme during

2010/11.

Officer Contributors None
Status (public or exempt) Public

Wards Affected All

Enclosures Appendix A – Budget and Performance Overview & Scrutiny

Committee Work Programme 2010/11

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1. RECOMMENDATIONS

1.1 That the Committee consider and comment on the items included in the 2010/11 work programme of the Budget and Performance Overview & Scrutiny Committee (Appendix A).

2 CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- 2.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committees/Sub-Committees must ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of the Council's priorities.
- 2.2 The three priority outcomes set out in the 2010/13 Corporate Plan are: -
 - Better services with less money
 - Sharing opportunities, sharing responsibilities
 - A successful London suburb
- 2.3 The following are strategic objectives and performance targets that relate to Overview and Scrutiny:
 - Improve council policy and decision making through greater involvement by non-executive members
 - To improve the effectiveness and transparency of decision-making within the council by ensuring that Overview and Scrutiny in the year 2010/11:
 - Considers three decisions prior to being taken by Cabinet; and
 - Initiates three items of policy development.

3. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS

3.1 None.

4. RISK MANAGEMENT ISSUES

4.1 None in the context of this report.

5. EQUALITIES AND DIVERSITY ISSUES

- 5.1 In addition to the Terms of Reference of the Committee, and in so far as relating to matters within its remit, the role of the Committee is to perform the Overview and Scrutiny role in relation to:
 - The Council's leadership role in relation to diversity and inclusiveness; and
 - The fulfilment of the Council's duties as employer including recruitment and retention, personnel, pensions and payroll services, staff development, equalities and health and safety.

- 6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)
- 6.1 None in the context of this report.

7. LEGAL ISSUES

7.1 None in the context of this report.

8 CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

8.1 The scope of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees/Sub-Committees is contained within Part 2, Article 6 of the Council's Constitution; the Terms of Reference of the Scrutiny Committees / Sub-Committees are included in the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules (Part 4 of the Council's Constitution).

9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 9.1 The Budget and Performance Overview & Scrutiny Committee's Work Programme 2010/11 indicates items of business previously considered by the Committee and forthcoming items.
- 9.2 The work programme of this Committee is intended to be a responsive tool, which will be updated on a rolling basis following each meeting, for the inclusion of areas which may arise through the course of the year.
- 9.3 The Committee is empowered to agree its priorities and determine its own schedule of work within the programme.

10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

10.1 None.

BUDGET AND PERFORMANCE OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PROGRAMME 2010/11

2010/11			
ITEMS CONSIDERED	INFORMATION	REPORT ORIGIN	LINK TO CABINET / CORPORATE PLAN
Quarterly Performance Indicators	A report presenting progress against the Corporate Plan performance indicators to be considered with a different area of particular focus at each meeting.	Internal - Performance	All priorities
Financial Forward Plan	To receive regular reports on the Financial Forward Plan and Risk Register.	Internal - Finance	Better Services with Less Money
Budget Scrutiny	 Receiving a report at an early meeting outlining the initial work towards the budget Receiving a report on the draft budget headlines and discussing any issues arising 	Internal – Finance	All priorities
	 Reviewing the budget consultation proposals, including the involvement of Scrutiny Reviewing the results of the consultation and the impact 		

	on budget decisions of Cabinet.		
Scrutiny of Partnerships	To receive the Annual Report of Partnerships, and to examine Council partnerships with other organisations.	Internal – Partnerships	A successful London suburb
Treasury Management Strategy	Scrutiny of Treasury Management Strategy	Internal – Finance	Better services with less money
Draft Corporate Plan 2011/12	To consider and comment on the Draft Corporate Plan.	Assistant Chief Executive	All priorities
Barnet Homes Performance Information and Business Plan	To consider annual Barnet Homes Performance Information and Business Plan.	External – Barnet Homes	'One Barnet'
Estates Management Strategy	To be included early in the municipal year	Internal – Commercial Services	Better services with less money
Restructure of Human Resources	To be consider the restructure of Human Resources	Internal - Finance	Better services with less money
IS Strategy	Requested at committee, 3/3/10.	Internal – Information Systems	Better services with less money

Major Projects in Progress	To be updated on the progress of Major Projects currently operating.	Internal - Finance	Better services with less money
Public Sector Spending Outlook	Outlook in terms of public spending picture in light of recession	Internal – Finance	Better services with less money
Parking Revenues	To receive a report on the Council's collection and spend of parking revenues.	Internal – Parking	Better services with less money
Cashless Operations	Report on Council moves towards cashless operations, including methods of payment	Internal – Finance	Better services with less money
Medium Term Financial Strategy	To receive the Medium Term Financial Strategy	Internal – Finance	Better services with less money

The Chairman issue regular invitations to external stakeholders to participate in discussions on relevant items where useful.