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Meeting Safeguarding Overview & Scrutiny Committee

Date 5 January 2012

Subject Cabinet Forward Plan

Report of Scrutiny Office

Summary This report provides Members with the current published Cabinet Forward Plan. The Committee is asked to comment on and consider the Cabinet Forward Plan when identifying future areas of scrutiny work.

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Status (public or exempt) Public

Wards affected All

Enclosures Appendices

Reason for urgency /
exemption from call-in Not applicable

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1. RECOMMENDATION

- 1.1 That the Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee comment on and consider the Cabinet Forward Plan when identifying areas of future Scrutiny work.

2. RELEVANT PREVIOUS DECISIONS

- 2.1 None.

3. CORPORATE PRIORITIES AND POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- 3.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committees must ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of the Council's priorities.
- 3.2 The three priority outcomes set out in the 2011/13 Corporate Plan are: –
- Better services with less money
 - Sharing opportunities, sharing responsibilities
 - A successful London suburb

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.
 - The Council is required to give due regard to its public sector equality duties as set out in the Equality Act 2010 and as public bodies, Health partners are also subject to equalities legislation; consideration of equalities issues should therefore form part of their reports.

6. USE OF RESOURCES IMPLICATIONS (Finance, Procurement, Performance & Value for Money, Staffing, IT, Property, Sustainability)

- 6.1 None.

7. LEGAL ISSUES

- 7.1 None save those contained within the body of the report.

8. CONSTITUTIONAL POWERS

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

9. BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 9.1 Under the current overview and scrutiny arrangements, the Safeguarding Overview and Scrutiny Committee will ensure that the work of Scrutiny is reflective of Council priorities, as evidenced by the Corporate Plan and the programme being followed by the Executive.
- 9.2 The Cabinet Forward Plan will be included on the agenda at each meeting of the Safeguarding Overview & Scrutiny Committee as a standing item.
- 9.3 The Committee is encouraged to comment on the Forward Plan.
- 9.4 The Committee is asked to consider items contained within the Forward Plan to assist in identifying areas of future scrutiny work, particularly focussing on areas where scrutiny can add value in the decision making process (pre-decision scrutiny).

10. LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 10.1 None.

**London Borough of Barnet
Forward Plan of Key Decisions
November 2011**

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Subject	Decision requested	Cabinet Member/ author	Consultation	Last date for reps	Documents to be considered
Special Cabinet Resources Committee, 14 December 2011					
Quarter 2 Monitoring and Performance Report	To seek the Committee's approval of the recommendations and forecast within the report and to approve virements and transfers.	Resources and Performance Maria Christofi			Full report
Treasury Management Outturn for quarter ended 30 September 2011	To receive a report providing an update on treasury management activity.	Resources and Performance John Hooton			Full report
Development and Regulatory Services Competitive Dialogue	To inform the Committee of those participating bidders that will be invited to submit detailed solutions	Customer Access and Partnerships Craig Cooper			Full report
Fees and Charges for the Environment, Planning and Regeneration Directorate	That the Committee approve the increases in Environment, Planning and Regeneration fees and charges for 2012/13 be implemented from 1 April 2012 or as soon as practicably possible.	Environment Pam Wharfe			Full Report
Award of Contract – Parking Services	To award to contract for the provision of Parking Services following a restricted procurement procedure	Environment Pam Wharfe / Craig Cooper			Full Report
Award of Contract – Corporate Buildings Security	To award to contract for the provision of the provision of a security service for corporate buildings.	Resources & Performance Craig Cooper			Full Report

West London Alliance	To agree that the Council join the West London Alliance.	Leader Craig Cooper			Full report
Stanley Road Playing Fields and Former Herbert Wilmot Centre East Finchley N2	To report on the outcome of the marketing of the site and to agree the next steps.	Resources & Performance Suzanna Ellis			Full Report
Cabinet Resources Committee 12 January 2012					
Housing Options	The Committee to consider options for future of housing service and to approve the recommended option.	Housing Kathy Osborne			Full report
LATC Business Case	To approve the Business Plan for the Barnet Group Limited.	Adults Kate Kennally			Full report
Legal Services	To consider a proposed shared service with the London Borough of Harrow.	Leader Jeff Lustig			Full report
Housing General Fund Write-offs	This report proposes the write off of individual debts in excess of £5,000 arising from Temporary Accommodation rental charges during the financial year 2005.	Housing Kathy Osborne			Full report
Debt Management Strategy	To approve the Debt Management Strategy.	Resources and Performance Andrew Travers			Full report
Cabinet 20 February 2012					
Business Planning 2011/12 – 2013/14	To agree the Financial and Business Planning process for the period 2012/13 to 2014/15.	Resources & Performance / Leader Andrew Travers	Programme of budget consultation to be carried out		Full report

Commissioning Council	To agree future organisational arrangements for the Council.	Leader Nick Walkley			Full report
Friern Barnet and Hampstead Garden Suburb libraries	To make a decision on the community proposals in relation to Friern Barnet and Hampstead Garden Suburb libraries.	Customer Access and Partnerships Julie Taylor			Full report
Outcome of consultation on the Local Tenancy Strategy and changes to the secure tenancy agreement	To consider the outcome of the consultation and to authorise any changes to the tenancy agreement.	Housing Kathy Osborne			Full report
Housing Allocation Scheme – 6 month review	To agree changes to housing allocations scheme.	Housing Kathy Osborne			Full report
Cabinet Resources Committee 28 February 2012					
Quarter 3 Monitoring and Performance Report	To seek the Committee's approval of the recommendations and forecast within the report and to approve virements and transfers.	Resources and Performance Maria Christofi			Full report
Treasury Management Outturn for quarter ended 30 December 2011	To receive a report providing an update on treasury management activity.	Resources and Performance John Hooton			Full report
Older Adults Framework Contract and Pricing Strategy	To seek agreement for a market strategy for older persons registered care.	Adults Kate Kennally			Full report
Debt write-off over £5000.00	To seek the approval to write-off debts over £5000.00	Resources and Performance Maria Christofi			Full report

Treasury Management Strategy 2012-13, Capital Prudential Borrowing and Authorised Limits	Approval of 2012-13 Treasury Management Strategy and Borrowing requirement	Resources and Performance John Hooton			Full report
Community Infrastructure Levy	To seek approval of a preliminary draft charging schedule for Barnet	Planning / Resources and Performance Martin Cowie / Lucy Shomali			Full report
NSCSO Business Case and Shortlist report	To seek approval of the Business Case and Shortlist report.	Customer Access and Partnerships Craig Cooper			Full report

There are no meetings scheduled to take place in March 2012.