Scrutiny & Overview Committee

The below table sets out the working version of the Scrutiny & Overview Committee work programme. The items have been scheduled following discussion with officers and may be subject to change depending on any new emerging priorities taking precedent.

| Meeting Date | Item | Scope | Directorate & Lead Officer |
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| 22 May 2023 | Annual Asset Disposal Strategy | | |
| | Waste & Street Cleansing Contract | | |
| | Month 11 2023-23 FPM Report | | |
| 6 June 2023 | Executive Mayor of Croydon – Scrutiny Update | The Mayor to provide an overview of his key achievements over the past year and outline his priorities for the year ahead to include: - How they will be delivered The main risks to delivery and how these are being managed. | Assistant Chief Executive Directorate David Courcoux |
| | Scrutiny Work Programme & Annual Report | The Committee to agree the work programme for itself and its Sub- Committees for the year ahead and agree the Scrutiny Annual Report for submission to Council. | Resources Simon Trevaskis |
| 25 July 2023 | Month 2 2023-24 FPM Report | This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget. | Allister Bannin Resources |

| | Equalities Strategy | Pre-decision discussion on the principles for the forthcoming refresh of the Council's Equalities Strategy. | David Courcoux Assistant Chief Executive |
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| 26 September 2023 | People & Cultural Transformation Strategy | The Committee has requested to review the action plan created to guide the delivery of the Strategy, along with the performance measures that will be used to determine the success of the strategy. The report will also include a specific focus on measures to improve recruitment and retention at the Council. | Dean Shoesmith Assistant Chief Executive |
| | Mayor Business Plan 2022-26 quarterly performance report | This report is provided for the Committee to review and comment upon the proposed performance indicators to be used to monitor the delivery of the Mayor's Business Plan. | Caroline Bruce Assistant Chief Executive |
| | P3 financial performance report | This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget. | Allister Bannin Resources |
| 6 October 2023 | The Colonnades, 619 Purley Way, Croydon, CR0 4RQ - Asset Disposal | To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on the asset disposal decision. | Huw Rhys-Lewis Resources |
| 24 October 2023 | Annual Complaints Report | The Committee will be presented with the Annual Complaints report for the Council for its information | Kim Hyland Assistant Chief Executive |
| | The Redevelopment of Purley High Street Carpark and Leisure Centre | To consider the Cabinet report on the Redevelopment of Purley High Street Carpark and Leisure Centre | Huw Rhys-Lewis Resources |

| | MTFS & Budget Proposals | To scrutinise the updated MTFS and Budget Proposals of the Administration, as set out in 25 October 2023 Cabinet report. | Jane West |
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| | FTOPOSAIS | | Resources |
| | P4 financial performance report | This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget. | Allister Bannin |
| | | | Resources |
| 21 November | Exit Strategy | To consider the Improvement & Assurance Panel's Exit Strategy for Croydon | Katherine Kerswell Chief Executive |
| 2023 | Crime & Disorder Item | To review the Community Safety Strategic Assessment | Christopher Rowney |
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| | Disposals- second tranche | To scrutinise the updated MTFS and Budget Proposals of the Administration, as set out in 25 October 2023 Cabinet report. | Huw Rhys-Lewis |
| | | | Resources |
| | P5 financial performance report | This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget. | Allister Bannin |
| | | | Resources |
| 16 January | Budget Scrutiny Deep Dives | To Subjects to be confirmed. | |
| 2024 | P7 financial performance report | This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget. | Allister Bannin Resources |
| | | | Jane West |
| 6 February 2024 | Final Budget | To review the final Budget Report ahead of finalising Scrutiny's views on | |
| 2024 | Scrutiny Session | the budget proposals. | Resources |
| | P8 financial | This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the | Allister Bannin |
| | performance report | delivery of 2023-24 budget. | Resources |

| 22 April 2024 | Contracts & Procurement | A review learning lessons from previous Council contracts. | | |
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| | | Customer Service Journey | To review the customer journey through across the Council | |
| | | Community & Voluntary Sector | To review the progress made with resetting the Council's relationship with the Community & Voluntary Sector. | |

Items of Interest

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but are highlighted areas of further scrutiny during the year ahead.

| Unallocated Items | Notes |
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| Climate Change Scrutiny | |
| Town Centre | To review plans for the town centre |
| Electoral Administration | To review plans for the delivery of 2024 London Mayoral Elections |
| Crime & Disorder Item | To review the Community Safety Strategic Assessment |

Children & Young People Sub-Committee

The below table sets out the working version of the Children & Young People Sub-Committee work programme. The items have been scheduled following discussion with officers and may be subject to change depending on any new emerging priorities taking precedent.

| Meeting Date | Item | Scope | Directorate & Lead Officer |
|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| 27 June 2023 | Update on Antenatal and Health Visiting Visits | To receive an update on Antenatal and Health Visiting. | Children, Young People, Education and Health Jane McAllister |
| | Cabinet Report - Maintained Nursery Schools Report | To receive the upcoming June Cabinet Report outlining the current position in relation to Croydon's Maintained Nursery Schools and options for the future provision of this in Croydon. The report sets out why this is required as a result of decreasing funding for Maintained Nursery Schools (MNS) and the impact that this is having on the budget situation for all of the Council's MNS settings. | Children, Young People, Education and Health Shelley Davies |
| 10 October 2023 | Youth Justice Plan 23/24 | To scrutinise the Council's statutory Youth Justice Plan for 2023/24. | Children, Young People & Education Róisín Madden |
| | Youth Safety Delivery Plan | To scrutinise the Cabinet report scheduled for September 2023, looking at the Council's work over the previous 12 month period to deliver on the Mayor's commitment to making Croydon's streets safer for young people, | Children, Young People & Education |

| | | the plan for the next three years of action, and the commitments to partnership working with the voluntary sector and community to tackle violence. | Debbie Jones |
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| 14 November 2023 | Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership - Annual Report 2022-23 | The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to: - 1. Note the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report 2022-2023 2. Consider whether there are any considerations or concerns it may wish to submit to the Cabinet as to whether the Annual Report provides sufficient reassurance on the performance and effectiveness of the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership. 3. Consider whether the Sub-Committee has any comments or suggestions on the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report 2023-2024 ahead of its development in the following year. | Children, Young People & Education Debbie Jones |
| 23 January 2024 | Budget Scrutiny Challenge | The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to review the information provided on three budget proposals (to be identified) and reach a conclusion on the following:- 1. Are the savings deliverable, sustainable and not an unacceptable risk. 2. Is the impact on service users and the wider community understood. 3. Have all reasonable alternative options been explored and do no better options exist. | Children, Young People & Education Debbie Jones |

| | Cabinet Report - Education Estates Strategy | For the Sub-Committee to consider whether there are any considerations or concerns it may wish to submit to the Cabinet during its consideration of the Strategy. | Children, Young People & Education Shelley Davies |
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| | Cabinet Report - Education Standards 2023 | For the Sub-Committee to receive the summarised performance of children and young people in Croydon schools for the academic year 22/23. | Children, Young People & Education Shelley Davies |
| 19 March 2024 | Update on Antenatal and Health Visiting Visits | To receive an update on Antenatal and Health Visiting. | Children, Young People, Education and Health Jane McAllister |
| | TBC | | |

Standing Items:

Early Help, Children's Social Care and Education Dashboard & Health Visiting KPI Data - To receive the Early Help, Children's Social Care and Education Dashboard and quarterly Health Visiting KPI Data.

Items of Interest

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but are highlighted as potential items of interest to be scheduled during the year ahead.

| Unallocated Items | Notes |
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| Recruitment and Retention | To review Staff Caseloads, AYSE Caseload Sharing and the number of supervisions carried out. |
| | To receive a breakdown of vacancies and caseloads by individual teams and to look at London Councils best practise for recruitment and retention. |
| | To undertake direct engagement with social workers |
| | To look at how feedback from exit interviews can be incorporated into retention strategies |
| Apprenticeships & Youth Unemployment | To look at the offer of available apprenticeships in the borough and data on youth unemployment. |
| OFSTED Reports | To review any OFSTED reports as and when they are available. |
| Delivery of Early Years Strategy | To review the delivery and implementation plan of the Early Years Strategy |
| SEND Strategy | To review the implementation of the SEND Strategy |
| Surplus Schools Places | To review the Surplus Schools Places report |
| Free School Meal offer in Croydon | To scrutinise the provision of free school meals in the borough through the Mayor of London scheme. |
| Cabinet Report – Maintained Nursery Schools | To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on the Cabinet Report following the public consultation on Maintained Nursery Schools. |
| Youth Justice Plan 24/25 | To scrutinise the Council's statutory Youth Justice Plan for 2024/25. |

Homes Sub-Committee

The below table sets out the working version of the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee work programme. The items have been scheduled following discussion with officers and may be subject to change depending on any new emerging priorities taking precedent.

| Meeting Date | Item | Scope | Directorate & Lead Officer |
|-----------------------|--|--|-------------------------------|
| 24 July 2023 | Housing Transformation Programme | To receive an update on the delivery of the Housing Transformation Programme | Lara Ashley |
| | Housing Strategy | Pre-Decision – To have an early discussion on the principles underlying the forthcoming Housing Strategy | Lara Ashley |
| | Mobilisation of the Responsive Repairs Contracts | To receive an update on the de-mobilisation/mobilisation of the response repair contracts. | Jerry Austin |
| 23 October 2023 | Update on the Development of the HRA Business Plan | To provide the Sub-Committee with the opportunity to comment on the principles underlying the development of the forthcoming Housing Revenue Account Business Plan. This will include an update on the Asset Management Strategy and rent increases | |
| | Residents Engagement Strategy | To provide the Sub-Committee with the opportunity to feed into the develop of the Residents Engagement Strategy. | |
| | Housing Strategy | To review the proposed Housing Strategy ahead of its consideration by Cabinet and Full Council. | |
| 29 January | HRA Business Plan & Budget 2023-24 | | |

| 2024 | Temporary/Emergency Accommodation Budget Deep Dive | | |
|------------------|--|---|--|
| | Housing Finance Update | To receive financial update on the latest position of the Housing General Fund and Housing revenue Account budgets. | |
| 16 April 2024 | Consumer Regulation | | |
| | Review of the Culture Change | To review the culture change workstreams within the Housing Transformation Programme. | |
| | Housing Finance Update | To receive financial update on the latest position of the Housing General Fund and Housing revenue Account budgets. | |

Areas to schedule

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but have been previously identified as areas of scrutiny to be scheduled during the year ahead.

| Unallocated Items | Notes |
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| Regina Road | |
| Update on the implementation of NEC system | Potential briefing |
| Update on savings delivery | Standard item on each agenda. |

Health & Social Care Sub-Committee

The below table sets out the working version of the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee work programme. The items have been scheduled following discussion with officers and may be subject to change depending on any new emerging priorities taking precedent.

| Meeting Date | Item | Scope | Directorate & Lead Officer |
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| 20 June 2023 | Front Runner Pilot Scheme | The Health & Social Care Sub-Committee is presented with a report on the Discharge Integration Frontrunner programme, which aims to bring together transformation efforts from across Croydon to develop an effective, integrated system across hospital, social and community care. | Adults Richard Eyre |
| | HSC Work Programme | To discuss areas of scrutiny for inclusion in the Sub-Committee work programme in 2023-24 | |
| 3 October 2023 | Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board – Annual Report | To review and comment upon the Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board annual report ahead of its consideration by the Mayor in Cabinet | Adult Safeguarding Denise Snow |
| | Transformation Update | To receive an update on the delivery of the three-year transformation programme in Adult Social Care. | Adults Richard Eyre |
| 30 January 2024 | ASC Budget deep- dive | The Health and Social Care Sub-Committee is asked to review the information provided on budget proposals. | Adults Richard Eyre |
| 12 March 2024 | CQC Assurance | To receive an update on the CQC Assurance process. | Adults Richard Eyre |

Areas to schedule

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but have been previously identified as areas of scrutiny to be scheduled during the year ahead.

| Unallocated Items | Notes |
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| A review of the cost of out of borough placements | Arising from the discussion on mental health provision in the borough |
| Commissioning for Community Sexual Health Services | To feed into the commissioning process of community sexual health services by the Public Health team. |
| Dementia Strategy | |
| CAMHS & SLAM | A review of the mental health services available for young people focusing on the transition between services. |
| Menopausal Health Services | To review the availability of menopausal services in the borough |
| Integrated Care System | To review the impact of the new ICS approach to services in the borough. |
| Dental Services | To review the provision of dental services in the borough. |
| Prostate Cancer Services | |

Streets & Environment

The below table sets out the working version of the Streets & Environment Sub-Committee work programme.

| Meeting Date | Item | Scope | Directorate & Lead Officer |
|-----------------------|--|--|---|
| 11 July 2023 | Pre-Decision: Parking Policy Transformation Project | To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on the upcoming Cabinet report covering the Parking Policy Transformation Project. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Steve Iles |
| | Consultation on the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy | To receive a presentation on the forthcoming consultation on updating the Council's Flood Risk Plan, so that the Sub-Committee can provide feedback and input into its development. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd |
| 1 November 2023 | Air Quality Action Plan 2023-2028 | To receive a presentation on the Council's Air Quality Action Plan 2023-2028 to allow the Sub-Committee to provide early feedback in advance of the full report to Cabinet in December 2023. | Sustainable Communities |

| | | | Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd |
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| | Cleaner Croydon | To receive an update on the Council's work on the Mayor's priority for delivering 'Cleaner Croydon'. The Sub-Committee will also receive feedback on its recommendations concerning the Waste & Recycling Contract. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Karen Agbabiaka |
| | Local Plan Review | For the Sub-Committee to receive a detailed presentation on the review of the Local Plan 2023/24, to facilitate Members to influence the content of the Local Plan Review ahead of its journey on to Cabinet and Council. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Steve Dennington |
| 30 January 2024 | Budget Scrutiny Challenge | The Sub-Committee is asked to review the information provided on three budget proposals (to be identified) and reach a conclusion on the following:- 1. Are the savings deliverable, sustainable and not an unacceptable risk. 2. Is the impact on service users and the wider community understood. 3. Have all reasonable alternative options been explored and do no better options exist. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd |

| | Local Plan/Local Development Scheme | To scrutinise any outstanding Local Plan issues, as well as early pre- decision scrutiny on the CIL charging schedule adoption and Planning obligations SPD adoption. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Heather Cheesbrough, Steve Dennington |
|-----------------|--|---|---|
| 2 April 2024 | Climate Change Action Plan | To review and provide feedback on the Council's Climate Action Plan. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd |
| | Waste contract procurement award- May 2024 | To scrutinise the Waste contract procurement award. | Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Karen Agbabiaka |

Standing Items:

| Work Programme Item | Notes |
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| Financial Monitoring for SCRER | Standing Item tracking progress with the delivery of 2023/24 Budget using the latest Cabinet Financial Performance report (To review by exception). |

Items of Interest

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but are highlighted as potential items of interest to be scheduled during the year ahead.

| Unallocated Items | Scrutiny Officer Notes |
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| Environment Bill Responsibilities | To review the additional responsibilities that will fall upon the Council following the adoption of the Environment Bill |
| Biodiversity Strategy | To review the upcoming Biodiversity Strategy once written. |
| Implications of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill | To review the possible implications of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill |
| Review of the Waste Contract | To review the progress on the review of the Waste Contract. |
| Environmental Enforcement | To review the Environmental Enforcement service. |
| Protection of green spaces and parks | To look at the protection of parks and green spaces in the borough, including the support fund and Council strategy. |
| Clean Water and Sewage (Thames Water) | To look at the water quality in the borough and the risks of contamination from sewerage. |
| Transport, Active Transport & School Streets | To look at the strategy for Transport, Active Transport, Healthy Streets & School Streets in the borough, alongside Road Fatalities & Speed Limits |
| Transformation of Independent Travel | To review the transformation of the Independent Travel Service – End of 2023/24 |
| Habitat Action Plan | To review and provide feedback on the Council's Habitat Action Plan. |
| Cleaner Croydon/Blitz Clean Update | To receive an update on work towards achieving the Mayor's priority for delivering 'Cleaner Croydon', and to monitor whether the blitz clean programme |

| was successful and having a sustained impact on district centres, alongside data on the number of businesses and residents engaged during the cleans. |
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