

CRIME & DISORDER SUB-COMMITTEE

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Subject Heading:

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Proposed Work Programme for the Crime and Disorder Sub-Committee for the 2015/16 Municipal Year

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SUMMARY

At this stage of the municipal year the Sub-Committee is required, so far as is practicable, to agree its work programme for the forthcoming year. This applies to both the work plan for the Committee as a whole and to the subject of any topic group run under the Committee's auspices.

This report provides Members with a suggested programme for scrutiny of the crime and disorder portfolio, during 2015/16.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Members are asked to consider the proposed work programme for the Subcommittee for the 2015/16 municipal year.

The Sub-Committee is also requested to consider what should be the subject of its next topic group review, if any.

REPORT DETAIL

1. BACKGROUND

The Crime and Disorder Sub-Committee meets four times a year to scrutinise issues relating to crime and disorder in the borough. To provide some structure to the Sub-Committee's reviews, officers have prepared a suggested work programme, in discussion with the Chair of the Sub-Committee, for Members to consider.

2. PROPOSED WORK PROGRAMME

2.1 The below schedule sets out some topics which the Sub-Committee may wish to consider as part of its scrutiny functions this year.

Current Meeting (2 July 2014)	Meeting 2 (24 September 2015)	Meeting 3 (19 January 2016)	Meeting 4 (1 March 2016)
Demonstration of the MOPAC Dashboard	Crime Statistics and Metropolitan Police update	Reducing Re- offending – possible Topic group to look at the imprisonment of those with Mental Health issues.	Crime Statistics and Metropolitan Police update
Crime Statistics	Psychoactive Substances Bill - update	Review of Annual Prevent Plan	Review of Youth Offending Services
Update on Transforming Rehabilitation (Probation reforms)	Serious Youth Violence Strategy - update	Reducing Reoffending Strategy	Report on crime over Christmas and New Year
	Drug Misuse and Alcohol Strategies consultation.		Reducing Business Crime Strategy

2.2 Members will note that some of the work plan has been left blank at this stage. This is to reflect the fact that Members may well wish to select further issues for scrutiny. In addition, previous experience has shown that it is beneficial to leave some excess capacity for scrutiny in order to allow the Sub-Committee to respond fully to any consultations or other urgent issues that may arise during the year.

2.3 Additionally, the Sub-Committee has the power to select an issue for more in depth scrutiny as part of a topic group review. Council has recommended that, in view of limited resources, only one such topic group is run at any one time. The Sub-Committee is therefore requested to consider what should be the subject of its next topic group review, if any.

IMPLICATIONS AND RISKS

Financial implications and risks: None – it is anticipated that the work of the Sub-Committee can be supported from existing resources.

Legal implications and risks: None

Human Resources implications and risks: None

Equalities implications and risks: There will be some equalities implications arising from the topics recommended for review by the sub-committee. These will be highlighted to Members in their respective reports.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

None.