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Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee

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1. To conduct reviews of policy, services or aspects of service which have either been referred by Cabinet, relate to the Cabinet Forward Plan, or have been chosen by the Committee according to the agreed criteria for selecting such reviews;
2. To monitor the performance of the Council services within their remit (including the management of finances and risk);
3. To comment on the proposed annual service and budget plans for the Council services within their remit before final approval by Cabinet and Council;
4. To consider the Forward Plan and comment as appropriate to the decision-maker on Key Decisions which relate to services within their remit (before they are taken by the Cabinet);
5. To review or scrutinise decisions made or actions taken by the Cabinet, a Cabinet Member, a Council Committee or an officer.
6. To make reports and recommendations to the Council, the Leader, the Cabinet, a Policy Overview Committee or any other Council Committee arising from the exercise of the preceding terms of reference.
7. In accordance with the Local Government and Public Involvement in Health Act 2007, to consider ‘Councillor Calls For Action’ (CCfA) submissions.

To perform the overview role outlined above in relation to the following matters:

1. Social care services for children, young persons and children with special needs
2. Oversee the Council’s Corporate Parenting responsibilities
3. Adoption and Fostering
4. Family Services
5. Adult Social Care
6. Older People’s Services
7. Care and support for people with physical disabilities, mental health problems and learning difficulties
8. Asylum Seekers
9. Local Authority Public Health services
10. Encouraging a fit and healthy lifestyle
11. Health Control Unit, Heathrow
12. Encouraging home ownership
13. Social and supported housing provision for local residents
14. Homelessness and housing needs
15. Home energy conservation
16. National Welfare and Benefits changes

Agenda

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Minutes

**SOCIAL CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH
POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE
13 June 2018**



Meeting held at Committee Room 5 - Civic Centre, High Street, Uxbridge

	<p>Committee Members Present: Councillors Jane Palmer (Chairman), Duncan Flynn (Vice-Chairman), Alan Deville, Ian Edwards, Tony Eginton, Janet Gardner, Becky Haggart, Paula Rodrigues and Mark Markham</p> <p>LBH Officers Present: Dan Kennedy - Deputy Director, Housing, Environment, Education, Health & Wellbeing, Mark Billings – Housing Manager, Debby Weller – Policy and Strategy Manager (Housing), Tony Zaman - Corporate Director – Adults, Children and Young People, Sandra Taylor - Assistant Director, Provider and Commissioned Care Kate Kelly-Talbot - Assistant Director, Adult Social Care, Nina Durnford - Assistant Director, Older People and Physical Disabilities, Janice Altenor – Head of Service – Safeguarding and Quality Assurance and Anisha Teji – Democratic Services Officer</p>
3.	<p>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND TO REPORT THE PRESENCE OF ANY SUBSTITUTE MEMBERS (<i>Agenda Item 1</i>)</p> <p>Apologies received from Cllr Judith Cooper, with Cllr Michael Markham substituting.</p>
4.	<p>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN MATTERS COMING BEFORE THIS MEETING (<i>Agenda Item 2</i>)</p> <p>None.</p>
5.	<p>TO RECEIVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (<i>Agenda Item 3</i>)</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the minutes from 10 May 2018 were approved as an accurate record.</p>
6.	<p>TO AGREE THE MINUTES FROM POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEES IN 2017/18 (<i>Agenda Item 4</i>)</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the minutes from policy overview committees in 2017/18 be approved subject to the minor typo correction.</p>
7.	<p>TO CONFIRM THAT THE ITEMS OF BUSINESS MARKED AS PART I WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PUBLIC AND THAT THE ITEMS MARKED AS PART II WILL BE CONSIDERED IN PRIVATE (<i>Agenda Item 5</i>)</p> <p>It was confirmed that there were no Part II items, and that all business would therefore be conducted in public.</p>
8.	<p>THE ROLE OF POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEES (<i>Agenda Item 6</i>)</p> <p>Members had regard to the report entitled 'The Role of Policy Overview Committees' which provided information about the general purpose and role of the Council's policy</p>

overview and scrutiny arrangements, the Committee's updated terms of reference and information about how reviews were undertaken.

The report also gave details about the changes to the work programme, which would now span over multiple municipal years, giving the Committee with an opportunity to undertake more in-depth and thorough reviews.

Members discussed possible review topics for the coming year. Some of the ideas suggested included:

- A review on corporate parenting. Although it was noted that this was ongoing work as part of the work programme and changes ought to be embedded before considering any reviews.
- A review looking into the transport provided for children with special education needs and disabilities.
- A review into the Council's action to tackle health and inequalities. Although this was a good idea, it was noted that this was a broad area and needed to be narrowed down.
- A review into homelessness and housing needs, particularly in light of the changes to universal credit and housing benefits. It was acknowledged that this led to other consequential impacts such as not being able to pay rent, mental and physical health issues.

It was noted that this area had been reviewed previously. However Members commented that a review in this area would be welcomed in terms of understanding how changes in the benefits system were organised. It was also suggested that the review could explore how well the Council worked with partners and corporately.

- A review into life expectancy, particularly given the clear divide between the North and South of the Borough where there was a difference of at least 10 years in the life expectancy.
- A review into domestic abuse and what mechanisms were in place to support victims.
- A review into dementia. Although it was noted that a loneliness review had recently been undertaken by the previous POC and was due to go to Cabinet in June 2018.
- A review looking into community mental health teams and whether there was an adequate focus on local care and clinical approaches.

The Chairman acknowledged that the Committee had a massive remit. It was discussed that it would be beneficial to have a more focused review. It was confirmed that considering welfare reforms would look into other aspects such as mental health, life skills and vulnerable adults. The review into universal credit and housing benefits could also explore partnership working and it would come at a good timing with further changes due to be implemented in July 2018.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the information in the report be noted; and
- 2) That officers prepare a scoping report and agree terms of reference for the selected topic for review.

9. **UPDATE REPORT ON CURRENT HOUSING POLICY ENVIRONMENT** (*Agenda Item 7*)

Officers introduced the report on the current housing policy environment and highlighted the key points raised. The report provided a general overview of key housing policy and legislative changes.

The key pointed highlighted included:

- The main provisions of the Homelessness Reduction Act 2017 came into force on 3 April 2018.
- Rough sleeping was a key issue and there were 36 rough sleepers identified in Hillingdon; 29 at the airport and seven in the Borough.
- Between 8 March 2018 to 31 May 2018, the government had consulted on measures to be included in the draft domestic abuse bill. Officers were waiting to see the reaction and outcome to this.
- New measures had been introduced to crack down on rogue landlords including civil penalties for up to £30k, extension of rent repayments to cover illegal evictions, breach of a banning order and certain other specified offences. Further action would be undertaken in relation to the mandatory licensing of HMOs, which would have an impact on workload.
- The rating and council tax empty dwellings bill would permit a charge of up to 200% of normal council tax on properties that have been empty for two years or more.
- A new system for supported housing was announced on 31 October 2017 alongside proposals to improve local planning and commissioning for supported housing in a National Statement of Expectations.
- The London Housing Strategy was published in May 2018 and would be considered by the London Assembly and Secretary of State for Housing, Communities and Local Government. The main priority was to build many more homes for Londoners, particularly affordable homes.

Members commended officers for the wide-ranging and useful report and also the comprehensive summary.

In response to Member questions, officers confirmed that the London Housing Strategy and the Draft London Plan were both in line together and if a threshold of 35% affordable housing was met, then developers could go ahead with planning developments without having to undergo a viability assessment. Officers confirmed that no civil penalties had yet been imposed in respect of the private rented sector. A fund of £30 million would be used for rough sleeping.

Members were keen to see quantitative data to support the challenges that officers faced.

RESOLVED:

- 1) That the contents of the report be noted;

- 2) That the officers be thanked for the report; and
- 3) That the request for quantitative data showing the challenges officers faced be presented to Committee.

10.	<p>INFORMATION REPORT ON COUNCIL'S CORPORATE PARENTING ROLE (Agenda Item 8)</p> <p>Officers introduced the report entitled 'The Council's Corporate Parenting Responsibilities' and provided an overview. The report provided a briefing to Members regarding the Council's Corporate Parenting responsibilities.</p> <p>In summary, it was highlighted that there had been a number of years of improvement and close scrutiny within childrens services. A number of partnerships had developed with different forums. Ofsted had recently inspected children's social care and the results were considerably better than previous inspections. Officers noted the new governance arrangements which provided an opportunity to report directly to Cabinet, in respect of the Council's Corporate Parenting Responsibilities.</p> <p>Members commended officers for the 'good' Ofsted inspections and their hard work. However, some Members were concerned that the new governance arrangements, in no longer having a corporate parenting board, downgraded responsibilities. There was a concern that from having six corporate parenting board meetings a year to only having two items as part of the POC's work programme would not allow proper enquiries to be undertaken. Some Members questioned whether the degree of investigation could be provided, given the POC's wide remit.</p> <p>Officers confirmed that there were still mechanisms supporting children in care and nothing had changed in this respect. It was for the discretion of the Committee as to the lines of enquiries it saw fit to make and the governance arrangements strengthened the ways of working as there was an opportunity now to report directly to Cabinet.</p> <p>It was acknowledged that every Councillor was accountable towards the 687 children in care and this was a huge responsibility. It was noted that this was a very experienced Committee, with Members having a diverse background ranging in expertise. The Chairman urged Members to give the new arrangements a chance and was confident in the ability to make a difference. Members also commented that there was plenty of opportunity to scope relevant topics, and if there were areas of concern this could be brought to the Committee's attention for investigation.</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Committee noted the contents of the report and the role the Committee and all Members have in championing the corporate parenting ethos across the Council.</p>
11.	<p>FORWARD PLAN (Agenda Item 9)</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Cabinet Forward Plan be noted.</p>
12.	<p>WORK PROGRAMME (Agenda Item 10)</p> <p>RESOLVED: That the Work Programme 2017-18 be noted.</p>

The meeting, which commenced at 7.00 pm, closed at 8.05 pm.

These are the minutes of the above meeting. For more information on any of the resolutions please contact Anisha Teji on 01895 277655. Circulation of these minutes is to Councillors, Officers, the Press and Members of the Public.

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Cover Report - Universal Credit and other welfare benefit changes: likely favourable and adverse impacts, risks and local partnership response

Committee name	Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee
Officer reporting	Debbie Weller, Policy and Strategy Manager (Housing)
Papers with report	Scoping Report - Universal Credit and other welfare benefit changes: likely favourable and adverse impacts, risks and local partnership response
Ward	All

HEADLINES

To receive the draft scoping report on the proposed review topic.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:

1. Gives consideration to the detail contained in the draft scoping report and makes comments and suggestions on the detail contained within.
2. Requests clarification and further information from officers.
3. Agrees the report title, scoping report and the witnesses that will be required for the Committee to conduct its review.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Following discussion at the June 2018 meeting of the Committee, it was agreed that officers would produce a scoping report for consideration at the July 2018 meeting.

Subject to the agreement of the Committee, officers will make arrangements for witness sessions to be held at the September 2018, October 2018, November 2018 and January 2019 Committee meetings. This will be followed by presentation of the draft final report at the February 2019 meeting.

Implications on related Council policies

Policy Overview Committees are at the heart of how the Council shapes policy at Member level.

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How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

Policy Overview Committees directly engage residents in shaping policy and recommendations from the Committees seek to improve the way the Council provides services to residents.

Financial Implications

None at this stage.

Legal Implications

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

See Scoping Report.

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Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview (Scrutiny) Committee Review Scoping Report

Universal Credit and other welfare benefit changes: likely favourable and adverse impacts, risks and local partnership response

1. REVIEW OBJECTIVES

Aim and background to review

The roll out of Universal Credit carries risks in relation to both the Housing Revenue Account through increased rent arrears, and of increased homelessness resulting from potential evictions and a reluctance of landlords to house benefit claimants. This review is concerned with understanding the current and likely future impact of UC and other welfare reform changes on Hillingdon residents and organisations. This will include examining lessons from other areas where the full UC service has been rolled out earlier.

The review will make practical recommendations for how the Council, working with partner organisations, can support residents through the transition to, and future successful management of, their UC claims.

Terms of Reference

1. To understand the impact that the introduction of the full UC service has had in areas where it has been rolled out. To include the cumulative impact of the introduction of UC and other welfare benefit changes.
2. To understand the impact that UC, alongside other welfare benefit changes, is having and is expected to have on local residents in Hillingdon and on the income and costs of the Council, housing associations and other local organisations.
3. To examine how the Council services, housing associations and voluntary groups are supporting residents to transition to UC and manage their claims.
4. To make practical, prudent recommendations to Cabinet (and other bodies if applicable) from the Committee's findings to support residents transitioning to UC and to manage their claims.

2. INFORMATION AND ANALYSIS

Current context

UC is the Government's flagship welfare scheme that aims to simplify the benefits system for working age people by bringing together out of work and in work benefits, improve the transition to employment, and make work pay by removing disincentives to work. It is one of a number of reforms to the welfare system since the Welfare Reform Act 2012, which include the under-occupancy rules for social housing, the Benefit Cap, reform of Local Housing Allowance for private rented properties, changes to Disability Living Allowance and Employment Support Allowance and the limiting of benefit claims under UC to two children after January 2019 when larger families can apply for UC.

UC replaces six means tested benefits and tax credits known as the legacy benefits which include:

- Income-based Jobseekers Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Income Support
- Child Tax Credit
- Working Tax Credit
- Housing Benefit (unless certain exemptions apply)

In 2016, the DWP began rolling-out the "Full Service" – the final digital version of UC, available for all claimant groups. The Full Service was to have been rolled-out to every part of the United Kingdom by September 2018, but in autumn 2017, following

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emerging evidence of problems experienced by people moving onto UC, the Government slowed the roll-out plans significantly for January to March 2018 while it introduced measures intended to ease the transition to UC (see box below). These included abolishing the 7-day “waiting period”, increasing the amount of the advance payment people can get at the start of their claim and extending the repayment period for advances, and allowing people moving onto UC to continue to receive Housing Benefit for two weeks. The pace of roll-out is now accelerating again.

The Live Service roll out began in Hillingdon on 2 November 2015 for new single claimants only with no children and not in receipt of a disability benefit. To allow for the changes to UC to be implemented, the Live Service roll out was halted from 31 December 2017. Prior to Full Service roll out, new claimants have been asked to claim legacy benefits or tax credits. Those already on the Live Service will remain unaffected until they transition to UC Full Service. At the end of December 2017 there 890 households in receipt of UC in Hillingdon, of which 59 were council tenants. By the end of June 2018, the number of UC claims in payment for council tenants had reduced to 31.

The main Full Service roll out of UC for new claimants in Hillingdon is scheduled for October 2018, however two postcodes in Hillingdon came onstream on 04.07.2018: HA5 and HA6 linked to the Eastcote and Northwood areas. This will affect new claimants and those with certain changes of circumstances that fall within a fairly narrow definition. For example, if a single person in receipt of income-based Jobseeker’s Allowance has a child, they cannot make a claim for Child Tax Credit or Income Support and must claim UC instead. The rules governing “natural migration” to UC – particularly in relation to what does and what does not constitute a change in circumstances triggering a claim for UC – are extremely complicated. The rules state that once on UC in a Full Service area, it is not possible to return to legacy benefits (with limited exceptions).

When the Full Service is introduced in an area, new claims are taken from all claimant types and existing Live Service claimants are moved over to the new system. New claims for “legacy” benefits – the benefits and tax credits UC is replacing – cannot be made (with limited exceptions). The managed migration of those on legacy benefits will take place between 2019 and 2023.

Key Information

In “Full Service” areas claimants are normally be expected to make a claim for UC online and to manage their claim, including reporting changes in circumstances, via an online account. UC is paid monthly in arrears and, unless exceptional circumstances apply, as a single payment covering all the household’s needs.

Changes made to UC Implementation

DWP began to roll-out UC in April 2013. The roll-out period has been pushed back several times and is now expected to complete in 2023.

In response to concerns about the impact UC was having in areas where the Full Service had been introduced, the Government announced a series of measures in Autumn 2017 including:

- Moving the UC helpline from an 0345 number to a Freephone 0800 number;
- “Refreshed” guidance for DWP Work Coaches for them to be more “upfront” in offering UC advances payments (payments to help tide people over pending their first payment of UC, worth up to 50% of their estimated award and usually repayable over 6 months); and
- Ensuring that advances could be paid within 5 working days of the request, or on the same day if necessary

In the November 2017 Budget the Government announced a further package of changes worth £1.5 billion in total over the next few years. It comprised:

- From January 2018, allowing people to receive UC advances worth 100% of their estimated award, and extending the repayment period from 6 to 12 months
- From February 2018, abolishing the 7 “waiting days” at the beginning of a new claim, so that the minimum wait before first payment of UC should now be 5 weeks rather than 6 weeks, after the claim is registered. It also meant there was no longer a period at the beginning of a claim for which no benefit was paid
- From April 2018, introducing a 2 week Housing Benefit “run-on” for people moving to UC. New UC claimants previously in receipt of Housing Benefit will continue to be paid for two weeks after benefit would normally have ceased
- From Spring 2018, a new facility allowing online applications for UC advances
- Making it easier for claimants to have their housing element paid to the landlord. Guidance has been issued to DWP staff to ensure that UC claimants in the private rented sector whose Housing Benefit is directly their landlord is offered that option at the start of their UC claim
- A short-term measure to continue support for temporary accommodation through Housing Benefit
- Partnership working with Citizens Advice to provide more face to face support for UC claimants

On 7 June 2018 the Secretary of State for Work and Pensions, Esther McVey, announced four changes to the rules concerning transitional protection for people moving onto UC, “to ensure that UC supports people into work, protects vulnerable claimants and is targeted at those who need it”.

- Individuals living alone and in receipt of Severe Disability Premium will not move to UC until they qualify for transitional protection
- An award or increase in child care costs will not erode transitional protection
- Claimants will be re-awarded transitional protection that ceased due to higher earnings if they make a new UC claim within three months of when they received the additional payment
- Capital in excess of £16,000 will be disregarded for Tax Credit claimants for 12 months from the point of when they are moved to UC.

Responsibilities

Council Service Areas

Administration

Residents Services

Finance

Adults, Children and Young People’s Services

External Services

DWP/Jobcentre Plus

CAB

Credit Union

Housing Associations

Private Landlords

Letting Agents

Other Voluntary Sector Partners

The portfolio Cabinet Member responsible is Councillor Philip Corthorne.

Connected activity

The Hillingdon Homelessness Prevention Strategy is being reviewed and updated over the next 12 months in light of the implementation of the Homelessness Reduction Act and new statutory homelessness guidance. Managing the impact of welfare reform is a priority within the current strategy and the introduction of Universal Credit and other benefit changes remain key factors to be taken account of.

Business Improvement Delivery (BID) have a project team looking at corporate customer access.

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Current intelligence, best practice and research

National Audit Office Report: Rolling out Universal Credit

<https://www.nao.org.uk/report/rolling-out-universal-credit/>

Carrying the debt: measuring the impact of Universal Credit on tenants and landlords - survey results 2018, Association of retained council housing and National Federation of ALMOs, July 2018

http://www.almos.org.uk/news_docs.php?subtypeid=24

Understanding how Universal Credit influences employment behaviour: findings from qualitative and experimental research with claimants, DWP, Sept 2017

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/universal-credit-understanding-how-it-influences-employment-behaviour>

Further information

London Borough of Hillingdon website <https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/benefits>

Government website <https://www.gov.uk/universal-credit>

The Money Advice Service website

<https://www.moneyadviceservice.org.uk/en/articles/universal-credit-an-introduction>

Citizens Advice website <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/benefits/universal-credit/>

House of Commons Briefing Paper, Universal Credit roll-out: 2018-19

<https://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/ResearchBriefing/Summary/CBP-8299>

3. EVIDENCE & ENQUIRY

Witness testimony

Potential witnesses could include:

- Citizens Advice Hillingdon
- Hillingdon Credit Union
- Department for Work & Pensions including JCP
- Local voluntary groups and charities
- LBH staff
- Other London Boroughs with an earlier roll out of UC
- Housing Associations operating in Hillingdon
- Landlords / Letting Agents

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Key information required

Potential Consultation & Communications

Committee may want to consider a site visit to the Uxbridge JCP office.

Lines of enquiry

Lines of enquiry could include:

- What lessons have been learnt from the implementation of UC to date?
- Who will UC affect and when?
- What are the advantages of the introduction of UC?
- How do UC and other benefit changes impact on each other?
- What are the potential risks and how can they be mitigated?
- What are the wider impacts i.e. debt, mental health?
- What are the fears, perceptions and intentions of landlords?
- How can vulnerable groups be assisted?
- How are claimants managing with being paid monthly in arrears?
- Is the Alternative Payment Arrangements system working effectively?
- What is the likely impact on service delivery?
- How can rent arrears be minimised?
- How can evictions be minimised?
- How can digital technology help?
- What services are available and how can they be accessed?
- What actions are the Council and its partners taking to assist with a smooth transition to UC?
- What action is needed to raise awareness of UC in a timely way?

Emerging conclusions or themes for development

These will emerge and become apparent as the review progresses.

4. REVIEW PLANNING & ASSESSMENT

Proposed timeframe & milestones for the review up to Cabinet and beyond in terms of monitoring:

Meeting Date	Action	Purpose / Outcome
30 July 2018	Consider Scoping Report	Agree Scoping Report

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26 September 2018	Witness Session 1	Evidence & enquiry - witness evidence Information and analysis Setting the scene - Understanding UC and the claimant journey
17 October 2018	Witness Session 2	Evidence & enquiry - witness evidence Hillingdon Council's approach Other Local Authorities experience
28 November 2018	Witness Session 3	Evidence & enquiry - witness evidence Approach by other providers - Housing associations and private landlords
9 January 2019	Witness Session 4	Evidence & enquiry - witness evidence Voluntary sector partners
6 February 2019	Draft Final Report	Proposals – agree recommendations and final draft report
20 March 2019	Target Cabinet - Consider Final Report	Agree recommendations and final report
	Monitoring of implementation of recommendations	

Resource requirements

None.

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2019/20 BUDGET PLANNING REPORT FOR SERVICES WITHIN THE REMIT OF SOCIAL CARE, HOUSING & PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE

Committee name	Social Care, Housing & Public Health Policy Overview Committee
Officer reporting	Iain Watters, Financial Planning Manager Peter Malewicz, Finance Manager
Papers with report	N/A
Ward	All

HEADLINES

This is the first opportunity for the Policy Overview Committee to discuss the current stage of development of budget planning work with regard to services within the remit of Social Care, Housing & Public Health Policy Overview Committee. This paper gives a strategic context in which the detailed proposals to be discussed at Policy Overview Committee meetings in January 2019 will need to be considered.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Committee notes the financial context in which the 2019/20 budget setting process will take place in advance of detailed savings proposals being developed and approved at Cabinet in December 2018.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

2. This is the first of two opportunities within the planning cycle for the Policy Overview Committee to consider issues relating to budget planning for 2019/20 and beyond. The focus of this report is the broader financial position of the Council, with the report to be considered in January 2019 setting out the detailed budget proposals for relevant services, those proposals having been included in the report to Cabinet on the Medium Term Financial Forecast (MTFF) on 13 December 2018.

Corporate Overview – General Fund

3. While the focus of the discussion for the Policy Overview Committee should be the specific services within its remit, it is important that this discussion is conducted in the context of the overall corporate financial position. The following paragraphs outline the medium term financial position presented in the 2018/19 Budget Setting Report approved by Cabinet and Council in February 2018.
4. A challenging outlook for the medium term was outlined in February, with a headline budget gap of £54,987k over the four years 2019/20 to 2022/23 against a 2018/19 budget requirement of £220,336k. £20,635k of this headline savings requirement falls in 2019/20, which is the

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final year of the current multi-year funding settlement. This opening position assumes no Council Tax increases or Use of General Balances to delay the requirement for savings.

5. As in previous years, this gap is driven by a combination of inflation, service pressures and funding reductions, with the additional challenge of substantial increases in the debt servicing costs to support planned capital expenditure. The following table outlines the relative contribution of each of these factors, with capital financing accounting for close to 90% of the £9,313k Corporate Items figure quoted below.

Table 1: Projected Budget Gap (2019/20 to 2022/23)

	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	Total
	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Inflation	7,064	5,626	5,683	5,741	24,114
Contingency	3,045	3,298	3,453	3,455	13,251
Corporate Items	3,417	1,998	2,043	1,855	9,313
Loss of One-Off Funding	3,561	5,400	0	0	8,961
Change in Recurrent Funding	3,548	(1,340)	(1,355)	(1,505)	(652)
Annual Budget Gap	20,635	14,982	9,824	9,546	54,987
Cumulative Budget Gap	20,635	35,617	45,441	54,987	

6. The £24,114k inflation pressure is primarily driven by workforce costs and uplifts in the cost of social care packages, with only £4,452k provided against other contracted out services, facilities costs and external levies. This inflation projection is built around a central assumption that the Consumer Prices Index returns to the 2% Bank of England target rate over coming twelve months.
 - a. Workforce expenditure accounts for £12,814k of this pressure, with the second year of the current pay offer of 5.3% over two years assumed to be followed by 2% per annum increases, alongside a projected 2.5% increase in Employer's Pension Contributions.
 - b. Adult Social Care placements account for a further £5,898k inflation, assuming 2% per annum increases are required to keep wages in the sector competitive with the broader economy.
 - c. Similar demands on Children's Placement providers are expected to require a further £1,433k increases over the four-year period.
7. Increased demand on services from a growing and changing population is expected to drive a £13,251k growth in contingency budgets, reflecting material movements in demand across Adult Social Care, Waste Disposal, Children's Services and SEN Transport.
 - a. The cost of Adult Social Care placements are projected to grow by £6,667k in line with 2% per annum growth in older population alongside the impact of children transitioning into the service from education and other settings.
 - b. An uplift of £3,450k in the cost of Waste Disposal is expected to be driven by annual increases in waste volumes and disposal costs of around 5.5%.

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- c. Across Children's Services and SEN Transport a combination of a growing population and increasing complexity of need is expected to drive annual increases in excess of 5% per annum at a combined cost of £3,334k.
8. The projected £9,313k growth required for Corporate Items is primarily linked to the uplift in capital financing costs associated with £152,558k borrowing set out in the Council's 2017/18 to 2022/23 Capital Programme. The annual revenue cost of this borrowing would total £8,133k at current interest rates, with a £10,000k movement in the capital programme resulting in a £540k change in revenue financing costs. Alongside capital financing costs and smaller technical items, £855k growth will be required in 2022/23 should the Council no longer be able to capitalise expenditure on the BID Team and other transformation resource.
9. The ending of £8,961k of time limited funding available to support the 2018/19 budget contributes to this overall savings requirement, consisting £5,400k forecast additional income from the 100% Business Rates Pilot Pool, £2,611k Collection Fund surpluses arising from a review of bad debt provisions and £950k of General Balances.
10. Finally, the headline level of funding is expected to remain broadly steady over the four years from 2019/20, assuming no material movement in levels of grant support or fundamental changes to the Business Rates Retention system. On current projections, annual growth of around 1.2% in the Council Tax Base is expected to raise an additional £5,342k income, with a further £1,231k expected from commercial growth in borough to deliver £6,573k through new development. Combined with £4,525k inflationary uplifts in Business Rates and £10,446k grant reductions linked to the austerity programme, this would result in a net gain of £652k in funding by 2022/23.
11. There remains a level of uncertainty within the funding position as a result of the on-going Fair Funding Review, which will see a redistribution of resources between local authorities, and the long awaited expansion of the 50% Business Rates Retention system to 75% and ultimately 100%. It is likely that on balance these measures will benefit rather than adversely affect Hillingdon given the borough's strong population growth and substantial Business Rates base. Although as any favourable movement could be phased in over a number of years from 2020/21, and would likely not exceed £5,000k, this cannot be relied upon as a single solution to the financial challenge facing the Council.
12. The forthcoming Green Paper on Adult Social Care may provide a more tangible contribution towards managing this emerging budget gap, hopefully providing a national approach to funding the twin pressures of growing demand for care and increasing costs of providing care. These twin pressures account for £12,565k of the overall £54,987k budget gap, with potential for a dedicated funding stream providing a mechanism to finance this cost.

Corporate Overview - Other Funds

13. The Housing Revenue Account (HRA) is subject to a statutory ringfence, with £55,932k of rental income from the Council's social housing provision being reinvested in maintenance, improvement and expansion of housing stock. The approved capital programme includes funding to acquire 545 new dwellings over the period to 2022/23, providing a mechanism to replace an expected 439 sales of properties to sitting tenants through the Right to Buy. The

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financial standing of the HRA remains sound, with the 30 Year Business Plan demonstrating sustainability of the current operation over the longer-term.

14. The Schools Budget is subject to statutory ring-fence, requiring that annual funding allocations from the Department for Education through the Dedicated Schools Grant (DSG) are fully deployed in support of education services. For 2018/19, individual schools were protected by a Minimum Funding Guarantee limiting any losses in per pupil funding to -1.5%. As part of the move to the National Funding formula Central Government provided additional funding that would ensure school budgets increased by at least 0.5%. For Hillingdon, the actual increase was 2.2%.
15. The DSG has competing demands across the four funding blocks (Early Years, Schools, High Needs and Central School Services), with particular pressures in High Needs, where any increase in funding has not been sufficient to meet the cost of growth relating to both pupil numbers and complexity. The implementation of the ring fenced arrangement between the relevant funding blocks has resulted in a shortfall of funding in the High Needs block with a balanced budget only achieved due to agreement with Schools Forum to transfer 0.5% of Schools Block funding to fund the increasing cost of High Needs. The 2018/19 budget approved by Schools Forum did not provide additional resources to offset the cumulative deficit accruing on the Schools Budget, which at totalled £4.1m at 31 March 2018.
16. It is expected that the implementation of the 'hard' National Funding Formula will have a significant impact on the ability of the Schools Forum to set a balanced budget in future years as the expectation is that funds will no longer be allowed to be transferred between the funding blocks. In order to address this, the process of developing a three year budget to try to understand what pressures the DSG will be under along with a major review of all expenditure covered by the DSG is being undertaken. However, it should be noted that these options will be limited, as the total of the Central Services Funding Block is £2.8 million, which in itself is less than the cumulative DSG deficit.

Strategy to deal with the Budget Gap

17. The Council is well placed to respond to the on-going financial challenge, with a solid track record of delivering balanced budgets and retaining £40,321k unallocated General Balances at 31 March 2018. Over the four year period since 2015/16, the Council has successfully implemented (or in the case of 2018/19 are expected to be delivered in full) a £47,024k savings programme, responding to the combined challenges of reducing funding and growing demand for services while minimising the impact on services to Residents.
18. A thematic overview of the savings programmes for 2015/16 to 2018/19 is presented below, with the following themes continuing to form the basis of development of savings proposals for 2019/20 and future years:
 - a. Service Transformation represents the single largest category of savings, with items presented in this category primarily linked to implementation of the BID Programme;

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- b. Savings proposals from Zero Based Reviews represent budgets which have been identified as being surplus to requirements through the line-by-line review of outturn and similar exercises being undertaken by Finance;
- c. Effective Procurement savings capture the benefits secured from efficiency savings from contracted services and reviews of delivery models in a number of areas;
- d. Preventing Demand - initiatives such as the Supported Living Programme where investment in early intervention and other support can avoid more costly intervention at a later date;
- e. Income Generation & Commercialisation proposals primarily relate to amendments to Fees and Charges; and,
- f. Changes of Responsibility & Funding Streams relates to mechanisms such as the New Homes Bonus, Troubled Families Grant and the synergies / efficiencies arising from transfers of functions to and from Local Government such as Education and Public Health.

Table 2: 2015/16 to 2018/19 Savings Programme

	2015/16 £'000	2016/17 £'000	2017/18 £'000	2018/19 £'000	Total £'000
Service Transformation	(1,269)	(3,864)	(7,222)	(3,936)	(16,291)
Zero Based Reviews	(1,863)	(3,705)	(4,691)	(2,536)	(12,795)
Effective Procurement	(2,002)	(1,388)	(2,171)	(1,385)	(6,946)
Preventing Demand	(2,231)	(1,171)	(407)	(2,695)	(6,504)
Commercialisation & Maximising Income	(493)	(854)	(1,017)	(103)	(2,467)
Change of Responsibility & Funding Streams	(742)	(1,279)	0	0	(2,021)
Savings Programme	(8,600)	(12,261)	(15,508)	(10,655)	(47,024)

MTFF Process Update and Timetable

19. The timetable for the budget process has been refreshed and the first MTFF sessions with Groups took place during early July to review the detailed budget proposals developed by each group. Progress on the development and delivery of these proposals will be monitored monthly by the Corporate Management Team, HIP Steering Group and the Leader of the Council throughout the remainder of the year.

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Table 3: MTFF Timetable

2019/20 Budget Setting and Medium Term Financial Forecast	
March 2018 to February 2019	Monthly Updates to the Corporate Management Team and HIP Steering Group
May 2018	Initial Report to Leader on Scoping a Financial Strategy
	Zero Based Review of 2018/19 Budgets
July 2018	Summer Challenge Sessions
	Summer Budget Report to Members
	Budget Scoping Reports to July POCs
October 2018	Autumn Challenge Sessions
November 2018	Autumn Budget Report to Members
December 2018	Provisional Local Government Finance Settlement
	Consultation Budget Report to Cabinet
January 2018	Public Budget Consultation
	2019/20 Budget Proposals to January POCs
February 2018	Final Local Government Finance Settlement
	Final Budget to Cabinet and Council

Next Steps

20. The Medium Term Financial Forecast setting out the draft revenue budget and capital programme will be considered by Cabinet on 13 December 2018 and issued for consultation during the remainder of December 2018 and January 2019. This will include detailed consideration by each of the Policy Overview Committees of the proposals relating to their respective services.
21. Key issues within the remit of Social Care, Housing & Public Health Policy Overview will continue to be tracked through the Council's budget monitoring process, with monthly reports to Cabinet detailing the latest position and outlook for 2018/19.

Implications on related Council policies

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How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

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Financial Implications

None at this stage.

Legal Implications

None at this stage.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

The Council's Budget: General Fund Revenue Budget and Capital Programme 2018/19 – reports to Cabinet 15 February 2018 and Council 22 February 2018.

The Council's Budget: 2018/19 Revenue and Capital Month 2 Budget Monitoring – report to Cabinet 26 July 2018

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Tackling Child Sexual Exploitation in Hillingdon

Committee name	Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee
Officers reporting	Janice Altenor, Head of Safeguarding and Quality Assurance Heidi Henderson, Principal Social Worker
Papers with report	Not applicable
Ward	All

HEADLINES

Hillingdon launched Child Sexual Exploitation strategy in October 2015 with the aim fulfil multi-agency statutory duties as set out in Working Together to Safeguard Children.

The report provides an overview of the activity linked to children who are at risk of, or experiencing Child Sexual Exploitation in Hillingdon. It further aims to provide an overview of the multi-agency response in ensuring community safety for the residents of Hillingdon through the effective intervention and disruption of grooming gangs and other perpetrators of Child Sexual Exploitation.

Lacey's Story (not her real name):

Lacey is an eighteen year old, lesbian young woman. She came to Hillingdon Children's Social Care's notice when she was 15. Lacey was going missing, she was using drugs and she was dependent on vodka. She did not go to school and her relationship with her parents and her sister was beyond repair. She had violent outbursts. She seriously self-harmed and suffered an eating disorder. To get alcohol, Lacey got involved in criminal activity, youth violence and sex with adult men, these behaviours confirmed her negative self-view and spiralled further harmful behaviours. Lacey's life was in danger.

Lacey initially struggled to accept the help she got from her social worker, however, in just two years, Lacey has turned her life around. She is now a full-time apprentice and completing her GCSEs at the same time. She has stopped using drugs and only drinks occasionally when she is out with friends. She has embraced her sexuality and learned to love herself. She is taking driving lessons and saving for a car. Lacey says: "Part of what helped me turn my life around was a change in my brain and in my thinking and the other part was the support and help from the Young People's Team. My social worker was amazing. She was the only person who got me. She listened (even if I was swearing and shouting!), she understood me and she knew my history and my journey. She never judged me. She never got angry. She just accepted me for who I am. The little things made a big difference, like taking me to my mental health appointments, going to the hospital, texting, phoning, turning up and arranging activities (I would have liked more of those!). When she was not around, the duty workers and team managers, even the Head of Service will meet with me and listen to me.

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I did sometimes think the team was a bunch of pushy parents and I was not always ready or willing to listen to advice, but they never gave up, even when I had massive temper tantrums! They helped me to love myself, because they loved me and cared for me, no matter what I did. They accepted my sexuality and always respected me and treated me fairly".

Lacey's case was considered at the Multi Agency Sexual Exploitation panel (MASE) on 2 occasions. The panel shared information about the high level of risk that Lacey was at to ensure that any agencies that she came into contact with would alert others and take protective action. The Hillingdon missing policy was frequently adhered to and the police disrupted and assessed alleged sexual activity with older men. Lacey is now safe. She says: "The young people's service saved my life"

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Committee:

1. Recognise the ongoing commitment of Children Social Care and its partners to effectively intervene into the lives of those children who are sexually exploited.
2. Continue to invest in Hillingdon's children to successfully prevent and intervene in Child Sexual Exploitation and other contextual risk factors (gangs and youth violence, county lines, human trafficking, modern slavery, etcetera).

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

Background

In September 2013, LBH Children Social Care and the Police launched Operation Baker to investigate allegations of the organised Sexual Exploitation of a number of children in the Borough, some of whom were looked after by the London Borough of Hillingdon. A serious case review found inefficiencies in the recognition of and response to child sexual exploitation.

In October 2015, the Hillingdon Child Sexual Exploitation Strategy and Action Plan was launched as an early response to lessons learnt during Operation Baker. The strategy aims to prevent Child Sexual Exploitation, support children at risk of or experiencing Child Sexual Exploitation and disrupt alleged offenders and those who support their activities.

Initiatives to prevent, intervene and disrupt Child Sexual Exploitation in Hillingdon

Hillingdon strengthened the Child Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment and Missing protocols to ensure that those children, vulnerable to exploitation are identified early. Since the launch of the Sexual Exploitation, Prevention and Intervention strategy in 2015, social workers have completed 354 Child Sexual Exploitation Risk Assessment and 145 children have been managed through the Multi Agency Sexual Exploitation Panel (MASE) in light of heightened risk factors. Not all victims choose to disclose the names of perpetrators and therefore, the police information indicates that 46 Hillingdon crime reports were filed in relation to Child Sexual Exploitation, which

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is higher than the average for the Metropolitan Police of 41. The police data includes all forms of sexual abuse and exploitation (including familial abuse).

The identification of and intervention to prevent further abuse when a child is sexually exploited is now embedded in social work practice. It is no longer an area of specialism. Social workers and multi-agency partners receive MOPAC funded training from the LSCB. Social workers access specialist training through the West London Alliance Teaching Partnership, which evidences their continued professional development and professional capability framework.

The successful intervention in safeguarding children from sexual exploitation is further attributed to the co-location of specialist Child Sexual Exploitation Police Officers in MASH, to identify grooming and postcode gangs early through strategy meetings and escalation to MASE. A further success factor in early identification of group grooming and exploitation activity is through AXIS. This service is co-located in the Youth Offending Service. They work with young people who may not be receiving statutory services but have been identified as being on the periphery of risk by their own behaviour or through association. AXIS provide intervention and support in collaboration with other services in order to reduce risk and prevent escalation. Key to their role is the intelligence mapping of youth activity across the borough. Health Partners assess and refer children attending Accident and Emergency, Minor Injury units and Early pregnancy units. The children are considered at weekly multi-disciplinary meetings to ensure the right response to each child.

Successful multi-agency intervention, has contributed to disruption activity. Between April 2017 and June 2018, the Hillingdon police have issued 12 Child Abduction Warning notices on suspected perpetrators of contextual risk factors to children. The police have further issued 67 Civil Orders (including Sexual Harm Prevention Orders) and issued 112 CSE disruption activity forms (again, these relate to all contextual risk factors). 2 Charges have been made and 19 cases are awaiting an outcome. The Metropolitan Police data specific to Hillingdon does not include an ethnic, gender or age breakdown of alleged perpetrators. The Vulnerable Young People Risk Management Group is a multi-agency forum to ensure that information about victims and suspects informs improved analysis of the threat of Child Sexual Exploitation and other contextual risk factors in Hillingdon.

The newly formed Police West Area BCU consists of three Boroughs, Hillingdon, Ealing and Hounslow. CSE officers work across all three. This is already proving valuable in information sharing across locations frequented by young people. The continuation of proactive interventions, as seen in Operation Makesafe will continue across Hillingdon with locations to be targeted, already identified.

The Community Safety Unit are carrying out community engagement events across the borough. A recent one focused on the night time economy in Hillingdon. This resulted in the identification of a young woman at risk of CSE who was supported in returning home safely. There has been a positive response from police in increased patrols to an area that was identified as being frequented by young people for sexual activity and drugs.

“Staff take effective action to reduce risks to children who are considered highly vulnerable and at risk of child exploitation. Intervention to protect children at risk of sexual exploitation and children missing from home, school or care is diligently pursued. Social workers and other professionals across the children's workforce understand the complexity of risks to children and this is given significant consideration and analysis in multi-agency strategy meetings and risk assessments. Child sexual exploitation risk assessments are routinely completed to inform children's safety plans, and these assessments and plans are regularly updated as circumstances change. Co-working with the youth offending service for young people at risk of and subject to criminal exploitation is particularly effective, and due consideration is given to them as potential victims of abuse.” (Ofsted, May 2018, par 9 page 4).

“Social workers recognise and respond well to children vulnerable to exploitation. This includes identifying interdependencies of risks from sexual exploitation, missing from care, radicalisation and criminal exploitation. Social workers and partners attend strategy meetings that result in effective plans that help to reduce risks and protect children.” (Ofsted, May 2018, par 20, page 6).

Implications on related Council policies

In June 2018, Hillingdon launched the Vulnerable Young People's Risk Management Group. This multi-agency group uses the principles of the MASE panel but looks at sexual exploitation and associated risk factors for young people such as missing, county lines, serious youth violence and radicalisation. Ofsted recognise Hillingdon's vision in responding to increasing contextual risk factors in Hillingdon. The good work undertaken by social workers and multi-agency partners will continue but expand to include other vulnerable children and respond to local and national needs.

The Multi Agency Risk Management group met in June and July. They continue to track the progress of Operation Tolleson and support available to victims. The group is professionally curious about concerns with regard to serious youth violence and knife crime in Hillingdon and is working alongside neighbouring Local Authorities to keep children safe in Hillingdon.

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How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

1. Lacey and other children like Lacey are feeling safer in Hillingdon. They feel valued and cared for and the residents' investment in her is growing dividends, she is contributing to Hillingdon.
2. Residents of Hillingdon will be satisfied that the funding invested in partnership working to keep children in Hillingdon safe is changing children's lives.
3. Residents will be satisfied with the vigilance of partners in disruption activities for perpetrators and businesses who allow the exploitation and abuse of children.

Financial Implications

The Vulnerable Young People's Risk Management Panel fulfils a statutory duty and the cost is included in existing budgets.

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Legal Implications

Hillingdon will fulfil its statutory duty to Children at risk of or experiencing Child Sexual Exploitation under the Vulnerable Young People's Risk Management Strategy.

BACKGROUND PAPERS

List of documents referred to:

- Hillingdon Child Sexual Exploitation Strategy
- Operation Baker Report
- Pan London Safeguarding Procedures
- Working Together to Safeguard Children 2018
- Vulnerable Young People's Risk Management Strategy
- Ofsted Report, May 2018

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SOCIAL CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - FORWARD PLAN

Committee name	Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee
Officer reporting	Anisha Teji, Chief Executive's Office
Papers with report	Appendix A – Forward Plan
Ward	All

HEADLINES

The Committee is required by its Terms of Reference to consider the Forward Plan and comment as appropriate to the decision-maker on key decisions which relate to services within its remit (before they are taken by the Cabinet or by the Cabinet Member).

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee notes and comments on items going to Cabinet.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

The latest published Forward Plan is attached.

Implications on related Council policies

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How this report benefits Hillingdon residents

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Financial Implications

None at this stage.

Legal Implications

None at this stage.

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None at this stage.

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Ref	Upcoming Decisions	Further details	Ward(s)	Final decision by Full Council	Cabinet Member(s) Responsible	Officer Contact for further information	Consultation on the decision	NEW ITEM	Public / Private Decision & reasons
SI = Standard Item each month Council Departments: RS = Residents Services SC = Social Care CEO = Chief Executive's Office FD= Finance									
Cabinet - 26 July 2018									
	Mental Health Section 75 Agreement	UNSCHEDULED ITEM SUBJECT TO LEADER'S AGREEMENT			Cllr Philip Corthorne	Gary Collier			
Cabinet - 27 September 2018									
260	Mental Health Section 75 Agreement	To seek Cabinet approval to enter into a five-year agreement with the Central and North West London NHS Foundation Trust (CNWL) under section 75 of the National Health Act, 2006. This is intended to support more integrated working arrangements between Council and NHS staff that will improve outcomes for Hillingdon residents living with mental health conditions.	All		Cllr Philip Corthorne	SC - Gary Collier		NEW	Public
261	Section 17 accommodation rent charges	To seek Cabinet agreement to set rent charges for Section 17 clients at the Local Housing Allowance Rate. Section 17 of the Children's Act requires the Council to provide support to families that have been made homeless to protect the interest of children and prevent them from coming into care.	N/A		Cllr David Simmonds CBE / Cllr Jonathon Bianco	FD - Peter Malewicz / Luisa Hansen		NEW	Public
263	Land adjacent to South Ruislip Library (Plot B)	Cabinet will consider the sale of this site to the newly created housing company, Hillingdon First Limited, to deliver housing within the Borough.	South Ruislip		Cllr Jonathan Bianco	RS - Julie Markwell		NEW	Private (3)
Cabinet Member Decisions expected - September 2018									
260	Schedule of penalty charges in relation to landlords who fail to meet required housing standards	Cabinet on 21 June 2018 agreed to delegate authority to consult on a draft schedule of penalty charges in relation to private and public sector landlords managing housing in Hillingdon that do not meet the requisite standards and legal requirements. This will allow the Council to expedite the implementation of such charges ahead of 1st October 2018 when significant changes come into force regarding licensing of Houses in Multiple Occupation. The Leader of the Council will review the outcome of the consultation and may agree a penalty charge schedule. Subject to timings, this matter may alternatively be considered by the Cabinet.	All		Cllr Ray Puddifoot MBE	RS - Daniel Kennedy	Statutory and landlord consultation	NEW	Public
Cabinet - 25 October 2018									
265	Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board Annual Report	The Annual Report of the Safeguarding Adult Partnership Board will be presented to Cabinet. The report details the partnership's activity and performance in safeguarding adults at risk and its priorities for the year. The report is set in the context of national guidance and policy.	All		Cllr Philip Corthorne	SC - Steve Ashley (Independent Chairman) / Tony Zaman	Social Care, Housing & Public Health Policy Overview Committee	NEW	Public
266	Local Safeguarding Children Board: Annual Report	Cabinet will receive the Annual Report of the Local Safeguarding Children Board (LSCB). It provides Elected Members with a view on effectiveness of children's safeguarding in Hillingdon and identifies priorities for future action and attention.	All		Cllr David Simmonds CBE	SC - Steve Ashley (Independent Chairman) / Tony Zaman	Social Care, Housing & Public Health Policy Overview Committee	NEW	Public
Cabinet - 15 November 2018									
267	Older People's Plan update	Cabinet will receive it's twice yearly update on progress on the Older People's Plan (May and November annually).	All		Cllr Ray Puddifoot MBE / Cllr Philip Corthorne	RS - Kevin Byrne	Older People, Leader's Initiative	NEW	Public

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SOCIAL CARE, HOUSING AND PUBLIC HEALTH POLICY OVERVIEW COMMITTEE - WORK PROGRAMME

Committee name	Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee
Officer reporting	Anisha Teji, Chief Executive's Office
Papers with report	Appendix A – Work Programme
Ward	All

HEADLINES

To enable the Committee to track the progress of its work in 2018/2019 and forward plan its work for the current municipal year.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Social Care, Housing and Public Health Policy Overview Committee considers the report and agrees any amendments.

SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- The Committee's meetings tend to start at 7pm and the witnesses attending each of the meetings are generally representatives from external organisations, some of whom travel from outside of the Borough. The meeting dates for this municipal year are as follows:

Meetings	Room
13 June 2018, 7pm	CR 5
30 July 2018, 7pm	CR 4
17 September 2018, 7pm	CR 4
17 October 2018, 7pm	CR 4
28 November 2018, 7pm	CR 4
16 January 2019, 7pm	CR 4
7 February 2019, 7pm	CR 4
18 March 2019, 7pm	CR 4
11 April 2018, 7pm	CR 4
June 19 meeting, 7pm	TBC
July 19 meeting, 7pm	TBC
September 19 meeting, 7pm	TBC
October 19 meeting, 7pm	TBC
November 19 meeting, 7pm	TBC
December 19 meeting, 7pm	TBC

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Financial Implications

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Legal Implications

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Multi year work programme

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Meeting Month	June	July	September	October	November	January	February	March	April	June	July	September	October
Date	13	30	17	17	28	16	7	18	11	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

Universal Credit and other welfare benefit changes

Topic selection / scoping stage	Agree topic	Scoping report											
Witness / evidence / consultation stage			Witness Session 1	Witness Session 2	Witness Session 3								
Findings, conclusions and recommendations						Witness Session 4							
Final review report agreement							Draft Report						
Target Cabinet reporting								CABINET					
Post review monitoring													Example only

Title of Review B

Topic selection / scoping stage													
Witness / evidence / consultation stage													
Findings, conclusions and recommendations													
Final review report agreement													
Target Cabinet reporting													
Post review monitoring													

Regular business items

Mid year Budget Update		X											
Annual complaints & service update report			X								X		
Looked After Children Performance Data		X											
Quality and Capacity of the Community Mental Health Services in Hillingdon			X						X				
Annual LCSB (Children's Safeguarding Board report)				X							X		
Annual SAPB (Adults Safeguarding Board report)				X							X		
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAHMS) update				X									X
Cabinet's budget proposals for next financial year						X							
Cabinet Forward Plan monitoring	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Work Programme	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X

One-off business items

Introductory report on overview and scrutiny	X												
Presentation on the Council's corporate parenting role	X												
Information report on current housing policy	X												
Child Sexual Exploitation - update report		X											
Past Review monitoring - Early Intervention Service								X					
Past Review monitoring - Hospital Discharges						X		X					
Past Review monitoring - Stroke Prevention								X					
Loneliness and Social Isolation in Older People										X			
Housing assessments							X						
Better Care Fund Plan						X							
Update on Telecare Line				X									
A presentation from the Children in Care Council							X						

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Report deadline	4 June 2018	19 July 2018	6 September 2018	8 October 2018	19 November 2018	7 January 2019	29 January 2019	7 March 2019	2 April 2019	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC
Agenda published	5 June 2018	20 July 2018	7 September 2018	9 October 2018	20 November 2018	8 January 2019	30 January 2019	8 March 2019	3 April 2019	TBC	TBC	TBC	TBC

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