EXTERNAL SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - WORK PROGRAMME 2017/2018

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Appendix A: Work Programme 2017/2018

REASON FOR ITEM

To enable the Committee to track the progress of its work in 2017/2018 and forward plan its work for the current municipal year.

OPTIONS OPEN TO THE COMMITTEE

Members may add, delete or amend future items included on the Work Programme. The Committee may also make suggestions about future issues for consideration at its meetings.

INFORMATION

1. The Committee's meetings tend to start at either 5pm or 6pm 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
Wednesday 14 June 2017, 6pm	CR6
Tuesday 11 July 2017, 6pm	CR6
Wednesday 6 September 2017, 6pm	CR5
Thursday 14 September 2017, 6pm	CR6
Wednesday 11 October 2017, 6pm	CR6
Tuesday 14 November 2017, 6pm	CR5
Thursday 11 January 2018, 6pm	CR6
Tuesday 13 February 2018, 6pm	CR6
Wednesday 14 March 2018, 6pm	CR6

- 2. It has previously been agreed by Members that consideration will be given to revising the start time of each meeting on an ad hoc basis should the need arise. Further details of the issues to be discussed at each meeting can be found at Appendix A.
- 3. At its meeting on 11 July 2017, the Committee agreed to hold an additional meeting with witnesses from NHS England to enable Members to question them about the proposals regarding the provision of children's congenital heart disease (CHD) services. The meeting was subsequently scheduled for 6 September 2017.

Scrutiny Reviews

4. Members have been asked to suggest possible future review topics for consideration by the External Services Scrutiny Committee during this municipal year. It was proposed that the Committee identify one/two topics it would like to scrutinise as single meeting reviews during 2017/2018:

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a) At the meeting on 11 July 2017, it was agreed that a single meeting review be undertaken on 11 January 2018 to look at the provision of GP services in Heathrow Villages.

Community Sentencing Working Group

5. The Community Sentencing Working Group has experienced some difficulties with regard to securing witnesses to attend its meetings, most notably from the London Community Rehabilitation Company (CRC). As the CRC is a crucial witness, action has been taken by officers and the review has been put on hold for the time being. It is anticipated that a report will be forthcoming from the Working Group before the end of the municipal year.

GP Pressures Working Group

6. As there have been some significant changes since the last GP Pressures Working Group meeting, additional meetings are being arranged to glean further information which can then be used to update and refresh the draft final report prior to consideration by Cabinet.

BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None.

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