# FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

<u>REPORT TO:</u> <u>DATE:</u>	CORPORATE RESOURCES OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
	THURSDAY, 11 OCTOBER 2012
REPORT BY:	MEMBER ENGAGEMENT MANAGER
<u>SUBJECT:</u>	FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

### 1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

To advise on the Forward Work Programme for the Corporate Resources Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

#### 2.00 BACKGROUND

- 2.01 Members will be aware that items can feed into a committee's Forward Work Programme from a number of sources. Individual Members can suggest topics for review by Overview & Scrutiny committees; members of the public can suggest topics; items can be referred by the Cabinet for consultation purposes; items can be referred by the County Council, or Directors can request that a committee gives a view on a particular topic.
- **2.02** In identifying topics for future consideration, it is useful to apply a 'test of significance'. This can be achieved by asking a range of questions, some of which could come from the following list, which is not intended to be exhaustive:
  - 1. Will the review contribute to the Council's priorities and/or objectives?
  - 2. Are there issues of weak or poor performance?
  - 3. How, where and why were the issues identified?
  - 4. Is there any evidence that local communities think the issues are important and is there any evidence of public dissatisfaction with a particular service?
  - 5. Has there been new Government guidance or legislation?
  - 6. Have inspections been carried out by an Overview & Scrutiny committee or by one of the Council's regulators?
  - 7. Is this area already the subject of an ongoing review of any form?

#### 3.00 CONSIDERATIONS

3.01 Overview & Scrutiny presents a unique opportunity for Members to determine the Forward Work Programme of the committees of which they are members.

- 3.02 A copy of the provisional programme is attached at Appendix 1 for Members' consideration.
- **4.00** <u>**RECOMMENDATIONS**</u> That the committee considers the attached Forward Work Programme (see Appendix 1).
- 5.00 <u>FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS</u> None arising directly from this report.
- 6.00 <u>ANTI POVERTY IMPACT</u> None arising directly from this report.
- 7.00 <u>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT</u> None arising directly from this report.
- 8.00 <u>EQUALITIES IMPACT</u> None arising directly from this report.
- 9.00 <u>PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS</u> None arising directly from this report.
- **10.00** <u>CONSULTATION REQUIRED</u> Not applicable.
- **11.00** <u>CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN</u> Publication of this report constitutes consultation.

## **12.00** <u>APPENDICES</u> Current Forward Work Programme (Appendix 1)

## LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

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