FLINTSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: COMMUNITY PROFILE & PARTNERSHIPS OVERVIEW &

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

DATE: MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER 2014

REPORT BY: OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY FACILITATOR

SUBJECT: FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

1.00 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.01 To consider the Forward Work Programme of the Community Profile & Partnerships Overview & Scrutiny Committee.

2.00 BACKGROUND

- 2.01 Items feed into a Committee's Forward Work Programme from a number of sources. 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, or by County Council, or Chief Officers. Other possible items are identified from the Cabinet Work Programme and the Strategic Assessment of Risks & Challenges.
- **2.02** In identifying topics for future consideration, it is useful or a 'test of significance' to be applied. This can be achieved by asking a range of questions as follows:
 - 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. Do local communities think the issues are important and is there any evidence of this? Is there evidence of public dissatisfaction?
 - 5. Is there new Government guidance or legislation?
 - 6. Have inspections been carried out?
 - 7. Is this area already the subject of an ongoing review?

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. By reviewing and prioritising the forward work programme Members are able to ensure it is member-led and includes the right issues. A copy of the Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1 for Members' consideration which has been updated following the last meeting.
- 3.02 The Forward work programme of the committee, together with the terms of reference have been forwarded to the Chief Officer Team to ask whether there are issues which they feel should be considered by the committee.

4.00 **RECOMMENDATIONS**

4.01 That the Committee considers the draft Forward Work Programme attached as Appendix 1 and approve/amend as necessary.

5.00 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.01 None as a result of this report.

6.00 ANTI POVERTY IMPACT

6.01 None as a result of this report.

7.00 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

7.01 None as a result of this report.

8.00 **EQUALITIES IMPACT**

8.01 None as a result of this report.

9.00 PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.01 None as a result of this report.

10.00 CONSULTATION REQUIRED

10.01 N/A

11.00 CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN

11.01 Publication of this report constitutes consultation.

12.00 APPENDICES

Appendix 1 – Forward Work Programme

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT) 1985 BACKGROUND DOCUMENTS

None.

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