

## Scrutiny Task and Finish - Progress Updates and Next Steps (January 2018)

	Group Title	Progress update and next steps
1	<b>Parks</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Romayne de Fonseca</i>	<p>The Group met on 11<sup>th</sup> December and focussed on the revised financial situation since the removal of the requirement to become cost-neutral by 2020, also an update on the ongoing public consultation. Discussion also centred around the merits of alternative models of service delivery. Representatives from the Parks Forum attended the meeting and partook in the discussion. The next meeting has been arranged for 6<sup>th</sup> February.</p>
2	<b>Council Commissioning &amp; Contracts</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Louise deCordova</i>	<p>The group met on 13/12/17 to review the council's Social Value Policy, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• consideration of the data collected to date</li> <li>• examples of the social value policy toolkit applied in the procurement and commissioning process</li> <li>• stakeholder feedback of the policy in procurement process from the voluntary sector, small business and union representation.</li> <li>• discussed the concept of using public services to build better local economies.</li> </ul> <p>Members agreed a joint session with Adults and Children's Social Services Task and Finish Groups to consider how elected members can have earlier engagement in the procurement and commissioning process.</p> <p>Future meeting dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7/2/18 (joint session)</li> </ul>
3a	<b>Demand on Social Services (Adults)</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Louise deCordova</i>	<p>The group met on 11/12/17 with Cllr Holland, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care and senior officers to consider and comment on the developing Better Lives programme communications and public engagement strategy.</p> <p>Future meetings will discuss Delayed Transfers of Care, consider social prescribing and explore the potential for use of assistive technology to transform services and save resources.</p> <p>Members agreed a joint session with Children's Social Services and the Contracts and Commissioning Task and Finish Groups to consider how elected members can have earlier engagement in the procurement and commissioning process.</p> <p>Future meeting dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22/01/18</li> <li>• 7/2/18 (joint session)</li> <li>• 19/02/18</li> <li>• 19/03/18</li> </ul>
3b	<b>Demand on Social Services (Children)</b>	<p>The group met on 6/12/17 with Cllr Godwin, Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and Jacqui Jensen, Service Director Children and Families Services to consider the Children and Families Partnership strategy.</p>

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	<p><i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Louise deCordova</i></p>	<p>Future meetings will seek to carry out stakeholder activity with young people to understand how to prevent children and young people going into care; and develop subject knowledge/expertise.</p> <p>Members agreed a joint session with the Adult Social Services and the Contracts and Commissioning Task and Finish Groups to consider how elected members can have earlier engagement in the procurement and commissioning process.</p> <p>Future meeting dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24/1/18</li> <li>• 7/2/18 (joint session)</li> </ul>
4	<p><b>Council Assets</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Jo Holmes</i></p>	<p>The Group are due to meet again on the 26/01/18 where it's likely that the Interim Head of Asset Management will provide an overview presentation on the Councils property asset base. Officers are keen to ensure that all members of the group are at a consistent level of understanding and that there is a consensus of opinion on the direction and focus moving forward.</p>
5	<p><b>Cribbs Patchway New Neighbourhood</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor: Jo Holmes</i></p>	<p>The group met with the Head of Strategic City Transport on 29 /11/2017 so that he could take the group through future traffic management and potential and changes to the A4108 road layout. The groups views and concerns were recorded and have been sent to officers for their consideration. This will be revisited again once the traffic modelling information is complete.</p> <p>The group plan to meet again with Transport officers on the 11<sup>th</sup> January to consider the outcome of the work where Network Rail have been looking at potential location options for Henbury Railway Station as part of the project.</p>
6	<p><b>Air Quality &amp; Pollution</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor: Jo Holmes</i></p>	<p>The group met with officers on the 5th December and were provided with an update of where things currently stand. The anticipated guidance from DEFRA had arrived the previous week; officers had reshaped the feasibility plan proposals and have resubmitted them to DEFRA. Preparations were being made for the Cabinet Report and decision in February 2018; this will be to potentially sign-off the 'Strategic Outline Case'.</p> <p>The next T&amp;F Group meeting will held on the 8<sup>th</sup> January; this session will be to look at the content of the February Cabinet Report (includes potential options for the development of a 'Clean Air Plan') before it's published so the group member's views can be taken into account.</p>
7	<p><b>Children's Centres</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Romayne de Fonseka</i></p>	<p>This group has not met. Activity to commence in New Year subject to confirmation of new chairing arrangements and also subject to capacity.</p>
8	<p><b>Libraries</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i></p>	<p>The Conclusions of the T&amp;F Group went to Cabinet on 4<sup>th</sup> December and a formal response was provided by the Mayor. This concludes Phase 1 of the Group's work, which now moves on to Phase 2. A further meeting is currently being arranged for</p>

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	<i>Romayne de Fonseca</i>	early Feb/end Jan for the terms and scope of the feasibility study to be explained.
<b>9</b>	<b>Fire Safety in Council-owned High Rise Buildings</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Romayne de Fonseca</i>	Proposed that this would take place after the government recommendations have been issued. The timescale for this is unclear at the present time.
<b>10</b>	<b>Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) / Budget</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Louise deCordova</i>	<p>Members held a meeting on the 13/12/17 to consider the implications from the Government Budget and take an in depth look at the Children's social care transformation programme.</p> <p>Public meetings are planned with OSMB in January 2018 to review the corporate strategy and budget consultation documents and proposals.</p> <p>Future meetings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5/1/18</li> </ul>
<b>11</b>	<b>Youth Council</b> <i>Scrutiny Advisor:</i> <i>Jo Holmes</i>	<p>There are no further up-dates since the previous one which is that Bristol City Youth Council (BCYC) have said that they would welcome some support towards their priority of 'Education for Life - Current PSHE curriculum'. The detail of what this is and how it will happen is yet to be agreed between the BCYC and other relevant PSHE officers. Once this has been determined it will be discussed with OSMB members and other members who have expressed an interest in being involved in this work.</p> <p>A meeting to move this forward was planned for the 8<sup>th</sup> January but this has now been postponed until the 5<sup>th</sup> February 2018.</p>