

## CABINET - 12 DECEMBER 2013

### PROGRESS ON SCRUTINY PROJECTS

Review	Methodology	Type of report	Expected date for report to Cabinet	Comments
Standing Review of the Budget	Standing Review	Regular update reports to O&S and interim, specific topic and final reports to O&S and Cabinet	A report from the review's consideration of the use of capital has been drafted.	Evidence gathered during the lifetime of the project will be used to inform the Question and Answer session on the budget in January 2014.  It is unlikely that further projects will be undertaken before the next election, however a final report will be prepared for the Overview and Scrutiny committee in February 2014
Customer Care	Light touch review	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet	January 2014	The report will be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny committee on 17 <sup>th</sup> December.
Accessible Transport	Light touch review	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet with reference to Transport for London	Received in October 2013 Response from officers November 2013	This project is complete
NHS Health Checks – supported by Centre for Public Scrutiny (CfPS)	Joint light touch review with Barnet	Final Report to O&S/Health and Social Care sub committee and Cabinet	Estimated February/March 2014	This is a joint review between Harrow and Barnet which will look at the role of the Council having effective arrangements in place for NHS Health Checks. A draft report from the project is being prepared for consideration by both groups.  Because of the timing of the Question and Answer session on the budget in January, there may be a delay in submitting the report to committee

Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee 'Shaping a Healthier Future'	Joint Committee	Update reports will be provided for O&S/Health and Social Care sub committee and Cabinet (for information)	As required	<p>At the last meeting of the joint committee in September councillors from across the seven boroughs agreed to continue meeting to consider the ongoing implementation of the Shaping a Healthier Future proposals – it is anticipated that full implementation will take up to 5 years though the downgrading of A&amp;E departments at Central Middlesex and Ealing hospitals has been announced. The implications of these changes on the capacity of Northwick Park has been identified as an area of concern by councillors, particularly if they go ahead before improvements have been made to Northwick Park A&amp;E. Councillors are investigating the timetabling of the changes.</p> <p>The next meeting of the Joint Committee took place on 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2013.</p>
Deletion of Chief Executive post	Challenge panel	Final report to O&S and the Leader of the Council	January 2014	The Scrutiny Leadership Group wishes to contribute to the Leader's consultation on the proposed deletion of the Chief Executive post. The challenge panel took place on 4 <sup>th</sup> December and a report will be prepared for the Overview and Scrutiny committee as soon as possible.
Child's Journey Through Care	Light touch review	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet	TBC	This review has been postponed but councillors have asked that it remains on the scrutiny work programme

All scrutiny projects will be completed and reported through to cabinet as early as possible in 2014.

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