

Cabinet – 28 October 2010

Progress on Scrutiny Projects

Review	Methodology	Type of report	Expected date for report to Cabinet	Comments
Pinner Village Surgery Closure	Challenge Panel	Final report to O&S and to NHS Harrow and to Cabinet for endorsement information	November	The panel took place on 22 nd July. Further evidence from a number of community meetings is still being gathered. The final report will be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny committee on 26 th October.
Closure of Harrow Magistrates Court	Challenge Panel	Final report to O&S and HM Courts' Service and to Cabinet for endorsement and information	Report sent with Council response	This project is complete
Single Equalities Scheme	Challenge Panel	Final report to O&S and to Equalities Policy Officer for inclusion in final report on the scheme to Cabinet	With the final scheme in December	The panel took place on 6 th September. The report of the challenge panel is being prepared.
IT contract	Challenge Panel	Final report to O&S and to Cabinet	September	Because of the time frame for consideration of the IT contract proposals, it was not possible to convene the challenge panel. As a result, the contract was considered at the Overview and Scrutiny committee meeting on 8 th September and a detailed minute of the committee's deliberations was referred to Cabinet.
HAVS investigations outcome	Challenge Panel	TBC	TBC	An initial scope for the project will be considered at the Overview and Scrutiny committee on 26 th October along with the investigation report. The project plan will then be developed.

Standing Review of the Budget	Standing Review	TBC	TBC	The standing review of the budget, which was established under the previous administration has been reconstituted to consider the council's financial performance. A scope for the project will be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny committee on 26 th October *
Standing Review of Better Deal for Residents Programme	Standing Review	TBC	TBC	This review will consider the longer-term implications of proposals emanating from the Better Deal for Residents programme. A scope for the project will be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny committee on 26 th October *
*A joint meeting between the project groups for these two reviews is being held on 13 th October to determine whether it would be feasible to combine the two projects or whether they stand alone.				
Housing Ambition Plan	TBC – possibly light touch review	Final report to O&S and Cabinet	TBC but probably in the New Year	This project will investigate the level of resident engagement in the Housing Ambition Plan. Details of the terms of reference of the project are still to be confirmed. It is likely to commence towards the end of the year.
Performance Management	TBC	Final report to O&S and Cabinet	TBC but probably towards the end of the year	The Overview and Scrutiny committee on 11 th October received a report on the implications of the abolition of most of the existing performance management framework and agreed to support the development of a local framework.

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