

CABINET - 19 JULY 2012
PROGRESS ON SCRUTINY PROJECTS

Review	Methodology	Type of report	Expected date for report to Cabinet	Comments
Standing Review of Better Deal for Residents Programme	Standing Review	Regular update reports to O&S and interim and final report to O&S and Cabinet	<p>The final report from this project will be dependent upon the lifecycle of the Better Deal for Residents programme. The group has agreed to submit quarterly reports to the Overview and Scrutiny committee.</p> <p>Where the review makes recommendations to change services, then these will also be referred to Cabinet.</p>	<p>The second phase of the review has started. This part of the project will consider the impact of T2 projects on local people and whether or not the programme is achieving its ambitions</p> <p>The review considered the impact/implications of the localisation of Council Tax at its last meeting. No further meetings are scheduled before the autumn.</p>
Standing Review of the Budget	Standing Review	Regular update reports to O&S and interim and final report to O&S and Cabinet	An initial report will be prepared for the spring.	<p>The work programme includes consideration of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HRA self financing • Capital and place • Major contracts • Business rate retention scheme • Fees and charges • Localism <p>Visits to Hackney, Newham and Wandsworth to support both HRA and capital and place components of the project have now taken place.</p> <p>The July meeting of the project will consider the implications of HRS self financing.</p> <p>A round table to discuss the use of capital component will take place later in the year.</p>
Engaging with Young People	Light Touch Review	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet	Scheduled for July 2012	This project has completed. It is scheduled to be considered by Cabinet in July.

Debt Recovery	Challenge Panel	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet	Dependent upon the availability of further work re the potential to centralise the debt recovery processes - TBC	A report to the review from the Director of Finance regarding the review recommendations is anticipated for June. Further work in this area is dependent on the Director's proposals.
Private Sector Housing	Light Touch Review	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet	September 2012	The final report from the review will be presented to the Overview and Scrutiny committee in July.
Customer Care	TBC	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet	TBC	The scope for the project was considered by the Overview and Scrutiny committee on 30 May. The evidence gathering phase of the review will begin in earnest during the summer.
Safeguarding Children	TBC	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet and NHS Harrow	June	The report from this review was presented to the Overview and Scrutiny committee in June. Further work in this area is likely as a result of the Ofsted inspection but this will be subject to further discussion between the scrutiny leads and the Corporate Director of Children and Families.
Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee 'Shaping a Healthier Future'	Joint Committee with Brent, Ealing, Hammersmith and Fulham, Hounslow, Kensington and Chelsea, Westminster, Richmond and Wandsworth	Final Report to O&S and Cabinet (for information) and NHS NW London	November	The Health and Social Care sub committee on 7th January agreed in principle to join a Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee when set up with the other seven North West London boroughs in the cluster to consider the implications of the NW London NHS Commissioning Strategy. An informal shadow JOSOC has started to meet in anticipation of the formal JOSOC commencing when the consultation opens in early July. Consultation is expected to run for about 14 weeks until early October.
Libraries and Leisure Contract	Challenge Panel	Final Report to O&S and Portfolio Holder for incorporation into final report to Cabinet	July	The Overview and Scrutiny committee has established a challenge panel to consider this contract.

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