

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

19 November 2018

Is the final decision on the recommendations in this report to be made at this meeting?	Yes
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Portfolio Holders Plans and Progress – Finance and Governance

Final Decision-Maker	Overview and Scrutiny
Portfolio Holder(s)	Councillor David Reilly, Portfolio Holder for Finance and Governance
Lead Director	Director of Finance, Policy and Development – Lee Colyer
Head of Service	Ian Hirst - Head of Communications and Transformation, Jane Clark – Head Performance and Governance, Jane Fineman, Head of Finance and Procurement
Lead Officer/Report Author	Nick Peeters - Scrutiny and Engagement Officer
Classification	Non-exempt
Wards affected	All

This report makes the following recommendations to the final decision-maker:

1. That the Overview and Scrutiny Committee notes the content of the Portfolio Holder's update.

This report relates to the following Five Year Plan Key Objectives:

This report links to all areas of the Five Year Plan

- A prosperous borough
- A well borough
- An inclusive borough

Committee Members can consider whether the current ambitions of the Portfolio Holder are adequate and whether appropriate steps are in place to deliver the Five Year Plan.

Timetable

Meeting	Date
Overview and Scrutiny	19 November 2018

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT AND EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

- 1.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee meets with the Cabinet Portfolio Holders throughout the municipal year to discuss the progress made towards the Council's priority projects.
 - 1.2 Draft statements are attached at appendix B to the report detailing the Portfolio Holders responsibilities, partnership involvement, plans and strategies and projects over the year ahead.
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2. INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 2.1 The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is keen to understand from the Portfolio Holders their ambitions for the year ahead and how that ambition will be realised. In particular, Portfolio Holders should focus on how our residents, businesses and visitors to the borough will see a difference as a result of the actions the Council has taken. The meetings are an opportunity for the Portfolio Holders, in their own words, to explain to the Committee and the public how the Council has made a difference to the lives of residents in the borough.
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3. AVAILABLE OPTIONS

- 3.1 The Portfolio Holder's plans and progress update is for information purposes and the committee will be asked to note the content of the report. However, members may wish to ask questions of the Portfolio Holders and if necessary, ask that additional information be provided to the Committee at a later date.
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4. PREFERRED OPTION AND REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

The Committee and the Portfolio Holders will work together to identify the best ways of doing things in the future - based on learning from past successes, and how the Overview and Scrutiny Committee can help with achieving the Five Year Plan. The Committee would also like to provide effective scrutiny, including opportunities for public engagement and help ensure that the outcomes provide value for money and improvements to public services.

5. NEXT STEPS: COMMUNICATION AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECISION

- 5.1 The views of the Committee and the responses provided by Portfolio Holder will be detailed in the minutes of the meeting and on the Council's website.

6. CROSS-CUTTING ISSUES AND IMPLICATIONS

Issue	Implications	Sign-off (name of officer and date)
Legal including Human Rights Act	There are no legal implications resulting directly from the recommendations in the report	Nick Peeters, Scrutiny and Performance Officer
Finance and other resources	There are no financial implications resulting from the recommendation in the report	Nick Peeters, Scrutiny and Performance Officer
Staffing establishment	There is no impact on staffing levels as a result of the recommendations in the report.	Nick Peeters, Scrutiny and Performance Officer
Equalities	The decisions recommended through this paper have a remote or low relevance to the substance of the Equality Act..	Nick Peeters, Scrutiny and Performance Officer
Data Protection	There are no data protection implications as a result of the recommendations in the report.	Nick Peeters, Scrutiny and Performance Officer

7. REPORT APPENDICES

The following documents are to be published with this report and form part of the report:

- Appendix A – finance and Governance Portfolio Holder Statement 2018-19

8. BACKGROUND PAPERS

None