

Scrutiny Committee

Date: **Thursday 18 May 2023**

Time: **10 am**

Venue: **Council Chamber, County Hall, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DH**

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Scrutiny Committee

Item No: 11

Report Title: Appointment to the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub-Panel

Date of Meeting: 18 May 2023

Responsible Cabinet Member: Cllr Margaret Dewsbury (Cabinet Member for Communities and Partnerships)

Responsible Director: Paul Cracknell, Executive Director, Strategy and Transformation

Executive Summary

The County Council has a statutory duty to ensure that it has a Crime and Disorder Committee to review, scrutinise and make reports and recommendations regarding the functions of the responsible authorities. This role is currently undertaken by the Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel which under the new governance arrangements is now a sub panel of the Scrutiny Committee.

Recommendations

Members are asked to:

1. Consider appointing three Members (politically balanced: 2 Conservative and 1 Labour) onto the Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel.

1. Background and Purpose

- 1.1. In June 2011 the Home Secretary gave permission for the seven Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) in Norfolk to formally merge into one CSP for the whole of the county. Responsibility for scrutiny of the County Community Safety Partnership (CCSP) lies with the County Council.
- 1.2. The County Council agreed in 2011 to the formation of a Scrutiny Sub Panel to scrutinise the Community Safety Partnership (CCSP) and until May 2019 this role has been undertaken by a sub panel of the Communities Committee.
- 1.3. The Scrutiny Committee has the power to scrutinise and make reports and recommendations regarding decisions taken by the 'responsible authorities' in connection with the discharge of their crime and disorder functions. Responsibility for the Sub Panel therefore now rests with this Committee.
- 1.4. The role of the Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel is to:

- scrutinise the actions, decisions and priorities of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Crime and Disorder Partnership in respect of crime and disorder on behalf of the Scrutiny Committee.
- Scrutinise the priorities as set out in the annual Countywide Community Safety Partnership Plan.
- Make any reports or recommendations to the Countywide Community Safety Partnership and/or where considered appropriate to the Scrutiny Committee.

2. Proposals

- 2.1. The Scrutiny Committee is asked to appoint 3 County Council members (2 Conservative and 1 Labour) to represent the County Council on the Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel. A copy of the terms of reference for the Sub Panel are attached at Appendix A.

3. Impact of the Proposal

- 3.1. Appointing Members to the Scrutiny Sub Panel will ensure that the County Council is meeting its statutory duty under Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006.
- 3.2. The Scrutiny Sub Panel and the Police and Crime Panel have the complementary aims of supporting the delivery of local measures to reduce crime and disorder and enhance public safety. Both Panels have therefore agreed a Protocol to ensure that mechanisms are in place to exchange information while ensuring that their individual roles and functions are delivered, without duplicating effort and resources.

4. Evidence and Reasons for Decision

- 4.1. The County Council has a statutory duty to ensure that it has a Crime and Disorder Committee and has determined that the Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel undertakes this role on behalf of the Scrutiny Committee.

5. Alternative Options

- 5.1. There are no alternative options for the Scrutiny Committee to consider.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1. None

7. Resource Implications

- 7.1. **Staff:**
Support to the Sub Panel is provided by Norfolk County Council's Democratic Services.
- 7.2. **Property:**

None

- 7.3. **IT:**
None

8. Other Implications

8.1. Legal Implications:

Section 19 of the Police and Justice Act 2006 requires every local authority to have a Crime and Disorder Committee to review, scrutinise and make reports and recommendations regarding the functions of the responsible authorities.

- 8.2. **Human Rights implications**
None

- 8.3. **Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) (this must be included)**
None

- 8.4. **Health and Safety implications** (where appropriate)
N/A

- 8.5. **Sustainability implications** (where appropriate)
N/A

- 8.6. **Any other implications**

9. Risk Implications/Assessment

- 9.1. None.

10. Select Committee comments

- 10.1. This report does not need to be considered by a Select Committee.

11. Action required

- 11.1. The Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider appointing three Members (politically balanced: 2 Conservative and 1 Labour) onto the Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel.

12. Background Papers

- 12.1. [Police and Justice Act 2006 – Section 19 Local Authority Scrutiny of Crime and Disorder Matters](#)

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APPENDIX A

Countywide Community Safety Partnership - Terms of Reference

(Excerpt from constitution)

4. Scrutiny of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership

- 4.1** The Scrutiny Committee has the power to scrutinise and make reports and recommendations, regarding decisions taken by the 'responsible authorities' in connection with the discharge of their crime and disorder functions. For this purpose, the Committee has established a Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership Sub Panel.

The 'responsible authorities' in Norfolk are: -

- The County Council
- District Councils
- Norfolk Constabulary
- Norfolk Fire and Rescue Service
- Health – Clinical Commissioning Groups
- Probation service

4.2 Role of the Sub Panel

The role of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Sub Panel is to:

- Scrutinise on a quarterly basis the Community Safety Partnership Plan and on such other occasions as are required to scrutinise the actions, decisions and priorities of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Crime and Disorder Partnership in respect of crime and disorder.
- Scrutinise the priorities as set out in the annual Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership Plan.
- Make any reports or recommendations to the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership and/or where considered appropriate to Norfolk County Council's Scrutiny Committee.

4.3 Membership

- 3 County Councillors (politically balanced and can be drawn from the Police and Crime Panel).
- 7 District Council members – one co-opted from each District.
- Each member of the Sub Panel to have one named substitute. No other substitutes are acceptable.
- The Sub Panel may wish to consider co-opting additional non-voting members onto it if appropriate.
- The Chair to be elected from the County Council members on the Sub Panel on an annual basis.

- The Vice Chair to be elected from other members on the Sub Panel on an annual basis.

4.4 Working Style

- The Community Safety Scrutiny Sub Panel meetings will be held quarterly to scrutinise the progress being made with delivering the Partnership Plan and on such other occasions as are required.
- The Chair will provide regular update reports to the Scrutiny Committee.
- The quorum for the Sub Panel will be five members.
- Unless otherwise stated meetings of the Sub Panel will be held in accordance with Appendix 8 of the County Council's constitution.

4.5 General issues

- Democratic support to the Sub Panel will be provided by the County Council.

Scrutiny Committee

Item No: 12

Report Title: Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme

Date of Meeting: 18 May 2023

Responsible Cabinet Member: None

Responsible Director: Executive Director of Strategy and Transformation

Executive Summary

This paper sets out the current forward work programme for the Scrutiny Committee, outlining committee dates and agreed items.

Recommendations

Members of the committee are asked to:

1. Note the current Scrutiny Committee forward work programme and discuss potential further items for future consideration.

1. Background and Purpose

- 1.1 Members of the Scrutiny Committee took part in a work programming session held on the 22 April 2023, discussing proposed items for the Committee to consider through until May 2024. A complete forward work programme will be approved by the Chair and Vice-Chair and shared with the committee for approval at the June 2023 meeting of the Scrutiny Committee
- 1.2 The work programme attached is amended frequently to better reflect officer pressures and changes to the Cabinet forward plan of decisions.
- 1.3 All topics are subject to change, with the committee remaining flexible to ensure the ability to adapt to emerging and urgent topics for consideration.

2. Proposal

- 2.1 Members are asked to note the attached forward programme of work (**Appendix A**) and discuss potential further items for consideration.

3. Impact of the Proposal

- 3.1 Maintaining the proposed work programme will ensure that the Scrutiny Committee has a full schedule of work, and officers are well prepared to present to the committee.

4. Financial Implications

- 4.1 None

5. Resource Implications

5.1 Staff:

None

5.2 Property:

None

5.3 IT:

None

6. Other Implications

6.1 Legal Implications:

None

6.2 Human Rights Implications:

None

6.3 Equality Impact Assessment (EqIA) (this must be included):

None

6.4 Data Protection Impact Assessments (DPIA):

None

6.5 Health and Safety implications (where appropriate):

None

6.6 Sustainability implications (where appropriate):

None

6.7 Any Other Implications:

None

7. Risk Implications / Assessment

7.1 None

8. Select Committee Comments

8.1 None

9. Recommendations

Members of the Scrutiny Committee are asked to:

1. Note the Scrutiny Committee forward work programme and discuss potential further items for future consideration.

10. Background Papers

10.1 **Appendix A** – Scrutiny Committee Forward Programme of Work

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Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme

Date	Report	Further notes/Comments	Better Together for Norfolk - Strategic Goal(s)*	Cabinet Member	Exec Director
18/05/23	Committee Terms of Reference	Standard annual item	- N/A	N/A	N/A
	County Deal – Consultation Outcomes and Next Steps.	Scheduled item on the County Deal timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives - Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities - A Greener, More Resilient Future 	Cllr Kay Mason-Billig, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Governance and Strategy	Paul Cracknell, Executive Director of Strategy and Transformation
	Local First Inclusion – Safety Valve	Requested by the Chair of Scrutiny	- Better Opportunities for Children and Young People	Cllr Penny Carpenter, Cabinet Member for Children's Services	Sarah Tough, Executive Director of Children's Services

21/06/23	Update from the Chair of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership	Standing item	- Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities	None	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
	Strategic and Financial Planning 2024-25	Standard Budget Setting Item	- A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy	Cllr Andrew Jamieson, Cabinet Member for Finance	Harvey Bullen, Director of Strategic Finance
	Finance Monitoring 2022-23 Outturn Report	Quarterly Financial Management Item	- N/A	Cllr Andrew Jamieson, Cabinet Member for Finance	Harvey Bullen, Director of Strategic Finance
19/07/23	Performance Review Panels – Quarterly Update	Standard quarterly item	- Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives	Cllr Alison Thomas, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Cllr Penny Carpenter, Cabinet Member for Children’s Services	James Bullion, Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Sarah Tough, Executive Director of Children’s Services
	LEP integration with NCC	Requested by Scrutiny Committee Members	- A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy	Cllr Graham Plant, Cabinet Member for Highways, Infrastructure and Transport	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services

	NCC Climate Change Strategy	Requested by Scrutiny Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Greener, More Resilient Future 	Cllr Eric Vardy, Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
23/08/23	County Deal - Update	Scheduled item on the County Deal timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives - Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities - A Greener, More Resilient Future 	Cllr Kay Mason-Billig, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Governance and Strategy	Paul Cracknell, Executive Director of Strategy and Transformation
	Digital Connectivity in Norfolk	Requested by Scrutiny Members	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives 	Cllr Graham Plant, Cabinet Member for Highways, Infrastructure and Transport	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services

			- Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities		
20/09/23	Update from the Chair of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership	Standing item	- Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities	None	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
	NORSE/NORSE Care	Requested by Scrutiny Members	- Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives	Cllr Kay Mason-Billig, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Governance and Strategy & Cllr Alison Thomas, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Services	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services & James Bullion, Executive Director of Adult Social Care
	Recycling Services	Requested by Scrutiny Members	- A Greener, More Resilient Future	Cllr Eric Vardy, Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services

18/10/23	County Deal - Update	Scheduled item on the County Deal timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives - Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities - A Greener, More Resilient Future 	Cllr Kay Mason-Billig, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Governance and Strategy	Paul Cracknell, Executive Director of Strategy and Transformation
	Performance Review Panels – Quarterly Update	Standard quarterly item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives 	Cllr Alison Thomas, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Cllr Penny Carpenter, Cabinet Member for Children's Services	James Bullion, Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Sarah Tough, Executive Director of Children's Services
	Strategic and Financial Planning 2023-24	Standard budget setting item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy 	Cllr Andrew Jamieson, Cabinet Member for Finance	Harvey Bullen, Director of Strategic Finance

22/11/23	Review of Norfolk Flood Prevention Activity	Agreed by the Scrutiny Committee at the meeting held on the 23 November 2022	- A Greener, More Resilient Future	Cllr Graham Plant, Cabinet Member for Highways, Infrastructure and Transport	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
	Coastal Erosion/Drought in Norfolk	Requested by Scrutiny Members	- A Greener, More Resilient Future	Cllr Eric Vardy, Cabinet Member for Environment and Waste	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
13/12/23	County Deal – Consideration of Statutory Instrument	Scheduled item on the County Deal timeline	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives - Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities - A Greener, More Resilient Future 	Cllr Kay Mason-Billig, Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Strategy and Governance	Paul Cracknell, Executive Director of Strategy and Transformation
	Update from the Chair of the Norfolk Countywide Community Safety Partnership	Standing item	Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities	None	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and

					Environmental Services
20/12/23	Nothing Currently Scheduled				
25/01/24	Update on Local Government Finance Settlement	Standard budget setting item	- A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy	Cllr Andrew Jamieson, Cabinet Member for Finance	Harvey Bullen, Director of Strategic Finance
	Access to Museums Service	Requested by Scrutiny Members	- Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities	Cllr Margaret Dewsbury, Cabinet Member for Communities and Partnerships	Tom McCabe, Executive Director of Community and Environmental Services
	People with Disabilities, Engagement and Charging Policy	Requested by Scrutiny Members	- Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives	Cllr Alison Thomas, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care	James Bullion, Executive Director of Adult Social Care
	Performance Review Panels – Quarterly Update	Standard quarterly item	- Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives	Cllr Alison Thomas, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care & Cllr Penny Carpenter, Cabinet Member for Children's Services	James Bullion, Executive Director of Adult Social Care & Sarah Tough, Executive Director of Children's Services
14/02/24	Scrutiny Committee 2023-24 Budget scrutiny	Standard budget setting item	- A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy	Cllr Andrew Jamieson, Cabinet Member for Finance	Harvey Bullen, Director of Strategic Finance

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives - Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities <p>A Greener, More Resilient Future</p>		
20/03/24	Nothing Currently Scheduled				
24/04/24	Performance Review Panels – Quarterly Update	Standard quarterly item	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better Opportunities for Children and Young People - Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives 	<p>Cllr Alison Thomas, Cabinet Member for Adult Social Care</p> <p>&</p> <p>Cllr Penny Carpenter, Cabinet Member for Children's Services</p>	<p>James Bullion, Executive Director of Adult Social Care</p> <p>&</p> <p>Sarah Tough, Executive Director of Children's Services</p>

**The 'Better Together for Norfolk – County Council Strategy 2021-25' outlines five strategic priorities. These are:*

- *A Vibrant and Sustainable Economy*
- *Better Opportunities for Children and Young People*
- *Healthy, Fulfilling and Independent Lives*
- *Strong, Engaged and Inclusive Communities*

- *A Greener, More Resilient Future*

When scheduling items for the work programme the committee should consider, where applicable, the item contributes to the above strategic goals and overall delivery of the County Council's strategy for 2021-25.