

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Agenda

10 February 2020 at 7pm

**Council Chamber, Civic Centre,
Duke Street, Chelmsford**

Membership

Councillor J. Galley (Chair)
Councillor S.M. Goldman (Vice-Chair)

and Councillors

L. Ashley, N.A. Dudley, I.S. Grundy, R.J. Hyland, D.G. Jones, J.C.S.
Lager J.S. Lardge, L.A. Mascot, M. Sismey, M.S. Steel, M.D.
Watson, R.T. Whitehead and S. Young

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OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

10 February 2020

AGENDA

PART I

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS**

2. **MINUTES**

To consider the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2020.

3. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

All Members are reminded that they must disclose any interests they know they have in items of business on the meeting's agenda and that they must do so at this point on the agenda or as soon as they become aware of the interest. If the interest is a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, they are also obliged to notify the Monitoring Officer within 28 days of the meeting.

4. **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**

Any member of the public may ask a question or make a statement at this point in the meeting. Each person has two minutes and a maximum of 15 minutes is allotted to public questions/statements, which must be about matters for which the Committee is responsible.

The Chair may disallow a question if it is offensive, substantially the same as another question or requires disclosure of exempt or confidential information. If the question cannot be answered at the meeting a written response will be provided after the meeting.

5. **DECISIONS CALLED-IN**

To report on any Cabinet decisions called in and to decide how they should be progressed.

6. **CABINET PORTFOLIO UPDATE**

To receive an update from the Cabinet Member for Safer Chelmsford, Cllr Deakin.

7. **ANNUAL PRESENTATION BY SAFER CHELMSFORD PARTNERSHIP**

Spencer Clarke, Public Protection Manager, Chelmsford City Council, will give a presentation on the work of the Safer Chelmsford Partnership following which Members will have the opportunity to ask questions.

8. **ANNUAL PRESENTATION BY ESSEX POLICE**

Steve Scott-Haynes, Temporary Chief Inspector, Essex Police, will give a presentation on the performance information relating to crime following which Members will have the opportunity to ask questions.

9. **TASK AND FINISH GROUP – COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMUNICATION**

To receive an interim update from the Community Safety Communication T&F Group.

10. **WORK PROGRAMME**

11. **URGENT BUSINESS**

To consider any other matter which, in the opinion of the Chair, should be considered by reason of special circumstances (to be specified) as a matter of urgency.

PART II (EXEMPT ITEMS)

NIL

MINUTES

of the

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

held on 13 January 2020 at 7pm

Present:

Councillor J. Galley (Chair)

Councillors L. Ashley, N.A. Dudley, S.M. Goldman, I.S. Grundy, R.J. Hyland,
D.G. Jones, J.C. Lager, L.A. Mascot, M. Sismey, M Springett, M.S. Steel,
M.D. Watson, R.T. Whitehead and S. Young

1. **Apologies for Absence and Substitutions**

Apologies for absence were received from Councillor J Lardge, who had appointed Councillor M Springett as her substitute.

2. **Minutes**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 July 2019 were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

3. **Declaration of Interests**

All members were reminded to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary or other registerable interests where appropriate in any items of business on the meeting's agenda. None were made.

4. **Public Question Time**

No questions were asked or statements made by members of the public.

5. **Decisions Called-In**

The Committee noted that no decisions taken by the Cabinet had been called-in since the last meeting.

6. **Cabinet Portfolio Update**

The Leader of the Council was unable to attend the meeting to update the Committee on matters for which he was responsible. The Committee therefore decided to defer the item to a future meeting.

7. Annual Report on Housing Delivery

The Cabinet Member for Greener Chelmsford presented the annual report on housing delivery, which gave an overview of the key housing delivery monitoring statistics for Chelmsford between April 2018 and March 2019. It included the performance against the annual housing requirement number, the amount of affordable housing delivered, national initiatives on housing supply and local initiatives to address housing need.

The Committee was pleased to note that housing completions in 2018/19 had increased compared to 2017/18 and that similar rates of completion were expected over the next five years. In large part this was as a result of the development framework provided by the draft Local Plan, the work to maximise numbers through national and local initiatives, and the guidance and support provided by the Council to developers.

In response to a question, the Committee was informed that there was no direct correlation between the number of planning permissions granted over the past three years and the number of dwellings started or built. The number of planning permissions referred to in the report related to extant permissions, they were not cumulative and it was not a given that a development granted permission would proceed.

During discussion the opinion was expressed that while regulations required new homes to be more sustainable and energy efficient, it could not be argued that this was directly attributable to the Council and would contribute to its aim to be carbon neutral by 2030. The Cabinet Member said that although the Council was not directly responsible for the design of the developments, it could influence developers through its policies and guidance and working with them to bring forward schemes that would help contribute to the City as a whole reducing its carbon emissions.

Asked whether the Council would be producing new criteria as to what constituted a truly affordable home, the Cabinet Member said that the definition of affordable housing was established by the National Planning Policy Framework, not the Council. Affordability was also influenced by the welfare and benefits system and the level of rents charged by landlords. Within those limitations, however, the Affordable Housing Working Group would be looking at how the Council could influence the affordability of properties for those in most need of them.

RESOLVED that the Annual Report on Housing Delivery 2018/19 be noted.

(7.05 pm to 7.21 pm)

8. Mid-Year Budget Review

The Committee received the annual monitoring report setting out the mid-year position on the Council's revenue and capital budgets. The report identified the main under- and over-spends in the revenue budget and on capital schemes, the causes for them and any action taken to remedy them. It was noted that the information represented the financial position at November 2019 and that any changes since then would be reflected in the budget being considered by Cabinet and Council in the coming weeks.

During discussion of the report, reference was made to the level of income achieved at Hylands. It was suggested that this could be looked at as part of the Leisure Management Performance item within the Work Programme which was due to be considered by the Committee on 8 June 2020.

RESOLVED that the information on the 2019-20 Mid-Year Budget Review be noted.

(7.21 pm to 7.28 pm)

9. **Parks and Green Spaces Performance Review**

The Committee received a report and presentation on the performance of the City Council's Parks and Green Spaces Service. They examined the facilities provided by the service, how they were managed and maintained, the extent of their use and whether they represented value for money, and how the Council's performance compared with that of other local authorities in the provision of similar services and facilities.

Whilst welcoming the report and commending the service on its performance, the Committee sought clarity as to whether the assessment of parks and green spaces provision against the standards set out in the Local Plan took into account playing pitches, play areas and allotments etc. provided by local town and parish councils and other organisations. It was confirmed that this was the case and the purpose of the Open Space Assessment that was prepared to support the Local Plan was to give this overall view of provision against the standards, irrespective of who the provider was.

It was agreed that supplementary information and a breakdown of the open space, allotments and recreational facilities provided in each area, including that provided by the City Council and others, would be presented to the Committee at a subsequent meeting.

The Committee also referred to a growing tendency for the responsibility for the maintenance of public open space to remain with a management company set up by the developers rather than offered for adoption by the Council. By using this arrangement, the developer avoided paying a commuted sum to the Council for the ongoing maintenance but there was increasing concern that this resulted in residents being unduly burdened with the cost of maintaining spaces meant to be part of the public realm. The Committee felt that the implications of this should be looked at and was told that the issue would form part of the forthcoming review of the Parks and Green Spaces Strategy.

RESOLVED that:

1. the report and presentation on the Parks and Green Spaces service be noted; and
2. information on the Open Space Assessment be submitted to a future meeting, together with an appraisal of the extent to which the standards for the overall provision of open space and facilities in Chelmsford are being met

(7.28 pm to 7.56 pm)

10. Terms of Reference for Task and Finish Group on Riverside Leisure Centre

The proposed terms of reference of a Task and Finish Group set up to evaluate the Riverside Leisure Centre redevelopment scheme were presented for the Committee's consideration. Members suggested a number of changes to the terms of reference, which were accepted.

RESOLVED that:

1. Subject, to the following amendments, the terms of reference for the Task and Finish Group on the Riverside Leisure Centre redevelopment scheme be approved:
 - in the Purpose section, delete the words "Generally" and "post" in the first line and remove the three paragraphs that following the bullet points;
 - in the Scope section, add the words "but not be limited to" at the end of the first line and make it clear in item number 8 that the Group should look at the financial aspects of the development up to 2020
2. the Task and Finish Group comprise Councillors D Clark, S Goldman, R Hyland, M Sismey and S Young.

(7.56 pm to 8.03 pm)

11. Decisions taken under Delegation to the Chief Executive

The Committee received information on the one decision taken during the period 1 June to 31 October 2019 under the Chief Executive's delegated authority to take urgent decisions. The decision related to membership of committees.

RESOLVED that the report be noted.

(8.03 pm to 8.04 pm)

12. Future Work Programme

The Committee was invited to comment on its future work programme and to agree the programme for the remainder of 2019/20 and for 2020/21.

RESOLVED that the Committee's work programme for 2020 to 2021 be approved, subject to:

- the Task and Finish Group on Community Safety only submitting an interim report to the next meeting, and
- the inclusion at an appropriate point of an item on the review of the Parks and Open Spaces Strategy.

(8.04 pm to 8.05 pm)

13. **Urgent Business**

There were no items of urgent business.

The meeting closed at 8.05pm.

Chairman

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
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AGENDA ITEM 9

Subject:	COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMUNICATION (INTERIM REPORT)
Report by:	DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC PLACES

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Purpose

To provide an interim report on the work of the community safety communication task and finish group.

Recommendation

That Members note the report.

Corporate Implications

Legal:	None
Financial:	None
Potential impact on climate change and the environment:	None
Contribution toward achieving a net zero carbon position by 2030:	None
Personnel:	None
Risk Management:	None
Equalities and Diversity:	None
Health and Safety:	None
IT:	None
Other:	None

Consultees:	Members of the Task and Finish Group
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Policies and Strategies

Not applicable

1. Introduction

1.1 Following an increase in concern about drug dealing and anti-social behaviour within local communities and neighbourhoods, and the perceived lack of information and feedback being provided to residents the Overview & Scrutiny Committee set up a task and finish group to look at how community safety communication by both Chelmsford City Council and Essex Police could be improved.

2. Task and Finish Group

2.1 The task and finish group consisted of:

Cllr Mascot
Cllr Young
Cllr Lager
Cllr Hyland
Cllr Dobson

With Officer input and support from:

ACI Steve Scott-Haynes - District Commander, Essex Police
Spencer Clarke - Public Protection Manager, Chelmsford City Council
Sam Dordoy - Communications Manager, Chelmsford City Council
Chris Sykes - Criminal Intelligence Analyst, Essex Police
Paul Brookes - Public Health & Protection Services Manager, Chelmsford City Council

2.2 The objective of the task and finish group was to 'Examine how the Council and Essex Police can improve communication with residents on community safety initiatives and the impact they have, and how feedback on residents' reports and intelligence of anti-social behaviour and crime can be provided in a timely and meaningful way.'

2.3 With the desired outcome of 'Improving awareness of community safety initiatives and police interventions and improve communication to help manage concerns communities have about anti-social behaviour and crime.'

3. Background

3.1 Essex Police and Chelmsford City Council are key partners of the Community Safety Partnership (CSP), other partners include Essex Fire & Rescue, Probation Services, Essex County Council, Mid-Essex Clinical Commissioning Group. The purpose of the CSP is to deliver safer communities; the main way of doing this is to reduce crime and reduce the fear of crime. Whilst communication has a part to play in reducing crime, the main purpose of effective community safety communication is reducing the fear of crime. The majority of public engagement and community safety messages produced by the Council are done so with the aim of reducing the fear of crime.

4. What is happening currently

- 4.1 Social media has an important role to play in community safety communication due to the wide coverage achieved and accessibility for the public, however, there are some significant drawbacks in its use which means it may not always be the most appropriate form of communication although currently it is a very important one. The drawbacks are mainly the lack of control on how the message is shared and commented on, and the potential lack of impact due to congested news feeds.
- 4.2 Essex Police have a strong following on social media platforms and they have significantly increased the number and quality of their social media postings, with the Community Policing Team and Local Policing Team posting every day. Many of these posts are proactive and reassuring in nature. This effective presence on social media has contributed to an increase in local residents feeling better informed of policing in the local area with a 10% uplift in satisfaction ratings in the last 6 months.
- 4.3 Essex Police have been trialling a WhatsApp group with 7 neighbourhood watch coordinators in city centre areas. The WhatsApp group is predominantly for the reporting of suspicious activity and is constantly monitored by a Sargent within the Community Policing Team, currently 55% of incidents are attended and information is fed back via the group as to what action has been taken. Feedback is very positive, and this type of communication is extremely popular with the neighbourhood watch co-ordinators.
- 4.4 For statistical information Essex Police currently publish monthly rolling data, an example is attached at appendix 1. The District Commander also produces a monthly info graphic although feedback has been that it's not particularly useful or relevant due to lack of comparability.
- 4.5 Coffee with Cops is a good example of one of Essex Police's public engagement initiatives. It is run by the community policing team across the Chelmsford district. It encourages members of the public to come and interact with the community policing team, in their local area, so that they can raise or discuss issues that affect them or their local community. In January 2020 there are 10 events across the Chelmsford District, ranging from East Hanningfield to the city centre, in order to give as many people the opportunity to partake and talk to the police. The sessions are planned to continue throughout the year, along with the other activities that the police are involved in.

- 4.6 Chelmsford City Council emphasis is on face to face public engagement which can be focussed around national campaigns such as rural crime awareness week, hate crime, domestic abuse, safeguarding adult's week etc. or local issues of concern, recent examples have been;
- the Spot It Stop It rolling campaign to train staff working in high risk premises (hotels, leisure centres, takeaways, taxis, retail stores) to spot signs of child exploitation and what to do when concerned about a child or situation. To date 25 businesses have received training.
 - Gang Awareness Training to raise parent awareness of what their young people may face, signs they're starting to get involved in, or being groomed by a gang, and where they can get help in managing the situation. Over 100 parents have signed up for the first two sessions.
 - Crucial crew provides education and awareness training to 1200 year 6 children, this year topics covered will include grooming & exploitation, weapons awareness, and drugs & alcohol.
- 4.7 Local meetings are also set up on a needs basis to discuss local issues and problem solving, recent examples include the work with Old Moulsham neighbourhood watch and local businesses around rough sleeping, these meeting tend to be multi-agency with both the Council and the police in attendance.
- 4.8 The Community Safety Partnership attends the annual Public Meeting for the PFCC which an opportunity for members of the public to ask questions in relation to community safety to the PFCC, Essex Police and CSP.
- 4.9 The Council works closely with Neighbourhood Watch, and their chair person is an active member of tasking and cascades community safety messages throughout the local watch coordinators.
- 4.10 The Community Safety Partnership Hub which in early 2019 resulted in the co-location of the Council's Public Health & Protection Services, Essex Police's Community Policing Team, the Council's and Police's anti-social behaviour officers, and the Violence and Vulnerability Team has significantly improved communication between the Police and the Council resulting in more effective working, quicker, proportionate and more capable response to issues of concern, and more co-ordinated communications which will continue to be built upon over time.

5. What needs to improve

- 5.1 Members of the task and finish group were asked what they consider needs to be improved. There was agreement that more information would be useful but it has to be relevant and meaningful, it was highlighted the need for and importance of specific information about crimes that have happened in localities and what the response is going to be. The police collect and collate a huge amount of data and without a narrative it is not particularly useful. The task and finish group members accepted the issue that for operational reasons the police are largely unable to provide specific information on individuals or issues of concern where the information could affect ongoing operations but even so there was room for improvement on what is currently happening.

- 5.2 The main improvement was identified as meaningful information in a timely manner, this was the case for a response to specific issue or of concern as well as regular information bulletins and briefings. It is known that one of the most important factors in fear of crime is the perceived level of disorder in the local neighbourhood, and whilst perceptions will differ between individual residents any information that can be provided which can show that levels of disorder are low or is being actively tackled should result in a reduction in the fear of crime.
- 5.3 It was recognised that for the majority of time different issues are of concern to different groups and individuals at different times, and it was not possible to address everyone's needs. Therefore, it was the ability to access information that was important especially information that was ward and issue specific, this was particularly so for Members that need to respond to residents' concerns in a timely manner.
- 5.4 Discussion took place about communication in other Districts, no readily identifiable best practice was identified and whilst the Public Protection Manager will be visiting Colchester and Southend to see how they deal with this issue it was agreed that a process should be created that is right for Chelmsford.
- 5.5 Chelmsford neighbourhood watch coordinators and a neighbourhood watch group were asked their thoughts about community safety communication, they commented that they liked the police use of twitter and would support a similar use, i.e. short, snappy and informative, by the wider community safety partnership. They were very supportive of the WhatsApp trial currently being conducted, knowing that their reports were being actively acted upon was very reassuring and having some form of feedback was important. They were very impressed by the range of activities conducted by the Council's community safety team but felt that they needed publicising more and they would value a newsletter which could be disseminated to community groups via Facebook or as part of the neighbourhood watch newsletter, and they would like to see more face to face engagement, including regular Officer attendance at local community meetings.

6. Progress

- 6.1 Essex Police are mindful that whatever information is provided to Chelmsford & Maldon Local Policing District would also have to be provided to the other policing districts within Essex so provision of information may be limited by the police resources available to commit to this. From a confidentiality perspective the police have stated that what isn't being shared now probably can't be but recognise there is still a lot of scope to improve what is currently being provided. The data it provides could be presented in a more relevant and user-friendly format and at ward level, this would facilitate the use of a crime risk matrix to reassess police priorities. The District Commander has committed to investigate this and will be taking this up with the performance unit within Essex Police.
- 6.2 What information was available and how it could be accessed was not clear, it was also apparent that Members did not necessarily need or want the same level of information, but they needed access to information in a timely manner particularly if it related to concerns of residents within their ward. It has been agreed that a Sharepoint site for Members where all community safety information can be collated in an organised way should be created.

- 6.3 It has been agreed to progress a quarterly district-wide communication with more reactive communication for specific incidents of concerns, this will be developed in conjunction with the development of the Sharepoint site within the Members Information Area of the Council's website.
- 6.4 It is suggested that the Sharepoint site will contain, in a structured way, all community safety information that will be of use to Members, this will include all performance data, details on current and planned community engagement events, specific ward issues, and background information on community safety and how the Council interacts with Essex Police including, for example, communication protocols between Essex Police, community safety, and ward councillors in the event of incidents resulting in local concern or potential community impact issues.
- 6.5 The police's presence on social media is very strong and rather than the Council trying to replicate a community safety presence it would be more effective to incorporate the Council's community safety messages into this established social media channel .

7. Conclusion

- 7.1 The task and finish group are making significant progress on the objective of 'examining how the Council and Essex Police can improve communication with residents on community safety initiatives and the impact they have, and how feedback on residents' reports and intelligence of anti-social behaviour and crime can be provided in a timely and meaningful way.'
- 7.2 This is a very broad area of work with a plethora of data and information, with the recipients of the information not necessarily wanting the same information or wanting it provided in a similar manner. The task and finish group have started filtering the requirements and what is likely to be achievable to arrive at recommended approaches which now need to be explored further.
- 7.3 The next stage of the task and finish group's work will be to focus on the provision of ward level police data, the development of a Member Sharepoint site to collate all community safety information in a meaningful way, and continue to explore the most effective forms of communication with the public and stakeholders such as neighbourhood watch.

List of Appendices

Appendix 1 – Example of Police data

Background Papers

Nil

Chelmsford

Rolling 12 Months to June

Top Level		Offences				Solved Outcomes				Solved Rates %		
Crime Type	% DA 2019	2018	2019	# diff.	% diff.	2018	2019	# diff.	% diff.	2018	2019	% pt. diff.
Anti-Social Behaviour (incidents)	-	4164	4104	-60	-1.4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All Crime (excl. Action (NFIB) Fraud)	14.6	13025	15667	2642	20.3	1699	2312	613	36.1	13.0	14.8	1.7
- State Based Crime	5.9	1927	2678	751	39.0	577	948	371	64.3	29.9	35.4	5.5
- Victim Based Crime	16.4	11098	12989	1891	17.0	1122	1364	242	21.6	10.1	10.5	0.4
Victim Based Crime		Offences				Solved Outcomes				Solved Rates %		
Crime Type	% DA 2019	2018	2019	# diff.	% diff.	2018	2019	# diff.	% diff.	2018	2019	% pt. diff.
Violence Against the Person	32.9	4151	5484	1333	32.1	632	727	95	15.0	15.2	13.3	-2.0
- Homicide	-	2	0	-2	-100.0	1	1	0	0.0	50.0	-	-
- Violence with Injury	32.2	1330	1378	48	3.6	292	266	-26	-8.9	22.0	19.3	-2.7
- Death or Serious Injury caused by unlawful driving	0.0	3	3	0	0.0	1	1	0	0.0	33.3	33.3	0.0
- Violence without Injury	33.7	1588	2076	488	30.7	240	305	65	27.1	15.1	14.7	-0.4
- Stalking and Harassment	32.5	1228	2027	799	65.1	98	154	56	57.1	8.0	7.6	-0.4
Sexual Offences	13.6	442	551	109	24.7	26	19	-7	-26.9	5.9	3.4	-2.4
- Rape	23.7	179	262	83	46.4	3	1	-2	-66.7	1.7	0.4	-1.3
- Rape - Under 16 yrs	0.0	41	67	26	63.4	0	1	1	-	0.0	1.5	1.5
- Rape - Over 16 yrs	31.8	138	195	57	41.3	3	0	-3	-100.0	2.2	0.0	-2.2
- Other Sexual Offences	4.5	263	289	26	9.9	23	18	-5	-21.7	8.7	6.2	-2.5
Robbery	2.8	128	142	14	10.9	19	10	-9	-47.4	14.8	7.0	-7.8
- Robbery of business property	0.0	11	15	4	36.4	3	2	-1	-33.3	27.3	13.3	-13.9
- Robbery of Personal Property	3.1	117	127	10	8.5	16	8	-8	-50.0	13.7	6.3	-7.4
Theft Offences	1.6	5064	5384	320	6.3	314	457	143	45.5	6.2	8.5	2.3
- Burglary	1.2	1121	1287	166	14.8	38	96	58	152.6	3.4	7.5	4.1
- Burglary Residential	1.5	821	1000	179	21.8	32	48	16	50.0	3.9	4.8	0.9
- Burglary Business & Community	0.0	300	287	-13	-4.3	6	48	42	700.0	2.0	16.7	14.7
- Burglary Dwelling (pre-Apr 17 definition)	2.5	497	554	57	11.5	32	41	9	28.1	6.4	7.4	1.0
- Burglary Other (pre-Apr 17 definition)	0.1	624	733	109	17.5	6	55	49	816.7	1.0	7.5	6.5
- Vehicle Offences (incl. Interference)	0.6	1096	1226	130	11.9	25	23	-2	-8.0	2.3	1.9	-0.4
- Theft from a Vehicle	0.0	602	606	4	0.7	10	6	-4	-40.0	1.7	1.0	-0.7
- Theft of a Vehicle	1.6	365	447	82	22.5	13	12	-1	-7.7	3.6	2.7	-0.9
- Vehicle Interference	0.0	129	173	44	34.1	2	5	3	150.0	1.6	2.9	1.3
- Theft	2.2	2847	2871	24	0.8	251	338	87	34.7	8.8	11.8	3.0
- Theft from the Person	2.2	231	178	-53	-22.9	2	2	0	0.0	0.9	1.1	0.3
- Theft of Pedal Cycle	0.7	349	305	-44	-12.6	13	5	-8	-61.5	3.7	1.6	-2.1
- Shoplifting	0.0	989	1038	49	5.0	181	270	89	49.2	18.3	26.0	7.7
- Other Theft	4.2	1278	1350	72	5.6	55	61	6	10.9	4.3	4.5	0.2
Criminal Damage inc. Arson	11.1	1313	1428	115	8.8	131	151	20	15.3	10.0	10.6	0.6
- Criminal Damage	11.6	1261	1349	88	7.0	129	149	20	15.5	10.2	11.0	0.8
- Arson	2.5	52	79	27	51.9	2	2	0	0.0	3.8	2.5	-1.3
Racial/Religiously Aggravated Offences	2.8	106	141	35	33.0	15	20	5	33.3	14.2	14.2	0.0
Hate Crime HO Definition	4.1	185	242	57	30.8	26	40	14	53.8	14.1	16.5	2.5
State Based Crime		Offences				Solved Outcomes				Solved Rates %		
Crime Type	% DA 2019	2018	2019	# diff.	% diff.	2018	2019	# diff.	% diff.	2018	2019	% pt. diff.
Drug Offences	0.0	367	600	233	63.5	292	546	254	87.0	79.6	91.0	11.4
- Trafficking of Drugs	0.0	83	81	-2	-2.4	56	59	3	5.4	67.5	72.8	5.4
- Possession of Drugs	0.0	284	519	235	82.7	236	487	251	106.4	83.1	93.8	10.7
Possession of Weapons	0.7	107	140	33	30.8	63	89	26	41.3	58.9	63.6	4.7
Public Order	8.5	1037	1412	375	36.2	158	229	71	44.9	15.2	16.2	1.0
Miscellaneous Crimes against Society	7.0	416	526	110	26.4	64	84	20	31.3	15.4	16.0	0.6

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AGENDA ITEM 10

Subject:	WORK PROGRAMME
Report by:	DIRECTOR OF CONNECTED CHELMSFORD

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Purpose

The purpose of this report is to invite Members' comments on the Committee's work programme which has been updated since the Committee last met on 13 January 2020.

Recommendation

Members are invited to comment on the Committee's work programme, attached as Appendix 1 to this report, and make any necessary amendments to it.

Corporate Implications

Legal:	None
Financial:	None
Potential impact on climate change and the environment:	None
Contribution toward achieving a net zero carbon position by 2030:	None
Personnel:	None
Risk Management:	None
Equalities and Diversity:	None
Health and Safety:	None
IT:	None
Other:	None

Consultees:	Chair and Vice-Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee
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Policies and Strategies

Not applicable

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Committee's work programme has been updated following the meeting held on 13 January 2020 and is attached at Appendix 1.
- 1.2 Any changes to the programme since the last meeting are indicated by an asterisk and bold text in Appendix 1.
- 1.3 Any suggested future items that need assigning to a meeting are highlighted at the end of Appendix 1.

2. Conclusion

- 2.1 Members' comments are invited on the work programme.

List of Appendices

Appendix 1 – Work Programme

Background Papers

Nil

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Work Programme

** Any changes to the programme since the last meeting are indicated by an asterisk and bold text.*

<u>Subject</u>	<u>Author</u>
10 February 2020	
Performance Review Items	
Cabinet Portfolio Update	Cabinet Member for Safer Chelmsford
Annual Presentation by Essex Police	Essex Police
Annual Presentation by Safer Chelmsford Partnership	Spencer Clarke Public Protection Manager
Task and Finish Group Items	
*Task & Finish Group on Community Safety Communication (Interim Report)	Paul Brookes Public Health & Protection Services Manager
27 April 2020	
Performance Review Items	
Quarterly review of the work of the Policy Board	Director of Public Places
*Cabinet Portfolio Updates	Leader and Cabinet Member for Connected Chelmsford
Recycling and Waste	Director of Public Places
Reports from representatives on outside bodies	Dan Bird Democratic Services Officer
8 June 2020	
Performance Review Items	
Quarterly review of the work of the Policy Board	Director of Public Places
*Cabinet Portfolio Update	Cabinet Member for Greener Chelmsford
End of year budget review	Director of Finance

Leisure Management Performance (Riverside Examination)	Director of Public Places
Annual Report on Corporate Health & Safety	Paul Brookes Public Health & Protection Services Manager
Standing Items	
Report on Decisions Taken Under Delegation to the Chief Executive	Dan Bird Democratic Services Officer
Annual report of Committee	Dan Bird Democratic Services Officer
21 September 2020	
Performance Review Items	
Quarterly review of the work of the Policy Board	Director of Public Places
Climate Change Declaration Review	Director of Public Places
Annual review of the Corporate Plan	Director for Connected Chelmsford
23 November 2020	
Performance Review Items	
Cabinet Portfolio Update	Cabinet Member for Fairer Chelmsford
Quarterly review of the work of the Policy Board	Director of Public Places
Mid-year budget review	Director of Finance
Cabinet Member for Greener Chelmsford's Annual Report on Housing Delivery	Jeremy Potter Spatial Planning Services Manager
Standing Items	
Report on Decisions Taken Under Delegation to the Chief Executive	Dan Bird Democratic Services Officer
1 February 2021	
Performance Review Items	
*Cabinet Portfolio Updates	Cabinet Members for Connected and Safer Chelmsford

Annual Presentation by Essex Police	Essex Police
Annual Presentation by Safer Chelmsford Partnership	Spencer Clarke Public Protection Manager
26 April 2021	
Performance Review Items	
Cabinet Portfolio Update	Cabinet Member for Greener Chelmsford
Quarterly review of the work of the Policy Board	Director of Public Places
Reports from representatives on outside bodies	Dan Bird Democratic Services Officer
Future Work to be scheduled	
Performance Monitoring Topic suggestions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Digital Developments</i> - <i>Business Transformation</i> - <i>Museum</i> - <i>*Parks and Open Spaces Strategy</i> 	
Task and Finish Groups: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>*Final report from Community Safety Communication</i> - <i>*Reports from Riverside Project T&F</i> 	