

Scrutiny & Overview Committee

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Meeting Date	Item	Scope	Directorate & Lead Officer
22 May 2023	Annual Asset Disposal Strategy		
	Waste & Street Cleansing Contract		
	Month 11 2023-23 FPM Report		
6 June 2023	Executive Mayor of Croydon – Scrutiny Update	The Mayor to provide an overview of his key achievements over the past year and outline his priorities for the year ahead to include: - <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - How they will be delivered - The main risks to delivery and how these are being managed. 	Assistant Chief Executive Directorate David Courcoux
	Scrutiny Work Programme & Annual Report	The Committee to agree the work programme for itself and its Sub-Committees for the year ahead and agree the Scrutiny Annual Report for submission to Council.	Resources Simon Trevaskis
25 July 2023	Month 2 2023-24 FPM Report	This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget.	Allister Bannin Resources

	Equalities Strategy	Pre-decision discussion on the principles for the forthcoming refresh of the Council's Equalities Strategy.	David Courcoux Assistant Chief Executive
26 September 2023	People & Cultural Transformation Strategy	The Committee has requested to review the action plan created to guide the delivery of the Strategy, along with the performance measures that will be used to determine the success of the strategy. The report will also include a specific focus on measures to improve recruitment and retention at the Council.	Dean Shoemith Assistant Chief Executive
	Mayor Business Plan 2022-26 quarterly performance report	This report is provided for the Committee to review and comment upon the proposed performance indicators to be used to monitor the delivery of the Mayor's Business Plan.	Caroline Bruce Assistant Chief Executive
	P3 financial performance report	This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget.	Allister Bannin Resources
6 October 2023	The Colonnades, 619 Purley Way, Croydon, CR0 4RQ - Asset Disposal	To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on the asset disposal decision.	Huw Rhys-Lewis Resources
24 October 2023	Annual Complaints Report	The Committee will be presented with the Annual Complaints report for the Council for its information	Kim Hyland Assistant Chief Executive
	The Redevelopment of Purley High Street Carpark and Leisure Centre	To consider the Cabinet report on the Redevelopment of Purley High Street Carpark and Leisure Centre	Huw Rhys-Lewis Resources

	MTFS & Budget Proposals	To scrutinise the updated MTFS and Budget Proposals of the Administration, as set out in 25 October 2023 Cabinet report.	Jane West Resources
	P4 financial performance report	This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget.	Allister Bannin Resources
21 November 2023	Exit Strategy	To consider the Improvement & Assurance Panel's Exit Strategy for Croydon	Katherine Kerswell Chief Executive
	Crime & Disorder Item	To review the Community Safety Strategic Assessment	Christopher Rowney SCRE
	Disposals- second tranche	To scrutinise the updated MTFS and Budget Proposals of the Administration, as set out in 25 October 2023 Cabinet report.	Huw Rhys-Lewis Resources
	P5 financial performance report	This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget.	Allister Bannin Resources
16 January 2024	Budget Setting Update	To receive a presentation from the S151 Officer on the progress made with setting the 2024-25 Budget.	Jane West Resources
	Capital Programme & Capital Strategy	To review the capital programme and capital strategy as part of the budget scrutiny process.	Allister Bannin Resources
	Quarterly Procurement Plan Update	To review the latest quarterly procurement plan update.	Scott Funnell Resources

	P7 financial performance report	This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget.	Allister Bannin Resources
6 February 2024	Final Budget Scrutiny Session	To review the final Budget Report ahead of finalising Scrutiny's views on the budget proposals.	Jane West Resources
	P8 financial performance report	This report is provided for the Committee to seek assurance on the delivery of 2023-24 budget.	Allister Bannin Resources
22 April 2024	Contracts & Procurement	A review learning lessons from previous Council contracts.	
	Customer Service Journey	To review the customer journey through across the Council	
	Community & Voluntary Sector	To review the progress made with resetting the Council's relationship with the Community & Voluntary Sector.	

Items of Interest

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but are highlighted areas of further scrutiny during the year ahead.

Unallocated Items	Notes
Climate Change Scrutiny	
Town Centre	To review plans for the town centre
Electoral Administration	To review plans for the delivery of 2024 London Mayoral Elections

Crime & Disorder Item	To review the Community Safety Strategic Assessment
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Children & Young People Sub-Committee

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Meeting Date	Item	Scope	Directorate & Lead Officer
27 June 2023	Update on Antenatal and Health Visiting Visits	To receive an update on Antenatal and Health Visiting.	Children, Young People, Education and Health Jane McAllister
	Cabinet Report - Maintained Nursery Schools Report	To receive the upcoming June Cabinet Report outlining the current position in relation to Croydon's Maintained Nursery Schools and options for the future provision of this in Croydon. The report sets out why this is required as a result of decreasing funding for Maintained Nursery Schools (MNS) and the impact that this is having on the budget situation for all of the Council's MNS settings.	Children, Young People, Education and Health Shelley Davies
10 October 2023	Youth Justice Plan 23/24	To scrutinise the Council's statutory Youth Justice Plan for 2023/24.	Children, Young People & Education Róisín Madden
	Youth Safety Delivery Plan	To scrutinise the Cabinet report scheduled for September 2023, looking at the Council's work over the previous 12 month period to deliver on the Mayor's commitment to making Croydon's streets safer for young people,	Children, Young People & Education

		the plan for the next three years of action, and the commitments to partnership working with the voluntary sector and community to tackle violence.	Debbie Jones
14 November 2023	Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership - Annual Report 2022-23	<p>The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to: -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Note the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report 2022-2023 2. Consider whether there are any considerations or concerns it may wish to submit to the Cabinet as to whether the Annual Report provides sufficient reassurance on the performance and effectiveness of the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership. 3. Consider whether the Sub-Committee has any comments or suggestions on the Croydon Safeguarding Children Partnership Annual Report 2023-2024 ahead of its development in the following year. 	<p>Children, Young People & Education</p> <p>Debbie Jones</p>
23 January 2024	Budget Scrutiny Challenge	<p>The Children & Young People Sub-Committee is asked to review the information provided on identified budget proposals (2024-28 SAV CYPE 003, 2024-28 SAV CYPE 001) and reach a conclusion on the following:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are the savings deliverable, sustainable and not an unacceptable risk. 2. Is the impact on service users and the wider community understood. 3. Have all reasonable alternative options been explored and do no better options exist. 	<p>Children, Young People & Education</p> <p>Debbie Jones</p>

	Cabinet Report - Education Estates Strategy	For the Sub-Committee to consider whether there are any considerations or concerns it may wish to submit to the Cabinet during its consideration of the Strategy.	Children, Young People & Education Shelley Davies
19 March 2024	Update on Antenatal and Health Visiting Visits	To receive an update on Antenatal and Health Visiting.	Children, Young People, Education and Health Jane McAllister
	Cabinet Report - Education Standards 2023	For the Sub-Committee to receive the summarised performance of children and young people in Croydon schools for the academic year 22/23.	Children, Young People & Education Shelley Davies

Standing Items:

Early Help, Children's Social Care and Education Dashboard & Health Visiting KPI Data - To receive the Early Help, Children's Social Care and Education Dashboard and quarterly Health Visiting KPI Data.

Items of Interest

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Unallocated Items	Notes
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Recruitment and Retention	<p>To review Staff Caseloads, AYSE Caseload Sharing and the number of supervisions carried out.</p> <p>To receive a breakdown of vacancies and caseloads by individual teams and to look at London Councils best practise for recruitment and retention.</p> <p>To undertake direct engagement with social workers</p> <p>To look at how feedback from exit interviews can be incorporated into retention strategies</p>
Apprenticeships & Youth Unemployment	To look at the offer of available apprenticeships in the borough and data on youth unemployment.
OFSTED Reports	To review any OFSTED reports as and when they are available.
Delivery of Early Years Strategy	To review the delivery and implementation plan of the Early Years Strategy
SEND Strategy	To review the implementation of the SEND Strategy
Surplus Schools Places	To review the Surplus Schools Places report
Free School Meal offer in Croydon	To scrutinise the provision of free school meals in the borough through the Mayor of London scheme.
Cabinet Report – Maintained Nursery Schools	To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on the next Cabinet Report on Maintained Nursery Schools, following officers' consideration of sustainable future models.
Youth Justice Plan 24/25	To scrutinise the Council's statutory Youth Justice Plan for 2024/25.

Homes Sub-Committee

The below table sets out the working version of the Health & Social Care Sub-Committee work programme. The items have been scheduled following discussion with officers and may be subject to change depending on any new emerging priorities taking precedent.

Meeting Date	Item	Scope	Directorate & Lead Officer
24 July 2023	Housing Transformation Programme	To receive an update on the delivery of the Housing Transformation Programme	Lara Ashley
	Housing Strategy	Pre-Decision – To have an early discussion on the principles underlying the forthcoming Housing Strategy	Lara Ashley
	Mobilisation of the Responsive Repairs Contracts	To receive an update on the de-mobilisation/mobilisation of the response repair contracts.	Jerry Austin
23 October 2023	Update on the Development of the HRA Business Plan	To provide the Sub-Committee with the opportunity to comment on the principles underlying the development of the forthcoming Housing Revenue Account Business Plan. This will include an update on the Asset Management Strategy and rent increases	
	Residents Engagement Strategy	To provide the Sub-Committee with the opportunity to feed into the develop of the Residents Engagement Strategy.	
	Housing Strategy	To review the proposed Housing Strategy ahead of its consideration by Cabinet and Full Council.	

29 January 2024	HRA Business Plan & Budget 2023-24		
	Temporary/Emergency Accommodation Budget Deep Dive		
	Housing Finance Update	To receive financial update on the latest position of the Housing General Fund and Housing revenue Account budgets.	
16 April 2024	Consumer Regulation		
	Review of the Culture Change	To review the culture change workstreams within the Housing Transformation Programme.	
	Housing Finance Update	To receive financial update on the latest position of the Housing General Fund and Housing revenue Account budgets.	

Areas to schedule

The following items haven't been scheduled into the work programme but have been previously identified as areas of scrutiny to be scheduled during the year ahead.

Unallocated Items	Notes
Regina Road	
Update on the implementation of NEC system	Potential briefing
Update on savings delivery	Standard item on each agenda.

Health & Social Care Sub-Committee

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Meeting Date	Item	Scope	Directorate & Lead Officer
20 June 2023	Front Runner Pilot Scheme	The Health & Social Care Sub-Committee is presented with a report on the Discharge Integration Frontrunner programme, which aims to bring together transformation efforts from across Croydon to develop an effective, integrated system across hospital, social and community care.	Adults Richard Eyre
	HSC Work Programme	To discuss areas of scrutiny for inclusion in the Sub-Committee work programme in 2023-24	
3 October 2023	Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board – Annual Report	To review and comment upon the Croydon Safeguarding Adults Board annual report ahead of its consideration by the Mayor in Cabinet	Adult Safeguarding Denise Snow
	Transformation Update	To receive an update on the delivery of the three-year transformation programme in Adult Social Care.	Adults Richard Eyre
30 January 2024	ASC Budget deep-dive	The Health and Social Care Sub-Committee is asked to review the information provided on budget proposals.	Adults Richard Eyre
	ASC Transformation	Discussion on the new Transformation Programme <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How do we transition from the existing operational model to the new one? 	

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How the programme fits into the budget? • Update on the procurement of the delivery partner. 	
12 March 2024	CQC Assurance	To receive an update on the CQC Assurance process.	Adults Richard Eyre

Areas to schedule

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Unallocated Items	Notes
A review of the cost of out of borough placements	Arising from the discussion on mental health provision in the borough
Commissioning for Community Sexual Health Services	To feed into the commissioning process of community sexual health services by the Public Health team.
Dementia Strategy	
CAMHS & SLAM	A review of the mental health services available for young people focusing on the transition between services.
Menopausal Health Services	To review the availability of menopausal services in the borough
Integrated Care System	To review the impact of the new ICS approach to services in the borough.

Dental Services	To review the provision of dental services in the borough.
Prostate Cancer Services	

Streets & Environment

The below table sets out the working version of the Streets & Environment Sub-Committee work programme.

Meeting Date	Item	Scope	Directorate & Lead Officer
11 July 2023	Pre-Decision: Parking Policy Transformation Project	To conduct pre-decision scrutiny on the upcoming Cabinet report covering the Parking Policy Transformation Project.	Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Steve Iles
	Consultation on the Local Flood Risk Management Strategy	To receive a presentation on the forthcoming consultation on updating the Council's Flood Risk Plan, so that the Sub-Committee can provide feedback and input into its development.	Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd
1 November 2023	Air Quality Action Plan 2023-2028	To receive a presentation on the Council's Air Quality Action Plan 2023-2028 to allow the Sub-Committee to provide early feedback in advance of the full report to Cabinet in December 2023.	Sustainable Communities

			Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd
	Cleaner Croydon	To receive an update on the Council's work on the Mayor's priority for delivering 'Cleaner Croydon'. The Sub-Committee will also receive feedback on its recommendations concerning the Waste & Recycling Contract.	Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Karen Agbabiaka
	Local Plan Review	For the Sub-Committee to receive a detailed presentation on the review of the Local Plan 2023/24, to facilitate Members to influence the content of the Local Plan Review ahead of its journey on to Cabinet and Council.	Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Steve Dennington
30 January 2024	Budget Scrutiny Challenge	<p>The Sub-Committee is asked to review the information provided on three budget proposals (identified below) and reach a conclusion on the following:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are the savings/growth deliverable, sustainable and not an unacceptable risk. 2. Is the impact on service users and the wider community understood. 3. Have all reasonable alternative options been explored and do no better options exist. 	Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Nick Hibberd

		<p>Areas for deep dives in the above report:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2024-28 SAV SCRER 002 - Fees and charges - Changes to parking policy – (<i>Information on process being followed to achieve these savings</i>) • 2024-28 GRO SCRER 003 - SEND Transport – Student Number Cost Driver • 2024-28 SAV SCRER 006 - Deferral of growth in highways maintenance 	
	Local Development Scheme and Infrastructure Funding Statement	To scrutinise any outstanding Local Plan issues not covered in the November Sub-Committee, the Local Development Scheme and Infrastructure Funding Statement.	<p>Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery</p> <p>Heather Cheesbrough, Steve Dennington</p>
2 April 2024	Climate Change Action Plan	To review and provide feedback on the Council’s Climate Action Plan & Biodiversity Strategy	<p>Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery</p> <p>Nick Hibberd</p>

	Waste contract procurement award- May 2024	To scrutinise the Waste contract procurement award.	Sustainable Communities Regeneration & Economic Recovery Karen Agbabiaka
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Standing Items:

Work Programme Item	Notes
Financial Monitoring for SCRER	Standing Item tracking progress with the delivery of 2023/24 Budget using the latest Cabinet Financial Performance report (To review by exception).

Items of Interest

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Unallocated Items	Scrutiny Officer Notes
Environment Bill Responsibilities	To review the additional responsibilities that will fall upon the Council following the adoption of the Environment Bill.
Implications of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill	To review the possible implications of the Levelling Up and Regeneration Bill
Protection of green spaces and parks	To look at the protection of parks and green spaces in the borough, including the support fund and Council strategy.

Clean Water and Sewage (Thames Water)	To look at the water quality in the borough and the risks of contamination from sewerage.
Public Transport, Active Transport, Road Safety & School Streets	To look at the strategy for Transport, Active Transport, Healthy Streets & School Streets in the borough, alongside Road Fatalities & Speed Limits
Transformation of Independent Travel	To review the transformation of the Independent Travel Service – End of 2023/24.
Climate Action Plan/Vision Zero	To scrutinise the Council's plans around Climate Change and achieving Vision Zero.
Enforcement Policy & Planning Enforcement (Provisional June 2024)	To inform the Sub-Committee on the Enforcement powers available to the Council, as well as information on how enforcement is being undertaken and resourced.
Bus Shelters & Street Lighting	Further scoping needed
Cleaner Croydon/Blitz Clean Update	To receive an update on work towards achieving the Mayor's priority for delivering 'Cleaner Croydon', and to monitor whether the blitz clean programme was successful and having a sustained impact on district centres, alongside data on the number of businesses and residents engaged during the cleans.
(January) Cabinet Report - Building Control Transformation Report	To scrutinise the upcoming Cabinet Report on Building Control Transformation, following the Sub-Committee's deep dive on the Building Control budget in January 2023, and to examine whether the department is operationally resilient, but also financially viable, sustainable, and efficient.
(February) Cabinet Report – Future of Experimental Healthy Neighbourhoods	To receive and scrutinise the Cabinet report on the future Experimental Healthy Neighbourhood schemes, alongside a short update on Cycle Lanes & Schools Streets.

(plus short update on Cycle Lanes & Schools Streets)	
(January) Cabinet Report - Croydon Town Centre Regeneration Programme and Growth Zone annual budget and programme FY 24/25	For the Sub-Committee to receive the report updating Members on the status of the current and upcoming Croydon Town Centre regeneration programme, and to scrutinise the proposed annual Growth Zone budget and high-level programme for 2024/25 and evaluate whether this will achieve the required additional funding to positively contribute to the Council's financial position.
Update on Air Quality Action Plan	To receive an update on the Air Quality Action Plan considered by the Sub-Committee in November 2023.