

Overview & Scrutiny

Governance and Resources Scrutiny Commission (as at 25 July 2014)

Rolling Work Programme July 2014 – March 2015¹

All meetings take place at 7.00 pm in Hackney Town Hall unless stated otherwise on the agenda. This rolling work programme report is updated and published on the agenda for each meeting of the Commission.

Dates	Proposed Item	Directorate and officer contact	Comment and Action
Mon 14 July 2014 Papers deadline: Thu 3 July	Election of Chair and Vice Chair	Chief Executive's	First meeting of newly elected Commission.
	Introduction to G&R	O&S Officer	To note.
	ICT Review	Finance and Resources (Christine Peacock)	To agree final report. Changes requested at April meeting.
	London Living Wage investigation	Chief Executive's	To note Commission's letter to Cabinet Member for Finance on outcome of this investigation
	Finance update	Finance and Resources (Ian Williams)	Briefing on the budget scrutiny process and update on General Fund savings 2011/12-2013/14.
	Work Programme Discussion		To agree a review topic and topics for one-off items for the year.

¹ Please note there will be no Commission meetings in April 2015 because of the General Election purdah period.

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Mon 8 Sept 2014 Papers deadline: Thu 28 August	'Public Spend' review – expert briefing	OPM - Sue Goss and Independent Consultant - John Atkinson	Briefing on 'Total Place' to begin scoping of review on 'Public Spend'
	'Public Spend' review – Methodology of Approach to Mapping Total Spend	O&S Team (Tracey Anderson)	Information on the methods of approach used to map total spend
	Impact of welfare reforms on local residents	Finance & Resources (Kay Brown and Jennifer Wynter)	Continuing regular updates on how the Council is responding to local impact of welfare reforms. Joint with CSSI members following up on their own review. ² Both Commissions collaborating.
Mon 13 Oct 2014 Papers deadline: Thu 2 Oct	'Public Spend' review – evidence gathering session	Finance and Resources	Information presented on total public spend in the Borough
	Complaints Service – annual report	Chief Execs Office (Bruce Devile)	Annual report of the Council's complaints service
	Council Governance – scrutiny inquiry	Mayor's Office (Ben Bradley)	Response to additional recommendation from April (proposal for an annual Full Council work programme planning meeting)
	'Public Spend' review – Terms of Reference '	O&S Team (Tracey Anderson)	To agree terms of reference

² G&R received update in Dec 2013. CSSI received update April 2014 and is due to receive another in March 2015.

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Mon 10 Nov 2014 Papers deadline: Thu 30 Oct	'Public spend' review – evidence gathering session 3	Lewisham Council	Information about the Lewisham, Lambeth and Southwark Community Budget Programme
	Policy Update – Long Term Unemployment	Chief Executive – Corporate Policy	Information about long term unemployment in Hackney
Mon 8 Dec 2014 Papers deadline: Thu 27 Nov	'Public spend' review – evidence gathering session 4		Evidence gathering session 4
	Cabinet Question Time with Cllr Taylor (Cabinet Member for Finance) TBC	Cllr Taylor and Ian Williams	Cabinet Question Time is now carried out by individual Commissions. Cllr Taylor has lead responsibility for revenues and benefits, audit, procurement, pensions, and customer services.
Mon 19 Jan 2015 Papers deadline: Thu 8 Jan	Finance update	Finance & Resources (Ian Williams)	Budget and Finance update
	'Public spend' review – recommendations discussion	O&S Team (Tracey Anderson)	Recommendations discussion
Mon 9 Feb 2015 Papers deadline: Thu 29 Jan	Finance update	Finance & Resources (Ian Williams)	Budget and Finance update
	'Public spend' review – agree report	O&S Team (Tracey Anderson)	To agree report

Dates	Proposed Item	Directorate and officer contact	Comment and Action
	'Whole person services' review	O&S Team (Tracey Anderson)	Draft Terms of Reference.
Mon 16 Mar 2015 Papers deadline: Thu 5 March No mtg in April due to general election purdah	'Whole person services' review – evidence gathering session 1	tbc	Evidence gathering session 1
	Work programme for 2015/16 discussion		Discussion on topics for work programme for 2015/16.

The following are also to be scheduled:

- Public Participation* – full review to commence June 2015
- The Future Public Servant* – full review to commence Jan 2016
- Technology and Innovation* – full review of Task & Finish
- Capital Strategy* – full review
- Fees and Charges* – revisit implementation of recs of previous review
- Council Tax Reduction Scheme* – one off item
- Big Data* – major review
- Full Council* – implementation of recs from previous review – one off