

Working in Hackney Scrutiny Commission

Suggestions for WiH Work Programme for 2018/19

This list is a compilation of suggestions and comments from Councillors, stakeholders, officers and the Executive.

Working in Hackney Scrutiny areas		
Suggestion	Suggestion from	Description of item
Inequalities in work	Topic from previous work programme not covered in 2017/18.	(The focus of the topic needs to be defined).
Council leasing and LLW / local labour.	Ian Williams	Update on this items will be provided at the meeting
ICT and Digital - local labour / different ways of working.	Ian Williams	Update on this items will be provided at the meeting
Cost of living and ability to fill key roles in public sector.	Ian Williams	Update on this items will be provided at the meeting
Sustainable procurement policy - Council is developing	Ian Williams and Commission	Review of the Council's Sustainable Procurement Strategy including approach to outsourcing / insourcing.
How the council carries out reviews of contracted services.	Cllr Rennison	Delivering the manifesto commitment to review contracted services as these come up with a view to bringing these in house where possible.
Transport infrastructure – stations like Clapton, Hackney Downs modernisation to take increased flow of people into the borough and using the station	Consultation log	Last year the Commission raised concern about the significant growth in terms of the interchanges at stations like Clapton and Hackney Downs - by almost 3 million

		<p>people a year and the impact this could have on employment growth in the borough.</p> <p>Following investment to improve the railway connectivity in the borough. The Council was expecting further investment by TfL as soon as the stations became connected. The Council expected 2 things:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) That the station infrastructure would grow and expand and increase its capacity b) That developments would start to happen around the stations.
TFL changes to bus routes in Hackney	Commission / Chair	Transport for London does not properly consult on reductions in frequency of bus routes but the Council understands that further cuts are to be introduced this year.
Stoke Newington Gyrotory - Stage Two	Consultation log	Consultation on removal of Stoke Newington one-way system. This will be led by TfL with the Council's input. TfL are undertaking further modelling work and will be consulting on one proposed option.
Crossrail 2	Commission / Chair	Update on the progress and development
Gambling Policy 2019-2022 Consultation	Consultation log	Update on the consultation
Britannia leisure centre development – provisions, impact on local community	Chair/ Commission /	This is a large scale mixed development

	Consultation log	
Hackney Council Voluntary and Community Sector strategy	Officer request to add to work programme	New strategy in development
Hackney Council Advice Services Review	Cllr Rennison and Cllr Patrick	Update to Scrutiny about its aims, principles and work to date. Timeline for update is anticipated to be October 2018
An analysis of which specific groups are most underrepresented in the Tech City workforce.	Cllr Williams / Stephen Haynes / Sonia Khan / Suzanne Johnson / Paul Horobin/ Andrew Munk	This could include a particular focus on underrepresentation in STEM sectors – a key area of ongoing growth in Tech City, as well as the London and UK economy more widely
An analysis of the particular concerns and interests of businesses in Tech City – with a focus on STEM businesses	Cllr Williams / Stephen Haynes / Sonia Khan / Suzanne Johnson / Paul Horobin/ Andrew Munk	The objective is aimed at understanding how the business community could be better connected with the local community
A detailed analysis – both quantitative and qualitative – of barriers facing residents from various equalities groups (age, gender, class, disabilities) to access opportunities in Tech City	Cllr Williams / Stephen Haynes / Sonia Khan / Suzanne Johnson / Paul Horobin/ Andrew Munk	The Commission to explore best practice from elsewhere in London and nationally/internationally with a focus to understand the barriers that equality groups have in accessing economic growth opportunities - around how to best connect areas of high economic growth and new emerging job sectors, with areas of high deprivation but with a specific case study featuring a growth sector and growth area e.g. Tech City and Hoxton residents.
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<p>A look into practical solutions and methods specifically relevant to Shoreditch and its local economy - including securing local jobs via s106 obligations and development agreements</p>	<p>Cllr Williams / Stephen Haynes / Sonia Khan / Suzanne Johnson / Paul Horobin/ Andrew Munk</p>	
<p>Business engagement event - with BME businesses - July 2018</p> <p>In relation to the set-up of business forums and how they support SMEs in a meaningful way.</p>	<p>Cllr Coban</p>	<p>Chair is proposing to hold an engagement with business owners from BME communities in July 2018</p>
<p>Brexit and the Council's engagement with businesses - risks and mitigating impact</p> <p>How we can use the uncertainty of Brexit to encourage businesses to invest more into local training and education for our younger residents, as they are likely to be quite concerned about the loss of European workforce. This potentially can be an opportunity to encourage the larger businesses to do more, in terms of training and development with underrepresented communities.</p>	<p>Cllr Coban and Cllr Gordon (SP Chair)</p>	