

Maidstone Borough Council
Scrutiny Coordinating Committee

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Future Work Programme

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1. Introduction

- 1.1 To consider topics for inclusion in the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee's work programme for the 2013/14 Municipal Year.

2. Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee consider its future work programme, attached at **Appendix A**, and suggests items for consideration at future meetings.

3. Background to recommendation

- 3.1 The Scrutiny Coordinating Committee is a Committee consisting of the Chairmen and Vice Chairmen of the four Overview and Scrutiny Committees. It will meet from time to time to consider matters relating to the conduct, performance and procedures of the Committees; to develop mechanisms for addressing cross-cutting issues; and to prevent duplication in the work of the individual committees.
- 3.2 The Coordinating Committee may wish to consider the support and development it could offer the four Scrutiny Committees at each meeting by structuring its own work programme.
- 3.3 The Coordinating Committee, in its report to Council on the Cabinet and Enhance Scrutiny Model made the following recommendation:
- 'That the Scrutiny Coordinating Committee meet quarterly and monitor Overview and Scrutiny Committee recommendations as part of its role.'**
- 3.4 The Committee may wish to revisit some, or all, of the recommendations in this report to ensure the new scrutiny model is establishing itself as intended. The recommendations, approved by Council in April 2013, are attached at **Appendix B**.

4. Impact on Corporate Objectives

- 4.1 The Committee will primarily consider reports that deliver against all the Council's priorities: For Maidstone to have a growing

economy, For Maidstone to be a decent place to live and Corporate and Customer Excellence.

- 4.2 The Strategic Plan sets the Council's key objectives for the medium term and has a range of objectives which support the delivery of the Council's priorities. Actions to deliver these key objectives may therefore include work that the Committee will consider throughout the coming year.

5. Background Papers

- 5.1 None.