Agenda Item No: 11

GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE AGENDA PLAN

To: General Purposes Committee

Meeting Date: 20 May 2014

From: Democratic Services

Electoral division(s):

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Forward Plan ref: Not applicable Key decision: No

Purpose: 1) To present the agenda plan for the General Purposes Committee.

- 2) To report two suggestions from the outgoing Overview and Scrutiny Committees:
 - The Resources & Performance Overview & Scrutiny
 Committee suggested that the Committee may wish to
 request further reports on Zero Hours contracts, which
 was the subject of a Member Led Review. The Review
 Chairman presented a report to Cabinet in April 2014,
 and all the recommendations from the Review were fully
 or partly accepted, with various actions agreed which
 have implications across the Council e.g. the
 development of a policy on how the Council manages
 and uses zero hours contract staff.
 - The Safer and Stronger Communities Overview & Scrutiny Committee suggested that the Committee may wish to continue its work on Reducing Reoffending. This cross-cutting area of work was the subject of a Member Led Review, which presented a report which was positively received by Cabinet in April 2014.
- 3) To consider a request from the Audit and Accounts Committee.

The Audit and Accounts Committee at its meeting on 28th January 2014 recommended that each new service committee should consider whether they would wish to undertake a review of two previously completed projects within their terms of reference remit, to confirm that they were satisfied that value for money had been achieved.

4) To discuss the working arrangements of the Committee going forward.

Recommendation:

Members are invited to review the future work programme and to notify officers of any additional items they would like the Committee to consider. The timing of and approach to these items will need to take into account the resources available to support the Committee.

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