

DECISION-MAKER:	OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE		
SUBJECT:	FORWARD PLAN		
DATE OF DECISION:	13 th MARCH 2014		
REPORT OF:	ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE		
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STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

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BRIEF SUMMARY

This item enables the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee to examine the content of the Forward Plan and to discuss issues of interest or concern with the Executive to ensure that forthcoming decisions made by the Executive benefit local residents.

RECOMMENDATION:

- (i) That the Committee discuss the Forward Plan items listed in paragraph 3 of the report to highlight any matters which Members feel should be taken into account by the Executive when reaching a decision.

REASON FOR REPORT RECOMMENDATIONS

1. To enable Members to identify any matters which they feel the Cabinet should take into account when reaching a decision.

ALTERNATIVE OPTIONS CONSIDERED AND REJECTED

2. None.

DETAIL (Including consultation carried out)

3. The Forward Plan for the period March 2014 – June 2014 has been circulated to members of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Committee. The following issues were identified for discussion with the Decision Maker:

Portfolio	Decision	Requested By
Health and Adult Social Care	Past practice in assessing contributions for adult social care non residential care	Cllr Vinson
Housing and Sustainability	Proposed Changes to the Housing Allocations Policy	Cllr Moulton

4. Briefing papers responding to the Forward Plan item identified by members of the Committee are appended to this report. Members are invited to use the papers to explore the issues with the decision maker.

RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

Capital/Revenue

5. The details for the items on the Forward Plan will be set out in the Executive decision making report issued prior to the decision being taken.

Property/Other

6. The details for the items on the Forward Plan will be set out in the Executive decision making report issued prior to the decision being taken.

LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

Statutory power to undertake proposals in the report:

7. The details for the items on the Forward Plan will be set out in the Executive decision making report issued prior to the decision being taken.
8. The duty to undertake overview and scrutiny is set out in Part 1A Section 9 of the Local Government Act 2000.

Other Legal Implications:

9. None

POLICY FRAMEWORK IMPLICATIONS

10. The details for the items on the Forward Plan will be set out in the Executive decision making report issued prior to the decision being taken.

KEY DECISION? No

WARDS/COMMUNITIES AFFECTED:	None directly as a result of this report
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SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Appendices

1.	8 a Briefing paper detailing the issues relating to the forthcoming confidential cabinet decision "Past Practice in Assessing Contributions for Adult Social Care Non Residential Care", attached.
2.	8 b Briefing Paper – Proposed Changes to the Housing Allocations Policy

Documents In Members' Rooms

1.	None
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Equality Impact Assessment

Do the implications/subject of the report require an Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) to be carried out.	Dependent upon forward plan item
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Other Background Documents

Equality Impact Assessment and Other Background documents available for inspection at:

Title of Background Paper(s)	Relevant Paragraph of the Access to Information Procedure Rules / Schedule 12A allowing document to be Exempt/Confidential (if applicable)
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1.	None	
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