



Staffordshire  
County Council

## Communities, Crime and Culture Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2011/12

This leaflet sets out the work programme for the Communities, Crime and Culture Scrutiny Committee for 2011/12.

We are responsible for scrutinising the achievement against the Council's priority of where Staffordshire is a place where people can live safely - increasingly free from crime, the causes of crime and the fear of crime. As part of this responsibility the Committee will be the Council's designated Crime and Disorder Committee. We are responsible for scrutinising:

- Partnerships including the voluntary sector
- Community Safety and Crime and Disorder
- Libraries/ Archives/Arts
- Community engagement, democratic renewal and social cohesion
- Staffordshire Young People's Service
- Leisure, Cultural and Sports facilities

We review our work programme regularly. Sometimes we change it - if something comes up during the year that we think we should investigate as a priority. Our work results in recommendations for the County Council and other organisations about how what they do can be improved, for the benefit of the people and communities of Staffordshire.

### **Councillor Simon Tagg**

Chairman of the Communities, Crime and Culture Scrutiny Committee

If you would like to know more about our work programme, please get in touch with Tina Randall, Scrutiny and Support Manager on 01785 276148 or [tina.randall@staffordshire.gov.uk](mailto:tina.randall@staffordshire.gov.uk)

Item	Date of meeting when the item is due to be considered	Details	Action/Outcome
Accountability Sessions	11 October 2011 Crime 8 November 2011 - Communities and Culture	The Committee will review progress towards achieving the outcomes set out in the relevant County Council business plans	
Community Engagement Framework (to include work commissioned from Westco)	16 August 2011	Members to consider progress made with Framework and to comment on and participate in a Member guidance and support project (Member role in community engagement)	
Impact of Total Staffordshire including Blake and Alcohol Projects (locality working)	16 August 2011 (initial briefing)	The Committee will scrutinise progress with the Total Staffordshire pilots and particularly how the learning from these projects is applied more broadly to the objectives of the County Council and its partners	Cllr John Francis to observe Members board and provide written feedback. Further update January 2012.
Working with the third sector  Third sector Commissioning Improvement Programme  SCIO Annual Report	8 November 2011	The Committee to review commissioning with the third sector (specifically third sector commissioning standards.  The Committee will review the work of the Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent Consortium of Infrastructure Organisations (SCIO)	
Partnership Policy	20 December 2011	The Committee to scrutinise an updated and revised Partnerships Policy	
2012 Olympics	Presentation to all members post July 2012	Officers have identified this item as a potential scrutiny item.	
Shugborough	31 January 2012	Officers have identified this item as a potential scrutiny item.	Issue -How can financial deficit be reduced?
Volunteering and Volunteer Staffordshire		The previous Communities Committee had an outstanding item on its Work Programme to consider the impact of the activities being undertaken to increase volunteering. Working	TR to scope item

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		Group to consider volunteering in Staffordshire County Council using culture services as pilot area	
Domestic Violence Strategy	11 October 2011	Committee to consider draft Strategy	
Staffordshire Young People's Service	31 January 2011	Committee to scrutinise the future provision of youth services. (Youth Service Asset Management Review carried forward from the Communities Scrutiny Work Programme has been picked up by the Strategic Property Board)	
Drugs and Alcohol		<p>The Communities Scrutiny Committee had an outstanding item on their Work Programme from last year in relation to consideration of the development of a Quality Assessment Framework for judging action on drugs and alcohol in regard to young people.</p> <p>The Drug and Alcohol Strategy 2010-15 to Cabinet May 2011.</p> <p>Members of this Committee have highlighted education and awareness raising in schools, community safety implications and replicating the Burton Addiction Centre model of abstinence throughout Staffordshire as areas of interest.</p>	
Crime and Disorder Committee and Community Safety Partnerships (CSPs) – Police Commissioner arrangements and introduction of the Police and Crime Commissioner.	Update 11 October 2011 Full report 13 March 2012	Members to consider how they might become involved in policy development. The committee is the designated scrutiny committee to oversee the implementation of the Police and Crime Commissioners	

<b>Membership</b>	<b>Calendar of Committee Meetings</b>
<b>County Councillors</b>	
Paul Atkins Ron Clarke John Francis Bob Fraser Gill Heath Mark Heenan Derek Huckfield Kathy Lamb Michael Oates John Rowley Simon Tagg (Chairman) Steve Tranter (Vice-Chairman)	5 July 2011 16 August 2011 27 September 2011 8 November 2011 (2.00 pm) 20 December 2011 31 January 2012 13 March 2012 (2.00 pm) 24 April 2012 (2.00 pm) 12 June 2012 (2.00 pm)
<b>District/Borough Councillors</b>	
Elaine Baddeley (Staffordshire Moorlands) Tina Clements (Tamworth) Brian Cox (South Staffordshire) Ann Edgeller (Stafford) Colin Greatorex (Lichfield) Colin Whittaker (East Staffordshire) David Loades (Newcastle under Lyme) John Kraujalis (Cannock)	Meetings usually take place at County Buildings, Martin Street, Stafford ST16 2LH