

OSC TERMS OF REFERENCE 2017/18

1. Communities and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Terms of reference:

- (a) To maintain an overview of the Management Agreements in place between the County Council and Active Northumberland, Woodhorn Museum Charitable Trust and Northumberland Tourism.
- (b) To monitor, review and make recommendations about:
 - Development Planning
 - Neighbourhood Planning
 - Conservation
 - Housing
 - Climate Change
 - Countryside, Biodiversity and landscape quality
 - Waste Management and Energy Use
 - Public and community transport network and travel to school
 - Highway maintenance, Streetscape and the local environment
 - Local and Neighbourhood services
 - Crime, Community Safety, and fear of crime
 - Antisocial behaviour and domestic violence
 - Fire and rescue
 - Emergency services and Emergency planning
 - Customer Services
 - Provision of cultural and leisure facilities
 - Improving quality of life through access to culture and leisure;
 - Supporting economic growth in the arts, culture and leisure sectors

2. Corporate Services and Economic Growth Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Terms of reference:

- (a) To maintain an overview of the Council's Annual Budget and Budgetary Management via the Medium Term Financial Plan.
- (b) To review the state of Northumberland and the County Council's activity in delivering its Corporate Plan.
- (c) To maintain an overview of the Council's performance management arrangements; highlighting areas of poor performance and monitoring recovery delivery plans.

- (d) To maintain an overview of the Management Agreements in place between the Council and Arch (Northumberland Development Co).
- (e) To monitor, review and make recommendations about:
 - Corporate Services: Organisational Development, Health and Safety, ICT Strategy, Corporate Governance, Financial Services, Procurement Strategy, Risk Strategy, Shared and Traded Services;
 - Partnership development co-ordination with local organisations;
 - Relationships with external bodies;
 - Regeneration and Economic Development;
 - Strategic Transport Network and Infrastructure;
 - Employability, Skills, and removing barriers to work;
 - Capital Programme and Asset Management, and
 - Support to VCS organisations and the Council's relationship with town and parish councils

3. Family and Children's Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Terms of reference:

- (a) To monitor, review and make recommendations about:
 - Early Years
 - Education and Schools
 - Special education needs and disability
 - Adult and Community Education
 - Training and Vocational Education
 - Lifelong Learning
 - Youth Offending
 - Social Services for Children and Young People
 - Children's Health
 - Teenage Sexual Health
 - Looked After Children
 - Safeguarding - Children
 - Youth Services
 - Family Services
 - Children's Centres
- (b) To oversee and monitor school improvement, as follows:
 - (i) To receive feedback on the Ofsted inspection of schools.
 - (ii) To support the work of the County Council and the progress of schools on the School Intervention and Support Programme in specified categories.
 - (iii) To receive an annual report about the number of schools that have been on the School Intervention and Support Programme, the reason(s) for their inclusion, the support given by the Council and the success of this support.

- (iv) To receive an annual report on the performance of schools.

4. Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committees

Terms of reference:

To monitor, review and make recommendations about the following:

- (1) To promote well-being and reduce health inequality, particularly in supporting those people who feel more vulnerable or are at risk.
- (2) To discharge the functions conferred by section 21(f) of the Local Government Act 2000 of reviewing and scrutinising, in accordance with regulations under section 7 of the Health and Social Care Act 2001, matters relating to the planning, provision and operation of health services in Northumberland.
- (3) To take a holistic view of health in order to promote the social, environmental and economic well-being of local people.
- (4) To act as a consultee as required by the relevant regulations in respect of those matters on which local NHS bodies must consult the Committee.
- (5) To make reports and recommendations to local NHS bodies and the County Council on matters relating to the following services/issues in Northumberland:
 - (a) Adult Care and Social Services
 - (b) Mental Health and emotional wellbeing
 - (c) Financial inclusion and fuel poverty
 - (d) Welfare of vulnerable people
 - (e) Carers' wellbeing
 - (f) Independent living and supported housing
 - (g) Adult Health Services
 - (h) Healthy eating and physical activity
 - (i) Smoking cessation
 - (j) Alcohol and drugs misuse