PARTNER SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14

The work programme for the Partner Scrutiny Committee 2013/14 is shown on the following page/s. The programme is aimed at maintaining a strategic and co-ordinated work programme based on major areas of Council and partner organisations' activity.

The Scrutiny Support Officer has consulted with Councillors, Officers within the Council, and the public (through the Council's website).

The programme incorporates the routine, on-going work of Partner Scrutiny.

SUGGESTIONS FOR SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 2013/14

Request	Requested by	Reason/Purpose	Comments
Public Transport	**Councillor**	Trains/Bus with regards to the timetables, routes, and making it accessible for all including both younger and older people	Trains: There is already a East Lancs Railway East Lancashire Railway Trust Board of Management looking at railway links. Bus: Suggestion that a meeting be arranged with the Chairs of both Committees, Rossendale Transport, Cllr Hughes and Cllr Ashworth in relation to accessibility for young and older people.
Community/Patient Transport	**Councillor**	To look at affordability and availability of public/community/patient transport with particular reference to the elderly and disabled.	Further information to be gathered regarding Community Transport. In relation to Patient Transport, we could invite Lancashire Ambulance Service to a Partner Scrutiny Meeting in Sept to find out more about the service.

Have all footpaths been audited recently?	**Member of the public**	Perhaps this is something that needs looking into. Are we getting our share of funding for this and are we promoting walking in Rossendale? Having looked on the Rossendale Ramblers website, most of their walks are out of Rossendale.	A Task and Finish Group to be established.
Lack of road maintenance	**Member of the public**	Is Rossendale getting its fair share of funding from LCC.	A Task and Finish Group to be established.
Polling Districts and Stations to inform the Polling District Review.	**Officer**	The Review will run 1 October to approx 1 December.	A 'light touch' review to be undertaken but also ask the Elections Manager for a meeting prior to the review commencing
Dog Warden (already on the workplan)	**One Stop Shop**	Continuing concerns by public regarding stray dogs/dog fouling	Continue to monitor
Rogue Landlords	**Officer**	Working with Officers from numerous departments (HOT, EH, Benefits, Fraud)	Keep as a 'reserve' item. Time permitting
Housing – multi occupancy	**Officer**	Working with Officers from numerous departments (HOT, EH, Benefits)	Keep as a 'reserve' item. Time permitting
Taxis	**Members of the public**	Need to look at timescales – CRBs/taxi applications	Ask to review Licensing Policies at Corporate Scrutiny Meetings
Fear of Crime within Rossendale	**Anonymous**	Fear of Crime within Rossendale and need for quicker response times from Police – groups of youths gathering in streets	Monitor through Neighbourhood Forums/Annual meeting with the Police, with a view to undertaking a piece of work if required

PRESENTATION BY PARTNERS FOR 2013/14 (to be reviewed periodically and may be subject to changes)

Topic	Issue	Officer	Committee date/s
Presentations from other outside bodies/partners ie Health, Fire	The following will be presented to the Committee on 10th June 2013 - First Responders - HealthWatch	Brian Pickup Andrea Foster/Karen Derbyshire	June
Clinical Commissioning Group **Amublance Services**	To receive a presentation from the CCG following their first 6 months To receive a presentation on the service including Patient Transport	Dr P Williams	September September
Community Safety Partnership	Statutory responsibility to scrutinise the work of the Community Safety Partnership/new Police Commissioner	Chief Inspector	November
Leisure Development Update	Annual Review	Martin Kay/Christine Ashcroft	November.
Green Vale Homes	Annual Review	Ian Clarke	November
Capita	To receive an update on Performance	Andrew Buckle	March 2014
Rossendale Transport (confidential item)	Annual Review	Brian Juffs and Directors of Rossendale Transport	March 2014