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Report of the Head of Scrutiny and Member Development

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Subject: Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Work Programme

Electoral Wards Affected:	Specific Implications For:
	Equality and Diversity
	Community Cohesion
	Narrowing the Gap

1.0 INTRODUCTION

- 1.1 At the June meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee 'Direct Payments' was identified as a scrutiny review.
- 1.2 In addition a number of updates on previous Inquiries were requested. These have been detailed in the minutes of the June meeting and where appropriate appear in the attached work programme. Also since the last meeting a Committee Member has requested that Overview and Scrutiny undertakes an Inquiry into 'officer support for the group offices'.
- 1.3 Given that the Committee does not meet again until September, the Chair has suggested that to progress these Inquiries a working group is set up tasked with scoping the Inquiry terms of reference. It is anticipated that the first Inquiry will begin in September. The Board's current work programme is attached as Appendix 1.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 Members are asked to;
 - (i) Confirm the proposed Inquiry topics
 - (ii) establish a working group to draft the Inquiry terms of reference
 - (iii) Consider the Committee's work programme.