



COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

AGENDA

DATE:	Tuesday, 18 October 2022
TIME:	7.30 pm
VENUE:	Committee Room - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE

MEMBERSHIP:

Councillor Chittock (Chairman)
Councillor S Honeywood (Vice-Chairman)
Councillor Clifton
Councillor Codling
Councillor Davidson

Councillor King
Councillor Miles
Councillor Nash
Councillor Steady

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DATE OF PUBLICATION: Monday, 10 October 2022

AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence and Substitutions

The Committee is asked to note any apologies for absence and substitutions received from Members.

2 Minutes of the Last Meeting (Pages 1 - 6)

To confirm and sign as a correct record, the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee, held on Tuesday 28 June 2022.

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillors are invited to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Personal Interest, and the nature of it, in relation to any item on the agenda.

4 Questions on Notice pursuant to Council Procedure Rule 38

Subject to providing two working days' notice, a Member of the Committee may ask the Chairman of the Committee a question on any matter in relation to which the Council has powers or duties which affect the Tendring District **and** which falls within the terms of reference of the Committee.

5 Report of the Head of Democratic Services & Elections - A.1 - Work Programming - Including Monitoring of Previous Recommendations and Summary of Forthcoming Decisions (Pages 7 - 20)

The report provides the Committee with an update on its approved Work Programme for 2022/23 (including progress with enquiries set out in its Work Programme), feedback to the Committee on the decisions in respect of previous recommendations from the Committee in respect of enquiries undertaken and a list of forthcoming decisions for which notice has been given since publication of the agenda for the Committee's last meeting.

6 Report of the Portfolio Holder for Partnerships - A.2 - Dentistry Provision in Tendring (Pages 21 - 30)

To provide the Committee with a report regarding dentistry provision in the District, in particular NHS dentistry and what is provided within the NHS remit as well as information regarding dentistry in Tendring and the perceived lack of NHS provision. In particular there some are statistics regarding the number of dentists in Tendring and would like to discuss the importance of dentistry and its connection to other medical condition.

Date of the Next Scheduled Meeting

The next scheduled meeting of the Community Leadership Overview and Scrutiny Committee is to be held in the Committee Room - Town Hall, Station Road, Clacton-on-Sea, CO15 1SE at 7.30 pm on Tuesday, 31 January 2023.

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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND
SCRUTINY COMMITTEE,
HELD ON TUESDAY, 28TH JUNE, 2022 AT 7.30 PM
IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM - TOWN HALL, STATION ROAD, CLACTON-ON-SEA,
CO15 1SE**

Present:	Councillors Chittock (Chairman), S Honeywood (Vice-Chairman), Codling, Davidson, King, Miles, Nash and Steady
Also Present:	Councillor Paul Honeywood (Portfolio Holder for Housing)
In Attendance:	Keith Simmons (Head of Democratic Services and Elections), William Lodge (Communications Manager), Keith Durran (Committee Services Officer), Hattie Dawson-Dragisic (Performance and Business Support Officer) and Taylor Turner (Apprentice (Democratic Services & Elections))

6. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND SUBSTITUTIONS

An apology for absence was submitted by Councillor Paul Clifton (no substitution).

7. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

It was **RESOLVED** that the minutes of the meeting of the Committee held on Monday 9 May 2022 be approved as a correct record.

8. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Steady declared an interest in relation to the item on the agenda for this meeting in respect of the work programme (Minute 12 refers), as there were suggestions that an enquiry be undertaken in relation to the Council's Beach Hut Strategy, as he owned a Beach Hut and was a member of the Brightlingsea Beach Hut Association.

9. QUESTIONS ON NOTICE PURSUANT TO COUNCIL PROCEDURE RULE 38

On this occasion no Councillor had submitted notice of a question.

10. SCRUTINY OF PROPOSED DECISIONS

The Head of Democratic Services and Elections submitted to the Committee the list of forthcoming decisions published since the publication date of the agenda for its last Committee meeting. No Councillor had served notice that they wanted to raise an item in respect of any of those items.

It was **RESOLVED** to note the report.

11. RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING REPORT

The Committee was informed by the Head of Democratic Services and Elections that the recommendations agreed in their meeting on 21 March 2022 (Minute 53 refers), on

Children Missing from Education, had been submitted to Cabinet on 17 June 2022. The decision Cabinet made in response to the recommendations had been recorded in the report to this Committee. The Committee was also advised that the recommendations that were agreed in its meeting on 9 May 2022 in respect of Freeport East were also set out in the report together with the decision made by Cabinet on 17 June 2022 in response.

It was **RESOLVED** to note the report.

12. WORK PROGRAMME FOR 2022/23 AND REVIEW OF THE YEAR 2021/22

The Committee had before it a report of the Head of Democratic Services and Elections, which invited Members to consider a draft Work Programme for 2022/23 for recommendation to Council on 12 July 2022 and a review of the work that had been carried out in the Year 2021/22 in respect of Overview and Scrutiny.

The Committee was advised that, following Publication of the meeting's agenda and reports, an email had been received from Cllr Davidson, in respect of potential Work Programme Items. This had been circulated at the meeting. Councillor Davidson wished to add the following items for consideration for Work Programme items in 2022/23:

- *“Revisit home education. What progress has been made as to the governing and safeguarding?”*
- *Revisit climate change and progress made.*
- *Revisit Monitoring child poverty, deprivation and child life expectancy. What progress and policies have been put into place?*
- *Tending Homeless and the progress made.*
- *Housing stock/ social housing for larger families.”*

The Committee was further provided with a draft Annual Report in respect of the scrutiny function in 2022/23. This was circulated to the Committee at the meeting. It had been prepared in conjunction with the Chairmen of the two Overview and Scrutiny Committees of the Council. The Committee was advised that this report was a reflection of the last year of Scrutiny within this Committee and the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Committee was invited to comment on what it wanted to see reflected in the Annual Report and that this report would go to Full Council on 12 July 2022 (with the Work Programme).

In respect of the Work Programme 2022/23, the Head of Democratic Services and Elections advised the Committee that it had before them comments and suggestions by the public and various other stakeholders on what they would like to enquire into. Some of those thoughts included focusing on measure to regenerate Clacton Town Centre and looking back at health and education enquiries.

The process of developing the Work Programme for 2022/23 had involved;

- Requests to all District Councillors for items – dated 3 May 2022
- Requests to Cabinet Members – dated 3 May 2022
- Requests to Parish Town Councils for items – dated 3 May 2022
- A press release and social media posts inviting ideas on 4 May 2022

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- Council staff invited to suggest items on 13 May 2022
 - A meeting between the Leader, Deputy Leader, Chief Executive, Deputy Chief Executive, Head of Democratic Services and Elections and the two Overview and Scrutiny Committee Chairmen to explore ideas – held on 17 May 2022
 - Training on 25 May 2022 for Councillors on using approaches such as Task and Finish Groups, briefing papers, enquiry days, standing panels, when undertaking Overview and Scrutiny enquiries and reflecting this in its Work Programme.

The Committee's attention was drawn to the requirements of the Council's constitution in developing, and seeking approval for, its Work Programme proposals.

The Committee was directed to two suggestions for the work programme. The first picked up an enquiry that was set to be undertaken in 2021/22 in respect of the Jaywick Sands-holistic review. The Committee was reminded that this item was not pursued at the time because of the developing Jaywick Sands Place Plan. It was suggested by the Head of Democratic Services and Elections that now that the Place Plan for Jaywick Sands was underway and would be out for consultation, the Committee may wish to revisit this item. The other suggestion was an enquiry into the elements of the Tendring Colchester Border Garden Community. This picked up on concerns previously expressed that this should be scrutinised.

The Committee was advised to take notice to leave space within the Work Programme 2022/23 for any issues that arise during the year and (when setting its work programme) to consider the capacity to undertake a variety of areas for scrutiny in this year.

One option open to the Committee would be to submit to Council on 12 July 2022 initial the areas for scrutiny in 2022/23. Following that Council meeting the Committee could meet again (perhaps informally initially) in order to further identify areas for scrutiny taking into account of the suggestions submitted and others that may be made. The Head of Democratic Services and Elections suggested to the Committee that in order to review the suggestions that had been received there were discussions around creating a small working party in order to achieve this.

When the Committee does further prioritise enquiries for 2022/23, a member made reference to the acronym SWAM which meant that an enquiry should be specific, workable, achievable and meaningful.

The Committee considered the proposals for work programme items from stakeholders.

It was **RESOLVED**;

1. that an informal meeting of the Committee be arranged following the Council meeting on 12 July 2022 to further consider prioritisation of enquiries to be included in the 2022/23 Work Programme taking into account the suggestions of stakeholders including those from Councillor Davidson circulated at this meeting.
2. that the Head of Democratic Services and Elections be authorised, following consultation with the Chairman of this Committee and the Chairman of the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee, to finalise the Annual Report on the scrutiny function (in time to submit it Full Council on 12 July 2022). Members of the

Committee were invited to pass comments on the draft report to the Head of Democratic Services and Elections over the next few days.

It was **RESOLVED TO RECOMMEND** to **FULL COUNCIL** that:

1. The Work Programme set out at Appendix A to these Minutes be approved on the understanding that further enquiries would be added to these following further prioritisation by the Committee subsequent to the meeting of Council on 12 July 2022.
2. That the Annual Report 2021/22 on the scrutiny function, as finalised in accordance with the delegation from this Committee, be approved.

The meeting was declared closed at 8.00 pm

Chairman

**SCOPING DOCUMENT FOR ENQUIRIES BY COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AS PART OF ITS WORK
PROGRAMME 2022/23**

Item	Date of Enquiry	Relevant Corporate Plan Theme/Annual Cabinet Priority	Information to be provided in advance	Those to be invited to attend	Articulated value of undertaking the review
<p>Jaywick, social issues, crime and deprivation, housing.</p> <p>Private Sector Housing and rental build quality. Plus a look at the action to address health inequality through addressing housing conditions.</p>	<p>To be Allocated</p>	<p>Community Leadership Through Partnerships/Joined up public services for the benefit of our residents and businesses</p> <p>Building Sustainable Communities for the Future/B2 Jaywick Sands - more and better housing; supporting the community, B5 - Building and managing our own homes and Effective planning policies</p> <p>Delivering High Quality Services/A6 - Effective Regulation and Enforcement</p>	<p>The emerging Place Plan for Jaywick.</p> <p>Data around the current position as it relates to Jaywick by way of demographics, health inequalities, recorded crime, service provision and plans for the area.</p> <p>The Essex Levelling Up proposals for the area and how they seek to address issues in the locality</p>	<p>Cllr P Honeywood as Portfolio Holder with responsibility for Jaywick</p> <p>Corporate Director, Operations and Delivery, Interim Director for Planning and Assistant Director, Housing and Environment</p> <p>Representatives from Essex County Council, the Environment Agency, the Clinical Commissioning Group/Primary Care Network/ICP</p> <p>Representatives from Community Groups in Jaywick</p>	<p>To look holistically at the issues as they relate to Jaywick Sands and the measures in place to address those issues and encourage further working between partners to collaboratively take opportunities to improve the area for its residents.</p> <p>The enquiry may also be able to inform the emerging Place Plan for Jaywick</p>

Item	Date of Enquiry	Relevant Corporate Plan Theme/Annual Cabinet Priority	Information to be provided in advance	Those to be invited to attend	Articulated value of undertaking the review
<p>Progressing the proposals for development as part of Tendring-Colchester Border Garden Community</p> <p>Considering the emerging Development Plan Document for the Garden Community</p> <p>Opportunities for enhancing the Garden Community through links to the Freeport East project.</p> <p>Examining stewardship/governance of the Garden Community.</p> <p>Assessing risk and challenges for the District as a whole.</p>	<p>September-November 2022</p>	<p>Community Leadership Through Partnerships</p>	<p>The emerging Development Plan Document for the Garden Community.</p> <p>Responses to consultation with the public/stakeholders on the Development Plan Document.</p> <p>The plans of Essex County Council for roads and for the rapid transit arrangements.</p> <p>Relevant plans of the University of Essex.</p> <p>Plans of public service providers such as health, fire and police for provision in respect of the Garden Community.</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance</p> <p>The Chairman of the Tendring Colchester Borders Joint Committee and the other Members of the Committee.</p> <p>The Planning Portfolio Holder</p> <p>The Deputy Chief Executive, Interim Director for Planning and the Corporate Director for Project Delivery</p> <p>Representatives from Essex County Council (Highways), North East Essex Health and Wellbeing Alliance</p>	<p>Reassurance that the Development Plan Document for the Garden Community (and related plans for the Garden Community) are robust and address the needs for that community.</p> <p>This process can itself inform the full Council's consideration of the Development Plan Document for the Garden Community – scheduled to be considered in January 2023.</p>

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18 OCTOBER 2022

REPORT OF HEAD OF DEMOCRATIC SERVICES AND ELECTIONS

A.1 WORK PROGRAMMING – INCLUDING MONITORING OF PREVIOUS RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUMMARY OF FORTHCOMING DECISIONS

(Report prepared by Keith Durran and Keith Simmons)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The report provides the Committee with an update on its approved Work Programme for 2022/23 (including progress with enquiries set out in its Work Programme), feedback to the Committee on the decisions in respect of previous recommendations from the Committee in respect of enquiries undertaken and a list of forthcoming decisions for which notice has been given since publication of the agenda for the Committee's last meeting.

INVITEES

Not applicable.

BACKGROUND

The Council commissioned the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny (CfGS) to undertake an 'Overview & Scrutiny Development Review' in 2021 as a way of further improving that function at the Council. Two relevant recommendations arising from that review were:

“Further strengthening the annual process for developing work programmes for each O&S committee - Engaging Members, Officers, partners and the public to prioritise the topics for review. This could include a selection criteria to identify appropriate topics for the work programme. Currently the work programme is also the last item on the agenda at O&S meetings, we would recommend bringing it to the beginning, so it can be given greater priority and benefit from more considered discussion, rather than being subject to the inevitable end of meeting fatigue.

Reviewing how the recommendations are made and how impact is measured – This could include putting the ‘recommendations monitoring report’ at the beginning of agendas to orientate O&S towards outcomes-focused meetings, alongside an emphasis on finding strong recommendations from questioning to present to Cabinet (or partners) as improvement or challenge proposals.”

The Committee has previously received three separate reports on the issues of (1) Work Programme for 2022/23 (including progress with enquiries set out in its Work Programme), (2) feedback to the Committee on the decisions in respect of previous recommendations from the Committee in respects of enquiries undertaken and (3) a list of forthcoming decisions for which notice has been given since publication of the agenda for the Committee's last meeting.

While (since the CfGS recommendations were made) the three reports referred to have been earlier in the Committee's agendas for meetings, the combination of them into one report seeks to further re-inforce the inter-relationship of the matters previously covered separately. As such, it is designed to further support consideration of work programming of the Committee and contribute to addressing progress with the Corporate Plan.

DETAILED INFORMATION

The detailed matters relating to the following matters are set out in the Appendix identified:

- (1) Work Programme for 2022/23 (including progress with enquiries set out in its Work Programme) – See Appendix A;
- (2) feedback to the Committee on the decisions in respect of previous recommendations from the Committee in respects of enquiries undertaken – see Appendix B; and
- (3) a list of forthcoming decisions for which notice has been given since publication of the agenda for the Committee's last meeting – See Appendix C.

In considering work programming matters, the Committee is further reminded of the other recommendations from the CfGS review undertaken in 2021:

“Considering greater use of task and finish groups – This more informal type of O&S can allow improved cross-party working and detailed investigation of a single issue focussed on producing substantive recommendations.

Improved agenda planning and management - Committees should focus on one or two substantive items per agenda to allow for cross-cutting themes to be properly identified and explored, and different insights brought to bear on critical issues.

Considering how to engage the public in the work of O&S - This could include O&S going on more site visits in the community, inviting the public to offer ideas for work programmes, and greater use of social media channels for resident input and communicating the progress and impact of scrutiny work.

A clearer focus on democratic accountability - Scrutiny of Cabinet Members should form a key part of the work programme, providing an opportunity to hold the Leader and portfolio holders to account for delivery of the corporate plan and any other issues O&S feel is important.”

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee:

- (a) Considers and notes the progress with enquiries set out in its Work Programme, feedback to the Committee on the decisions in respect of previous recommendations and the list of forthcoming decisions; and**
- (b) Determines whether any addition to, amendment of or rescheduling of Work Programme matters are required or other actions should be approved based on the content of this report.**

SCOPING DOCUMENT FOR ENQUIRIES BY COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE AS PART OF ITS WORK PROGRAMME 2022/23

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<p><i>Nominees to serve on this Task and Finish Group:</i></p>					
<p>Progressing the proposals for development as part of</p>	<p>September- November 2022</p>	<p>Community Leadership Through Partnerships</p>	<p>The emerging Development Plan</p>	<p>Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance</p>	<p>Reassurance that the Development Plan Document for</p>

<p>Tendring-Colchester Border Garden Community</p> <p>Considering the emerging Development Plan Document for the Garden Community</p> <p>Opportunities for enhancing the Garden Community through links to the Freeport East project.</p> <p>Examining stewardship/governance of the Garden Community.</p> <p>Assessing risk and challenges for the District as a whole.</p>			<p>Document for the Garden Community.</p> <p>Responses to consultation with the public/stakeholders on the Development Plan Document.</p> <p>The plans of Essex County Council for roads and for the rapid transit arrangements.</p> <p>Relevant plans of the University of Essex.</p> <p>Plans of public service providers such as health, fire and police for provision in respect of the Garden Community.</p>	<p>The Chairman of the Tendring Colchester Borders Joint Committee and the other Members of the Committee.</p> <p>The Planning Portfolio Holder</p> <p>The Deputy Chief Executive, Interim Director for Planning and the Corporate Director for Project Delivery</p> <p>Representatives from Essex County Council (Highways), North East Essex Health and Wellbeing Alliance</p>	<p>the Garden Community (and related plans for the Garden Community) are robust and address the needs for that community.</p> <p>This process can itself inform the full Council's consideration of the Development Plan Document for the Garden Community – scheduled to be considered in January 2023.</p>
<p><i>Nominees to serve on this Task and Finish Group:</i></p>					
<p>Below is as proposed by the Informal Meeting of the Members of this Committee held on 9 August 2022</p>					
<p>Cost of living crisis and the support that can be provided.</p>	<p>To be Allocated</p>	<p>Community Leadership Through Partnerships/Joined up public services for the benefit of our</p>	<p>Information on the cost of living crisis, including fuel prices and inflation. Localised data on the numbers of households facing financial crisis,</p>	<p>Representatives from a range of organisations active in this work area who are able to assist the enquiry.</p>	<p>To best support socio-economic wellbeing at the local level during this crisis time.</p>

		residents and businesses	<p>numbers of disabled people who have less than £10 per week for food and essentials and those individuals at risk of homelessness</p> <p>Information on what is being done at a local level to support those being hit hardest by the cost of living crisis. Evidence of coverage of these efforts compared with the numbers likely to be hardest hit locally. How are the financially vulnerable identified and how robust are the partnerships to address this. Support for disabled people to access support.</p> <p>Data sharing between organisations to improve service delivery</p>		
<i>Nominees to serve on this Task and Finish Group:</i>					
Out of school out of site, children not in School. Addressing the issues in the Ombudsman's Report of July 2022. - Focus report: Out of school, out of sight? July 2022 (localgov.co.uk)	To be Allocated	Community Leadership Through Partnerships/Joined up public services for the benefit of our residents and businesses	Essex County Council policies on its duty to children who cannot fully attend a school to access their education.	Representatives from Essex County Council's Education service with knowledge of this area.	To respond to the Ombudsman's Focus Report of July 2022 on this matter. To be reassured on the provision for

<p><u>This enquiry is not about elective home education</u></p> <p>When a child (of compulsory school age) cannot go to school, the Upper Tier local authority must find out why. If there is a duty for it to act, it must make alternative arrangements to provide suitable education.</p> <p>The key learning point the Ombudsman wants to highlight is that Upper Tier Authorities have the duty to arrange alternative education, not the school a child attends. Councils need some way to identify when their duty has arisen. Councils will be held to account if things go wrong.</p>			<p>Numbers of children in the County who cannot fully attend school.</p> <p>Arrangements for assessments of children who cannot fully attend a school to access their education.</p> <p>Alternative education provision providers and oversight of those arrangements.</p> <p>Timescales for assessments and alternative provision, learning from complaints about the service.</p>	<p>Those who undertake assessments</p> <p>Those who are contracted to provide alternative education provision.</p> <p>A sample of the parents of the children who fall into this category</p> <p>A representative from the Ombudsman's Office who can speak on this matter.</p>	<p>children in Tendring who struggle to cope with full-time education. This can be because they have health problems.</p> <p>Helping to ensuring that local services do not exacerbate mental health issues for children in this category. The Ombudsman reports seeing increasing numbers of cases where children are unable to attend school because of anxiety. Often, these cases involve children with special educational needs which have yet to be fully understood. There may be little, or even conflicting, evidence about the child's needs. Nevertheless, councils must assess the available evidence and decide for themselves whether they have a</p>
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					statutory duty to make other arrangements for the child's education. They should take action without delay.
<i>Nominees to serve on this Task and Finish Group:</i>					

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RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING REPORT

Recommendation(s) Including Date of Meeting and Minute Number	Actions Taken and Outcome	Completed, follow-up work required or added to Work Programme
<p>Date of meeting: 9 May 2022 Minute: 5</p> <p><u>FREPORT EAST</u></p> <p>(1) The approach of the Council, in wholeheartedly supporting and embracing the Freeport East proposal, be welcomed and endorsed as something that had the potential to radically transform in a good way the Town of Harwich, the wider District of Tendring and beyond;</p> <p>(2) The jobs and skills commitments in the Full Business Case for Freeport East should be kept to the fore by the Council and that the development of the first careers hub be encouraged as swiftly as possible.</p> <p>(3) The urgent need to enhance the A120 from its junction with the A133 at Great Bromley Parish to Harwich was something that could delay or prevent the full potential of Freeport</p>	<p>At the Cabinet meeting on 17 June 2022.</p> <p>The Cabinet had before it the response of the Leader of the Council thereto as follows:-</p> <p><i>“I welcome the report from the Committee and agree that Freeport East has the potential to radically transform in a good way the Town of Harwich, the wider District of Tendring and beyond. Jobs, skills and transport are key benefits the Council wants to see come forward as a result, including investment in the A133 / A120 junction, and I recognise that these benefits, if the Freeport is successful, have the potential to reach all corners of the District.”</i></p> <p>Having considered the recommendations of the Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny Committee, together with the response of the Leader of the Council thereto:-</p>	

<p>East being realised if commitments were not given to achieve those enhancements in the immediate forthcoming period: (4) There was a need to ensure that pro-active steps were taken to offer solutions to any issues that arose in achieving advantage across all parts of the District in developing supply chains, business to business links, skills development, supportive public investment and jobs creation associated with the Freeport East;</p>	<p>RESOLVED that the recommendations made by the Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny Committee be endorsed and that the response of the Leader of the Council thereto be approved.</p>	
<p>Date of meeting: 10 January 2022 Minute: 33</p> <p><u>HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS</u></p> <p>(a) encourage real estate investment trust investment in purchasing low quality HMO's and investing in them to produce good quality self-contained affordable units.</p> <p>(b) sign posting those who apply to join the housing register to organisations to support debt management, maximising benefits, over-coming isolation and other issues they may struggle with,</p> <p>(c) securing additional accommodation for those with vulnerabilities who are rough sleeping, to continue and develop early intervention with Landlords to resolve issue rather than moving to evictions</p>	<p>At the Cabinet meeting on 25 February 2022.</p> <p>The Cabinet had before it the responses of the Housing Portfolio Holder thereto as follows:-</p> <p><i>"The meeting served as a useful reminder of all the work that goes on in our housing service and the wide range of partner organisations who we work with to support residents of our District. The recommendations to Cabinet all tie back to commitments already made in our Housing Strategy and in the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategies and as such I have no further comments to make."</i></p> <p>Having considered the recommendations of the Community Leadership Overview & Scrutiny Committee, together with the responses of the Housing Portfolio Holder thereto:-</p>	
<p>Date of meeting: 10 January 2022</p>		

Minute: 34

DEVELOPING HIGHLIGHT PRIORITY ACTIONS FOR 2022/23

1. Delivering High Quality Services – Include a further priority around enhancing the public realm by investing in such areas as weed control and measures to improve public open space.
2. Growing and Inclusive Economy - within the existing proposed highlight priority for Town Centres in the District that the role of towns such as Brightlingsea, Frinton-Walton, Harwich and Manningtree in supporting the economic wellbeing of the District be recognised and measures to enhance those Town Centres and further improve their role in generating a vibrant local Town Centre experience be included for 2022/23.
3. Sustainable Communities – to include a priority for tackling homelessness within the measures discussed at the meeting (Minute 32 above refers) with the relevant milestones.
4. Community Leadership – measures to support the Sport and Leisure activities across the district and to encourage increased activity levels across a range of the population district wide.

On the 25 February 2022, the Cabinet (having considered the recommendation shown of this Committee), **RESOLVED** that the recommendation be noted and that the following response of the Partnerships Portfolio Holder be endorsed.

"The meeting served as a useful reminder of all the work that goes on in our housing service and the wide range of partner organisations who we work with to support residents of our District. The recommendations to Cabinet all tie back to commitments already made in our Housing Strategy and in the Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategies and as such I have no further comments to make."

<p>Date of meeting: 27 September 2021 Minute: 12</p> <p><u>E-SCOOTERS</u></p> <p>a. authorises representations to the Government’s Department of Transport to the effect that riders of E-Scooter be required to wear safety helmets, that E-Scooters be required to generate a low level noise to make them audible for safety reasons and that they are fitted with indicator lights.</p>	<p>On the 12 November 2021, the Cabinet (having considered the recommendation shown of this Committee), RESOLVED that the recommendation be noted and that the following response of the Partnerships Portfolio Holder be endorsed.</p> <p><i>“I endorse the Committee’s recommendations that representations be made to the Department of Transport for the specified safety improvements.”</i></p>	
<p>Date of meeting: 30 November 2020 Minute: 6</p> <p><u>THE HEALTH PROVISION AND CARE RESPONSE</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>the suggestion from the Chief Operating Officer for the North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to create a forum across North East Essex that will allow Councillors to communicate the views of their constituents with the GP practice leads directly be supported and the CCG urged to implement this as soon as possible.</i> <i>the continued hard work of the North East Essex Clinical Commissioning Group and local NHS providers, Dr Gogarty and the</i> 	<p>On 19 February 2021, the Cabinet noted the recommendations of the Community Leadership Overview and Scrutiny Committee and RESOLVED that the recommendations be noted and that the following response of the Partnerships Portfolio Holder be endorsed:-</p> <p><i>“The CCG are keen to create a forum across North East Essex for Councillors to be able to directly communicate the views of their constituents to GP practice leads and I warmly welcome this opportunity which I believe will allow our councillors to raise issues of concern and also understand the issues GPs face. It will also allow us to address together how we can support each other to achieve our shared aims. I am aware that our CCG wanted to progress this but I do understand in the current pandemic</i></p>	

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<p><i>Public Health team at Essex County Council as well as this Council's redeployed/redirected staff supporting those in need due to Covid-19 restrictions be recognised.</i></p>	<p><i>situation this has not been able to be delivered yet but look forward to future progress in this area".</i></p>	
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A.1 APPENDIX C

Community Leadership Overview and Scrutiny Committee 18 October 2022

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 13 – SCRUTINY OF PROPOSED DECISIONS

(Prepared by Keith Durran)

The below forthcoming decisions are those published since 02 August 2022 – the publication date for the Committee’s last ordinary meeting.

In presenting the following, the Committee’s attention is drawn to the agenda item notes in respect of Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rule 13.

DESCRIPTION OF DECISION	KEY DECISION – YES/NO	DECISION MAKER	Decision Due Date
<u>Sport and Activity Strategy</u>	YES	Cabinet	16/12/2022

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COMMUNITY AND LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

18 OCTOBER 2022

REPORT OF PORTFOLIO HOLDER FOR PARTNERSHIPS

A.2 DENTISTRY PROVISION IN TENDRING

(Report prepared by Anastasia Simpson)

PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

The Committee have requested a report regarding dentistry provision in the District, in particular NHS dentistry and what is provided within the NHS remit.

INVITEES

The Committee will be advised if a speaker from the NHS is available on 18 October 2022.

BACKGROUND

The Committee have requested further information regarding dentistry in Tendring as they have some concerns about the perceived lack of NHS provision. In particular they would like some statistics regarding the number of dentists in Tendring and would like to discuss the importance of dentistry and its connection to other medical condition.

DETAILED INFORMATION

The Committee has raised the following questions and requested that the NHS provides feedback regarding the local situation regarding Dentistry.

1. The number of dentists in the area now compared with 5-10 years ago, reasons for growth/decline. Public versus private.
2. Legislative changes over the last 10 years that affected the service the NHS was obliged to provide, if any.
3. Costs for procedures both public and private, waiting times.
4. How many people are without a dentist in the district?
5. How does Tendring sit against the rest of the UK in relation to the above questions.
6. What steps are being taken to improve things?

Also :

The following are entitled to entirely free NHS dentistry treatment. So the country has said their dental needs are particularly important:

- under 18, or under 19 and in full-time education
- pregnant or have had a baby in the last 12 months

How is free dental services provided to these?

Details of current NHS dentistry charges are detailed in Appendix B and Appendix C provides information about the costs of NHS and private dentistry. Appendix C appears to indicate that the costs of private dentistry have a wide variance.

More generally, the absence of NHS dentistry will mean more wide spread tooth decay and gum disease which itself is a significant contributory factor in:

1. Respiratory infections such as pneumonia - The older you are, the more this risk increases, as well.
2. Diabetic complications - When your gums are inflamed or your teeth are in poor condition, it makes controlling your blood sugar even harder. Worse still, a rare complication of diabetes is periodontal disease, which can further cause your oral health to erode. Because people with diabetes have a harder time-fighting infection, problems with tooth decay can become dire very quickly, leading to even more issues.
3. Cardiovascular problems - Bacterial entering your bloodstream through an oral infection can make their way throughout the body, but most often end up in your heart, since all blood must flow through it. Once there, it clings to heart valves and hardens, making it harder for your heart to pump blood throughout the body. This can lead to heart disease. Endocarditis—an inflammation of the lining of the heart—can be caused by the same bacteria. Oral bacteria, which can stress your heart and make it work much harder than it needs to, leading to premature issues like stroke, heart attack and more.
4. Kidney disease - When bacteria from poor health teeth and gums get to your bloodstream and your kidneys they can attack and cause your kidneys to function ineffectively when it comes to filtering excess waste out of your body. This leads to build ups causing kidney failure and other renal conditions.
5. Rheumatoid Arthritis - Those with gum disease can be as much as 4x times more likely to also have Rheumatoid Arthritis. It's not a coincidence! Both gum disease and arthritis are inflammatory conditions. Gingivitis, in particular, is known for its severe inflammation, which can incite arthritis flare-ups.

So addressing the above from a system point of view is important and the Committee will want to know how the above are being mitigated against given the absence of NHS dentistry locally.

Appendix A includes a snapshot of Dentists available in Clacton as of 7 October 2022. This information shows that there are 9 dentists operating in the area offering NHS treatments. Currently, 7 of these are not stating whether they are taking new NHS patients, 1 is not taking new NHS patients and 1 is accepting NHS patients.

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At the ICB People Committee held on 10.08.22 the Committee were provided with a presentation by Dr Paul Driscoll-Evans, Pro-Vice Chancellor – Health & Wellbeing, University of Suffolk who discussed a proposal for a programme for Building dental capacity in Suffolk and addressing dentistry inequalities. This programme received support from the Board as as Tendring is part of the NEE and Suffolk Alliance the District should in time reap the benefit from this programme with increased dentistry capacity. Further details of the proposals are in Appendix D.

Dentistry, Ophthalmology and Pharmacy are moving from the 1st April 2023 from NHS England to the ICB.

Some of the projects that are part of the transfer are detailed below:

- 1) Set up of a Dental Development School, and associated work to deliver better access.
- 2) Ensuring Looked after children have a dedicated dentist to support them.
- 3) Increased General access within SNEE (Suffolk and North East Essex)
- 4) Decreased waiting times for Specialist Dentistry
- 5) Decreased waiting times for domiciliary dentistry
- 6) Undertaking a pilot to ensure homeless populations in SNEE have a dedicated dentist to support them.
- 7) Having a dedicated dentist for Rheumatology and Oncology Patients (currently piloted in Mid Essex).
- 8) Support for having an urgent care / follow up pilot undertaken in SNEE and making progress to increase access.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee determines whether it has any comments or recommendations it wishes to put forward the relevant Portfolio Holder or Cabinet.

Appendix A

Dentists near CO15 1SE - Clacton Town Hall (Data taken from the NHS website 07.10.22)

1. [The Cosmetic Dental Studio](#)

Town View Dental & Implant Clinic, 25 Carnarvon Road, Clacton On Sea, Essex, CO15 6QF

01255 423299

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist is:

- accepting children (under 18)
- accepting adults (18 and over)
- accepting adults entitled to free dental care

2. [mydentist, Old Road, Clacton-on-Sea](#)

129 Old Road, Clacton, Essex, CO15 3AW

01255 422502

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist is not taking any new NHS patients at the moment

3. [Clacton Dental Care](#)

40-42 St Osyth Road, Clacton On Sea, Essex, CO15 3BW

01255 221001

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

4. [Ford Road Dental Surgery](#)

Unit 4a, Newman Industrial Estate, Ford Road, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex, CO15 3DS

01255 474942

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

5. [Jaywick Dental Surgery](#)

Green Elms Health Centre, 32 Crossways, Jaywick, Clacton on Sea, Essex, CO15 2NB

01255 207620

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

6. [Mr. Mazdak Eyrumlu and Honar Shakir](#)

18-20, CONNAUGHT AVENUE, FRINTON-ON-SEA, CO13 9PW

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

7. [The Old Library Dental Practice](#)

121-123 Connaught Avenue, Frinton-on-Sea, Essex, CO13 9PS

01255 674505

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

8. [Elm Tree Dental Surgery](#)

Elm Tree Dental Surgery, 26, Elm Tree Avenue, Frinton on sea, Essex, CO13 0AR

01255 672309

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

9. [Manor Parade Dental & Cosmetic Clinic](#)

Park Drive, Brightlingsea, Colchester, Essex, CO7 0UD

01206 305080

Is this dentist taking new NHS patients?

This dentist has not recently given an update on whether they're taking new NHS patients. Contact them for more information

APPENDIX B NHS dental charges

There are 3 NHS charge bands:

Band 1: £23.80

Covers an examination, diagnosis and advice. If necessary, it also includes [X-rays](#), a scale and polish (if clinically needed), and planning for further treatment.

Band 2: £65.20

Covers all treatment included in Band 1, plus additional treatment, such as fillings, [root canal treatment](#) and removing teeth (extractions).

Band 3: £282.80

Covers all treatment included in Bands 1 and 2, plus more complex procedures, such as crowns, dentures and bridges.

Further details as follows:

Band 1 course of treatment: £23.80

- clinical examination, case assessment and report
- [orthodontic](#) case assessment and report
- advice, dental charting, diagnosis and treatment planning
- radiographic examination and radiological report
- study casts
- colour photographs
- instruction in the prevention of dental and oral disease, including dietary advice and [dental hygiene instruction](#)
- surface application as primary preventive measures of sealants and topical [fluoride](#) preparations
- scaling, polishing and marginal correction of fillings
- taking material for pathological examination
- adjustments to, and easing of, [dentures](#) or orthodontic appliances
- treatment of sensitive cementum

Band 2 course of treatment: £65.20

- non-surgical periodontal treatment ([gum disease treatment](#)), including root planing, deep scaling, irrigation of periodontal pockets and subgingival curettage and all necessary scaling and polishing
- surgical periodontal treatment, including gingivectomy, gingivoplasty or removal of an operculum, raising and replacement of a mucoperiosteal flap, curettage, root planing and bone resection
- free gingival grafts
- permanent fillings in amalgam, composite resin, synthetic resin, glass ionomer, compomers, silicate or silico-phosphate, including acid etch retention
- sealant restorations
- endodontic treatments ([root canal treatment](#)) of permanent or retained deciduous teeth, pulpotomy and apicoectomy
- extraction of teeth
- transplantation of teeth
- oral surgery including surgical removal of cyst, buried root, unerupted tooth, impacted tooth or exostosed tooth and alveolectomy
- soft tissue surgery in relation to the buccal cavity and lips
- frenectomy, frenuloplasty, frenotomy
- relining and rebasing dentures including soft linings
- addition of tooth, clasp, labial or buccal flange to dentures
- splints (other than laboratory-made splints) in relation to periodontally compromised teeth and in connection with external trauma
- bite-raising appliances (other than laboratory made appliances)

Band 3 course of treatment: £282.80

- laboratory-made porcelain or composite veneers, including acid etch retention
- inlays, pinlays, onlays and palatal veneers, in alloys containing 60% or more fine gold, porcelain, composite resin and ceramics

Crowns including any pin or post aids to retention:

- full or three-quarter crown cast in alloys containing not less than 33⅓% fine gold or platinum or palladium
- full or jacket crown cast in alloys containing stainless steel or cobalt chromium or nickel chromium
- crown in porcelain, synthetic resin and other non-metallic crowns
- full or jacket crowns in alloys containing not less than 33⅓% fine gold or platinum or palladium, or alloys containing stainless steel or cobalt chromium or nickel chromium, with thermally bonded porcelain
- jacket crown thermally bonded to wrought platinum coping
- prefabricated full or jacket crown, including any pin or post retention

Bridges including any pin or post aids to retention:

- bridges in alloys containing 60% or more fine gold with or without thermally bonded facings
- bridges cast in alloys containing stainless steel, cobalt chromium or nickel chromium, with or without thermally bonded facings
- acid etch retained bridges
- bridges in other materials
- provision of full (completed) or partial dentures, overdentures and obturators in synthetic resin or metal or both synthetic resin and metal, including any cast or wrought metal components or aids to retention
- orthodontic treatment and appliances
- other custom-made applications excluding sports guards

1 NHS dental costs vs private dentist fees: what's the difference?

We asked major private practice chains for details on their pricing for different procedures. Our dental treatment pricing table below will help you identify whether you're getting a decent deal on care or paying over the odds.

Below the table, you'll find more detail on what each kind of treatment entails, what's different if you go private and what to check before going ahead.

Treatment	NHS band	NHS price	Private price
New patient consultation or check-up	Band 1	£23.80	£20 to £120
Simple X-rays/radiograph*	Band 1	£23.80	£5 to £40
Hygiene clean/scale and polish	Band 1/Band 2 (deep scaling)	£23.80/£65.20	£25 to £85
Amalgam/metal filling	Band 2	£65.20	£30 to £175
Composite/white filling	Band 2	£65.20	£40 to £250
Root canal treatment	Band 2	£65.20	£45 to £970
Tooth extraction	Band 2	£65.20	£50 to £370
Crowns	Band 3	£282.80	£250 to £1,180
Dentures/bridges	Band 3	£282.80	£355 to £2,520

