

HAMPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

Decision Report

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| Decision Maker: | Cabinet |
| Date: | 18 April 2023 |
| Title: | Constitutional Changes |
| Report From: | Director of People and Organisation |

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Purpose of this Report

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Cabinet's endorsement regarding a reorganisation of the County Council's Select Committees and Advisory Panels which will include the creation of a single Select Committee for Universal Services and the realignment of the work of the Buildings, Land and Procurement Panel (BLAPP), to the new Universal Services Select Committee and to the Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources Committee.
2. This report also recommends that the present Cabinet Sub-Committee on Economic Growth and Recovery be ceased from the date of this report.

Recommendations

3. Cabinet are asked to agree that the present Cabinet Sub-Committee on Economic Growth and Recovery be ceased from the date of this report.

Cabinet are asked to recommend to the County Council:

4. That the Universal Services – Transport and Environment Select Committee, the Universal Services – Countryside and Regulatory Services Select Committee and BLAPP are ceased.
5. That a new single Universal Services Select Committee be created, to comprise 16 Members, with Terms of References as set out at **Annex 1** of this report.

6. That Membership of the Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources Select Committee be increased so as to comprise 16 Members.
7. That the Monitoring Officer be authorised to amend the Constitution to allow for the appointment of 4 substitute members per group for Select Committees
8. That the County Council's proportionality table to reviewed to take account of the recommendations set out at Paragraphs 4 and 5 above.

Executive Summary

9. On 24 November 2022, following approval of the new Organisational Structure by the Employment in Hampshire County Council Committee and revised allocation by the Leader of Executive Functions, the County Council subsequently approved a revised allocation of Scrutiny Functions. The new Organisational Structure was implemented on 1 January 2023, and this report reviews a number of matters as outlined below consequential upon the new Operating Model.

Contextual information

Select Committee Functions

10. So far as Scrutiny Functions relating to Universal Services go, there are currently two proportionally constituted Select Committees. These are Universal Services – Transport and Environment and Universal Services – Countryside and Regulatory Services. The Universal Services - Transport, and Environment Select Committee is the lead for budget for Universal Services. Functions currently allocated to the County Council's Select Committees are set out at **Annex 2** for ease of reference.
11. Following implementation of the new Organisational Structure, and the revised Terms of Reference of Scrutiny Functions relating to Universal Services it has become apparent that there is an insufficient work programme so as to justify continuance of two Universal Services Select Committees, bearing in mind also the financial and resource pressures the County Council is facing. It is considered that functions of the Universal Services – Transport, and Environment Select Committee could be combined with the Universal Services - Countryside and Regulatory Services, so as to create a single composite Universal Services Select Committee. It is suggested that a single Select Committee for Universal Services will enable more focused and Co-ordinated scrutiny of the Directorate's functions.
12. In light of the functions of the proposed Universal Services Select Committee, it is suggested that Membership of the Universal Services Select Committee

be 16 Members so as to provide the Member capacity to deal with the anticipated workload of the Committee.

13. Given the increase in size of the Select Committees it is proposed that each political group should be able to appoint up to 4 Substitute Members for each Select Committee to ensure that sufficient Member capacity is always available.

BLAPP

14. As Cabinet will be aware, BLAPP is a proportionally constituted advisory committee of the County Council, advising the Executive Lead Member for Universal Services. BLAPP does not however have any formal decision making powers or Scrutiny functions. It is considered that in light of the new Organisational Structure and to provide both more purchase and a clearer Scrutiny remit that the functions of BLAPP so far as matters relating to Universal Services go, could be included within the Terms of Reference of the proposed new Universal Services Select Committee.
15. It is considered that so far as any strategic land matters go, Scrutiny functions regarding these are already included within the responsibilities of the Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources Select Committee. Accordingly, it is considered that going forward there is no requirement for a separate BLAPP advisory Committee. Should Cabinet be in favour of this proposal, it is suggested that Membership of the Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources Select Committee be increased from 14 Members to 16 Members to provide additional Member capacity to deal with the increased workload.

Cabinet Sub-Committee on Economic Growth and Recovery

16. In March 2017 Cabinet approved establishment of a Cabinet Sub-Committee for Economic Growth and Recovery to advise the Leader and Cabinet on the County Council's strategic approach to Economic Development across all relevant Executive Portfolios, to ensure that the County Council's activities achieve the optimum outcomes in terms of supporting the local economy. As a Executive Sub-Committee, membership is consequentially restricted to Members of Cabinet, and it is thus not possible to include within its membership Members other than Cabinet.
17. Going forward, it is considered that the functions of the Cabinet Sub-Committee on Economic Growth and Recovery could equally be undertaken by the Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources Select Committee, which unlike a Cabinet Sub-Committee is a proportional Committee of the County Council. Accordingly, it is considered that the

Cabinet Sub-Committee on Economic Growth and Recovery is no longer required.

Consultation and Equalities

18. It is considered that this Report will have no adverse impact or cause no disadvantage to groups with protected characteristics.

Climate Change Impact Assessment

19. Hampshire County Council utilises two decision-making tools to assess the carbon emissions and resilience impacts of its projects and decisions. These tools provide a clear, robust, and transparent way of assessing how projects, policies and initiatives contribute towards the County Council's climate change targets of being carbon neutral and resilient to the impacts of a 2°C temperature rise by 2050. This process ensures that climate change considerations are built into everything the Authority does.

The carbon mitigation tool and/or climate change adaptation tool were not applicable because the decision is administrative in nature.

REQUIRED CORPORATE AND LEGAL INFORMATION:

Links to the Strategic Plan

This proposal does not link to the Strategic Plan but, nevertheless, requires a decision for the good governance of the County Council.

Section 100 D - Local Government Act 1972 - background documents

The following documents discuss facts or matters on which this report, or an important part of it, is based and have been relied upon to a material extent in the preparation of this report. (NB: the list excludes published works and any documents which disclose exempt or confidential information as defined in the Act.)

Document

Location

None

EQUALITIES IMPACT ASSESSMENT:

1. Equality Duty

The County Council has a duty under Section 149 of the Equality Act 2010 ('the Act') to have due regard in the exercise of its functions to the need to:

- Eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by or under the Act with regard to the protected characteristics as set out in section 4 of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation);
- Advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (age, disability, gender reassignment, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation) and those who do not share it;
- Foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic within section 149(7) of the Act (see above) and persons who do not share it.

Due regard in this context involves having due regard in particular to:

- The need to remove or minimise disadvantages suffered by persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are connected to that characteristic;
- Take steps to meet the needs of persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic that are different from the needs of persons who do not share it;
- Encourage persons sharing a relevant protected characteristic to participate in public life or in any other activity in which participation by such persons is disproportionately low.

2. Equalities Impact Assessment:

There are no equality impacts arising from this Report.

Part 2: Chapter 5

Scrutiny

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees

1. Responsibilities for Scrutiny Functions

- 1.1. The following table sets out the allocation of responsibilities within the Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees.

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| Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources | <p>Coordinating Scrutiny:</p> <p>To ensure resources of all scrutiny functions are being effectively targeted.</p> <p>To ensure the outputs and outcomes of Scrutiny are having impact and being evaluated.</p> <p>To create an annual work programme.</p> <p>To identify where each thematic review on the work programme should be considered.</p> <p>To provide an annual report to the County Council outlining the effectiveness, outcomes and learning of the scrutiny function (i.e. Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees and overall work programme).</p> <p>To monitor the operation of the provisions relating to call-in and urgency submitting a report to Cabinet if necessary.</p> |

Scrutinising Corporate functions:

Reviewing how policies, services and decisions ensure effective use and management of all resources; how effectively is cross-cutting/corporate policy developed, implemented and performance evaluated and improved.

Economic development; strategic transport; strategic spatial planning; Minerals and waste Policy; Superfast Broadband; Devolution.

Skills; Partnership Working (internal and external).

Rural strategy, rural estate and strategic land; strategic capital planning (all Directorates); strategic asset management.

Climate Change and Environmental Strategy; Flood and coastal erosion risk management; sustainable development.

Cultural Strategy, Cultural Trust, including arts and museums

Developing sustainable communities; supporting diversity and inclusion; community engagement and consultation.

Efficiency; Human Resources; Skills; Procurement; Relevant Financial Management (e.g. budget setting and monitoring final accounts, capital programme, capital receipts); information management (including records management); communications; use of IT; Health and Safety; corporate policy and performance; crime prevention; crime and disorder; Emergency Planning.

Reviewing and scrutinising decisions made, or other actions taken, in connection with the discharge of crime and disorder functions by the authorities responsible for crime and disorder strategies in relation to the County Council's area, and making reports or

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| | <p>recommendations with respect to the discharge of those functions.</p> <p>Makings reports or recommendations to the County Council with regard to any matter which is a local crime and disorder matter in relation to a member of the County Council (i.e. a matter concerning crime and disorder which affects all or part of the electoral Division for which the Member is elected or any person who lives or works in that area).</p> <p>Directorates covered;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Hampshire 2050 - Corporate Operations - People and Organisation - County Council as a corporate entity. - Any other relevant functions in other Directorates |
| <p>Children and Young People</p> | <p>Reviewing how the needs and interests of children and young people are met by all Directorates, policies, services and decisions; and how performance is evaluated and improved.</p> <p>To create an annual work programme.</p> <p>To identify where each thematic review on the work programme should be considered.</p> <p>Universal, targeted and specialist services for children and young people: prevention and management of risk; social care; children's and young people's wellbeing; education – supporting and enabling learning for all children and young people; internal and external partnership working re Children and Young People; supporting parents and families; relevant financial management.</p> <p>HC3S, County Supplies and <u>Libraries</u>.</p> <p>Directorates covered:</p> |

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| | <p>- Children's Services</p> <p>- Any other Directorate doing work with or impacting on children or young people.</p> |
| <p>Health and Adult Social Care</p> | <p>Reviewing how policies, services and decisions support safe, well, independent and continuously developing people (adults and older persons) and Public Health; how they are implemented and how performance is evaluated and improved.</p> <p>To create an annual work programme.</p> <p>To identify where each thematic review on the work programme should be considered.</p> <p>Focus on how the County Council is contributing to delivering the Wellbeing agenda for adults; adult social care; promoting independence and quality of life for older people; healthy and safe families; Public Health: the integration of Health and Care services and relevant financial management.</p> <p>Scrutiny of the provision and operation of health services in Hampshire.</p> <p>Directorates covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Adults' Health and Care - Any other relevant functions in other Directorates |
| <p>Universal Services</p> | <p>Reviewing how policies, services and decisions support a positive and sustainable environment, rural Hampshire, accessibility to services for all and effective management of natural resources; how they are implemented and how performance is evaluated and improved.</p> <p>To create an annual work programme.</p> <p>To identify where each thematic review on the work programme should be considered.</p> <p>Budget for Universal Services</p> |

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| | <p>Passenger transport; operational highways traffic management and transport policy and road safety; road infrastructure.</p> <p>Waste management and recycling.</p> <p>Access; protection of the environment.</p> <p>Country Parks; archives; outdoor activities; County Farms; countryside and rights of way; Regulatory Services, relevant financial management.</p> <p>Property Services, operational assets and operational estate management. The relevant business plans and strategies for the Business Units within the remit of the Director of Universal Services</p> <p>Performance, risk management and health and safety relating to the built estate.</p> <p>Relevant financial management. Directorates covered:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Universal Services - Any other relevant functions in other Directorates. |
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Specific Functions

1.2. Policy development and review

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees may:

- 1.2.1. assist the County Council and the Executive, at their request, to develop the budget and policy framework by in-depth analysis of policy issues
- 1.2.2. conduct research in the analysis of policy issues and possible options
- 1.2.3. question members of the Executive or Senior Officers, about their views on issues and proposals affecting their remit

1.2.4. liaise with external organisations as appropriate

1.3. **Scrutiny**

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees may:

1.3.1. review and scrutinise Executive decisions

1.3.2. review and scrutinise the County Council's service delivery and performance, performance concerning its policy objectives, performance targets and particular service areas

1.3.3. question members of the Executive or Senior Officers about their decisions and performance; whether compared to service plans and targets, or related to particular decisions, initiatives or projects

1.3.4. make recommendations to the Executive or County Council arising from the scrutiny process

1.3.5. review and scrutinise the performance of other public bodies in the area; invite reports from them by asking them to address the relevant Select Committee

1.3.6. question and gather evidence from people and organisations that can inform the scrutiny process.

1.4. **Health Scrutiny Functions of the Health and Adult Social Care Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee**

The Health and Adult Social Care Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee will have the following additional roles and functions in relation to health matters:

1.4.1. To review and scrutinise any matter relating to the planning, provision and operation of the health service in Hampshire.

1.4.2. To make reports and recommendations to relevant NHS bodies and to relevant health service providers (as defined in the Local Authority (Public Health, Health and Wellbeing Board and Health Scrutiny) Regulations 2013) on any matter that it has reviewed or scrutinised.

1.4.3. To act as consultee to relevant NHS bodies or relevant health service providers on issues of:

- a) Substantial developments of the health service in Hampshire; and

- b) Any proposals to make any substantial variation to the provision of such services.
- 1.4.4. Subject to the approval of the County Council to report contested proposals for major health service changes to the Secretary of State;
- 1.4.5. To scrutinise the social care services provided or commissioned by relevant NHS bodies or relevant health service providers exercising local authority functions under Section 75 of the National Health Service Act 2006;
- 1.4.6. To review or scrutinise health services commissioned or delivered in Hampshire within the framework set out below:
- a) Arrangements made by relevant NHS bodies or relevant health service providers to secure hospital and community health services to the inhabitants of Hampshire;
 - b) The provision of such services to those inhabitants;
 - c) The provision of family health services, personal medical services, personal dental services, pharmacy and NHS ophthalmic services;
 - d) The public health arrangements in Hampshire; e.g. arrangements by the County Council for public health promotion and health improvement (including addressing health inequalities) in Hampshire.
 - e) The planning of health services in Hampshire, including plans setting out a strategy for improving both the health of the local population and the provision of health care to that population; and
 - f) The arrangements made by relevant NHS bodies and relevant health service providers for consulting and involving patients and the public.

1.5. **Delegation of Health Scrutiny Functions**

- 1.5.1. The County Council may delegate health scrutiny powers to a joint Scrutiny Committee and appoint Members to that Committee when there is an intention by a relevant NHS body or relevant health service provider to consult on a substantial variation or development to health services that extend beyond Hampshire.
- 1.5.2. The Chief Executive, in consultation with the Chairman of the County Council and the Chairman of the Health and Adult

Social Care Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee, may agree to the formation of such a committee, its membership and terms of reference, if there is insufficient time for that decision to be taken by the County Council, subject to the details being submitted for approval to the next meeting of the County Council.

1.5.3. Any joint committee so convened should work to a specific proposal and with clear terms of reference, which would be restricted to consideration of and agreeing a response to the proposal on which the committee had been consulted.

1.6. **Petitions**

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees must, when required to do so by a petition organiser, review the adequacy of the steps taken or proposed to be taken in response to a petition.

1.7. **Finance**

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees may exercise overall responsibility for any money made available to them.

1.8. **Annual Reports**

1.8.1. The Hampshire 2050, Corporate Services and Resources (Overview and Scrutiny) Committee will submit to the County Council as soon as reasonably practicable in each financial year an account of the activities and outcomes of the scrutiny function for the last year and a tentative list of intended scrutiny inquiries for the following year.

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1.9. **Proceedings of Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees**

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Part 2: Chapter 5

Scrutiny

Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees

2. Responsibilities for Scrutiny Functions

- 2.1. The following table sets out the allocation of responsibilities within the Select (Overview and Scrutiny) Committees.

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