1. **Purpose**

   To advise Committee members of the work programme for the 2018/19 municipal year, and to decide on the agenda items for the next meeting.

2. **Summary**

   2.1 At the beginning of the new administration, each select committee drew up a draft work programme. The Overview and Scrutiny Business Panel agreed a co-ordinated work programme. The work programme for each individual committee can be reviewed at each Select Committee meeting so that Members are able to include urgent, high priority items and remove items that are no longer a priority.

3. **Recommendations**

   3.1 The Committee is asked to:

   - note the work plan attached at Appendix B and discuss any issues arising from the programme;
   - specify the information and analysis required in the report for each item on the agenda for the next meeting, based on desired outcomes, so that officers are clear on what they need to provide;
   - review all forthcoming key decisions, attached at Appendix C, and consider any items for further scrutiny
   - Note the revision to the in-depth review timetable outlined in section 6 of this report.

4. **The work programme**

   4.1 The work programme for 2018/19 was agreed at the Committee's meeting on 28 June 2018.

   4.2 The Committee is asked to consider if any urgent issues have arisen that require scrutiny and if any existing items are no longer a priority and can be removed from the work programme. Before adding additional items, each item should be considered against agreed criteria.

   4.3 The flow chart attached at Appendix A may help Members decide if proposed additional items should be added to the work programme. The Committee's work programme needs to be achievable in terms of the amount of meeting time available. If the committee agrees to add additional item(s) because they are urgent
and high priority, Members will need to consider which medium/low priority item(s) should be removed in order to create sufficient capacity for the new item(s).

5. **The next meeting**

5.1 The following reports are scheduled for the meeting on 13 March 2019:

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5.2 The Committee is asked to specify the information and analysis it would like to see in the reports for these item, based on the outcomes the committee would like to achieve, so that officers are clear on what they need to provide for the next meeting.

6. **Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications arising from this report.

7. **Legal Implications**

In accordance with the Council’s Constitution, all scrutiny select committees must devise and submit a work programme to the Business Panel at the start of each municipal year.
8. **Equalities Implications**

8.1 The Equality Act 2010 brought together all previous equality legislation in England, Scotland and Wales. The Act included a new public sector equality duty, replacing the separate duties relating to race, disability and gender equality. The duty came into force on 6 April 2011. It covers the following nine protected characteristics: age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity, race, religion or belief, sex and sexual orientation.

8.2 The Council must, in the exercise of its functions, have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Act
- advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.
- foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

8.3 There may be equalities implications arising from items on the work programme and all activities undertaken by the Select Committee will need to give due consideration to this.

9. **Date of next meeting**

9.1 The date of the next meeting is Thursday 13 March 2019.

**Background Documents**

- Lewisham Council’s Constitution
- Centre for Public Scrutiny: the Good Scrutiny Guide
Scrubtin work programme – prioritisation process

Does this issue affect a number of people living, working and studying in Lewisham?  
Yes  
Is the issue strategic and significant?  
Yes  
Can scrutiny add value? Is performance likely to improve as a result of scrutiny activity?  
Yes  
Will scrutiny work be duplicating other work?  
No  
Is the Council due to review the relevant policy area (allowing scrutiny recommendations to influence the new direction to be taken)?  
Yes  
Is it an issue of concern to partners, stakeholders and/or the community?  
No  
Are there adequate resources available to do the scrutiny well?  
Yes  
Is the scrutiny activity timely?  
Yes

ACCEPT
High Priority

CONSIDER
Medium/Low Priority

REJECT

Lewisham