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## Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Thu 5 Jul  
2018  
7.00 pm

Committee Room Two  
Town Hall  
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## Agenda

### Membership:

Cllrs:

Joe Baker (Chair)  
Debbie Chance  
(Vice-Chair)  
Michael Chalk  
Anthony Lovell  
Gemma Monaco

Michael Rouse  
Andrew Fry  
Pattie Hill  
Jennifer Wheeler

## 7. Task Group Reviews - Draft Scoping Document TO FOLLOW (Pages 1 - 6)

a) Anti-social behaviour – Councillor M. Rouse

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**ANTI- SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR – PROPOSED TASK GROUP REVIEW**

Relevant Portfolio Holder	Councillor John Fisher, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Management
Portfolio Holder Consulted	No
Relevant Head of Service	Simon Wilkes, Head of Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) and Claire Felton, Head of Legal, Equalities and Democratic Services.
Ward(s) Affected	All wards.
Non-Key Decision	

**1. SUMMARY OF PROPOSALS**

This report provides Members with an opportunity to consider a proposal that has been received for Members to undertake a Task Group Review of action that could be taken to address anti-social behaviour (ASB) in the Borough.

**2. RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Committee is asked to **RESOLVE** to approve one of the following options:

- 1) **Subject to any changes agreed during the meeting, the proposed Anti-Social Behaviour Task Group Review be launched.**
- 2) **Members receive a presentation in respect of Anti-social behaviour at a forthcoming meeting (or meetings) of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.**
- 3) **The Crime and Disorder Scrutiny Panel be asked to investigate the subject of anti-social behaviour in greater detail at future meetings.**
- 4) **No further action be taken by Overview and Scrutiny Members in respect of this matter.**
- 5) **Alternative action, to be identified and clearly specified during the meeting, be taken in relation to this matter.**

**3. KEY ISSUES****Background**

- 3.1 On 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018 an Overview and Scrutiny work Programme Planning session was held in Redditch. All non-executive Councillors were invited to attend this

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session, which was designed to explore items that might be suitable for further scrutiny during the year.

- 3.2 During the Overview and Scrutiny session Members, working in three separate groups, participated in a number of interactive activities. At the end of the session Members provided feedback from each group on their findings and their conclusions as to whether subjects discussed during the course of the event might be suitable for further scrutiny. ASB was a subject that was identified by all three groups as potentially suitable for further scrutiny.
- 3.3 The event occurred on a date shortly after a high profile incident of ASB was reported in the local media. This involved a number of people behaving in an antisocial manner following the England Vs Panama football game, and in which a number of people climbed onto a bus. Members also noted during the session that they were increasingly receiving reports about ASB in their wards.
- 3.4 In this context a review of this subject could be considered timely as it could help to address current concerns that have been raised with Members by representatives of the local community.

**Financial Implications**

- 3.5 There are no direct financial implications.

**Legal Implications**

- 3.6 the Executive Committee is due to receive a report on the subject of the Ant social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 and the implications of the provisions in this legislation for the Borough. It is proposed in the scoping document that as part of the exercise Members should pre-scrutinise these provisions and report their findings in an interim report in September.

**Service / Operational Implications**

- 3.7 At present there is one scrutiny task group reviewing the support available to care leavers. This group will be reporting their findings to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on 5<sup>th</sup> July. After this date therefore there will be capacity amongst both Members and the Democratic Services team to support this review.

**Customer / Equalities and Diversity Implications**

- 3.8 No specific customer or equalities and diversity implications have been identified.

**4. RISK MANAGEMENT**

No specific risks have been identified.

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**5. APPENDICES**

Appendix 1 – Anti-Social Behaviour Task Group – Scoping Document.

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**Scrutiny Proposal Form**

(This form should be completed by sponsoring Member(s), Officers and / or members of the public when proposing an item for Scrutiny).

**Note: The matters detailed below have not yet received any detailed consideration. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee reserves the right to reject suggestions for scrutiny that fall outside the Borough Council's remit.**

Proposer's name and designation	Councillor Rouse	Date of referral	25 <sup>th</sup> June, 2018
Proposed topic title	Anti-Social Behaviour		
Link to local priorities including the strategic purposes	Keep my place safe and looking good		
Background to the issue	<p>Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) was raised at the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme Planning Event held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 2018. This was discussed by all three groups that participated in the session, indicating that ASB is an issue that has been reported to Members across the Borough.</p> <p>At the time there had been a recent incident in Redditch, involving football fans stopping traffic on Unicorn Hill and climbing on a bus after England won against Panama in a football match. There have also recently been reported issues of ASB in Church Hill, Astwood Bank &amp; Feckenham, Matchborough and other locations in the Borough.</p> <p>Members of my group felt that it was prudent for ASB to be one of the topics to include on the Overview and Scrutiny Committee's work programme, in particular, tackling ASB and how to solve ASB problems in the neighbourhood.</p> <p>The Executive Committee is also due to consider the implications of the ASB Crime and Policing Act 2014 for the Borough in September. A review of this subject could take this legislation into account.</p>		
Key Objectives Please keep to SMART objectives (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely)	<p>The aim of this review is to provide the Council with strong and effective powers to deal with ASB problems in the neighbourhood.</p> <p>The objectives of this review are:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) To look at possible funding available to tackle ASB;</li> <li>2) To clarify what constitutes ASB as this can be a wide range of unacceptable activities, including vandalism, nuisance neighbours and intimidating groups taking over public spaces;</li> </ol>		

	<p>3) To clarify what action is being taken by the North Worcestershire Community Safety Partnership, the Council's Community Safety team and the Locality teams to tackle the issues;</p> <p>4) To assess multi-agency roles including the Police, Community Safety Team, Safe and Neighbourhood Team and engaging with PPC, churches/mosques and other faith groups;</p> <p>5) To invite the Portfolio Holder for Community Safety and Regulatory Services for an update and ask what plans are in place for tackling ASB over the next 12 months;</p> <p>6) To identify where ASB is predominantly occurring and how this is monitored;</p> <p>7) To identify issues around nuisance motorbikes gangs in the neighbourhood;</p> <p>8) To look at what arrangements other authorities have in place, including, near neighbour authorities,, for best practice in tackling ASB and what lessons can be learnt;</p> <p>9) To look at the Police ASB dataset, area by area, including, reporting to 101 calls;</p> <p>10) To review the implications of the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014 for the Borough; and</p> <p>11) To review the previous ASB report and Recommendations.</p>
How long do you think is needed to complete this exercise? (Where possible please estimate the number of weeks, months and meetings required)	<p>Initial feedback to reported in September, 2018</p> <p>Draft Report presented in December, 2018</p>

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