

CO-ORDINATING OSC

ACTION TRACKER 2023/24 – MARCH 2024

	Date	Agenda Item	Action	Notes
1.	27 January 2023	Cabinet Member Social Justice, Community Safety & Equalities	The Cabinet Member agreed to meet with the Board of Deputies and the Jewish Leadership Council and will confirm if the letter was sent to the MPs when the definition was adopted and restate the message	<p>IN PROGRESS</p> <p>Cllr Brennan has met with Leader and is now in the process of arranging visits with a number of faith leaders, including Board of Deputies and the Jewish Leaders and will circulate the letter. It is not possible to confirm that a letter was issued to MPs, but Cllr Brennan will circulate a letter following her visit.</p> <p>UPDATE (30 Nov 2023) As a result of the current conflict in the Middle East the actions (see above) have not taken place as previously advised. The Cabinet Member and Officers are in regular discussions with the Jewish Community and the CST and will reconsider actions as a result of the conflict and increases in Antisemitism that have been seen.</p>
2.	16 June 2023	Developing the Co-ordinating OSC Scrutiny Work Programme 2023/24	A short briefing note on OFLOG, and its functions and powers, to be produced once more is known about it.	<p>COMPLETED</p> <p>The Head of Scrutiny and Committee Services circulated a briefing from the Centre of Governance and Scrutiny on this (via email) ahead of the January OSC Committee meeting.</p>

5.	15 Sept 2023	Financial Challenges – Scrutiny Contribution	Interim Director of Finance (Section 151 Officer) to ensure that information on statutory recommendations is forwarded to members.	IN PROGRESS / ONGOING
7.	15 Sept 2023	Financial Challenges – Scrutiny Contribution	Discussion be held with the Chair of the Audit Committee and OSC Chairs on how to modify work programmes and if such modifications are necessary to ensure that value was added in the context of financial challenges.	IN PROGRESS / ONGOING This is being picked up as part of work to respond to the CfGS Governance Review, especially recommendation 6 (<i>Strengthen working relationships between the Chairs of Scrutiny Committees and the Chair of the Audit Committee to lead and direct the function</i>) and recommendation 7 (<i>Put in place new arrangements for the support of the internal audit function, the audit committee, and the links between audit and scrutiny</i>).
9.	13 Oct 2023	Scrutiny of Delivery of 2023/24 Budget Savings and update on Council’s response to Section 114 Notice and Financial Recovery Plan.	That a cross-party/cross OSC Task and Finish Group led by Finance and Resources OSC be set up to discuss budgetary issues. This would be Chaired by the Chair of Finances and Resources OSC but involving the other Chairs of OSCs.	COMPLETED Final report considered by Finance and Resources OSC on 24 January ahead of recommendations be considered by Cabinet at the end of February and by Full Council in March.
10.	13 Oct 2023	Scrutiny Work Programme	The Chair highlighted that there would be a need for each of the scrutiny work programmes to refocus on the Council’s recovery, budget and improvement priorities to ensure the best use of Scrutiny resource and the time of officers across the council working with scrutiny.	IN PROGRES / ONGOING Information in relation to indicative priorities/workstreams for the Improvement and Recovery Plan, including proposed themes/outcomes, considered by all OSCs during January and February. Following this, Scrutiny Chairs collectively reviewed all work programmes as part of an informal meeting held on 23 February. Further work in this area will be supported

				by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny who held a workshop with the Committee on 23 February, with a second workshop scheduled for 15 March. This work will help to prioritise both budget and non-budget aspects of the scrutiny work programme and will help identify new ways of doing this work.
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