

LONDON BOROUGH OF CAMDEN	WARDS: ALL
REPORT TITLE: Disability Oversight Panel – Work Programme for 2022/23	
REPORT OF: Head of Corporate Strategy	
FOR SUBMISSION TO: Disability Oversight Panel	DATE: 10 January 2022
<p>SUMMARY OF REPORT</p> <p>This paper aims support the Disability Oversight Panel in deciding its priorities and focus for the remaining meetings in 2022/23.</p> <p>Local Government Act 1972 – Access to Information</p> <p>No documents that require listing were used in the preparation of this report</p> <p>Contact Officer: Osian Jones Head of Corporate Strategy 5 Pancras Square, N1C 4AG London Borough of Camden Phoebe.morris-jones@camden.gov.uk</p>	

1. Establishing the Disability Oversight Panel’s key priorities for the year

- 1.1 The Disability Oversight Panel (DOP) is able to meet formally up to three times a year alongside informal meetings convened by the Chair of Champions to discuss issues and activities that the DOP might wish to undertake.
- 1.2 The January 2023 meeting is the first formal meeting of the civic year 2022/23 for the DOP, and as a result it is requested that the Panel consider its work programme for the remaining meetings of the year, and issue it may wish to consider at future meetings.
- 1.3 The Disability Oversight Panel meets in three formats as a group:
 - The Chair convenes informal meetings of elected member Champions to discuss their work – these are organised by Members and are not part of this work programming;
 - There are formal Committee meetings (timetabled as three each civic year) at which the Chair and the Panel can request reports and updates from officers and services;

- There are public engagement Panel meetings (timetabled as three each civic year) at which the Chair and the Panel discuss a single topic or issue with residents and community members.

1.4 The Chair and the secretariat to the Panel are discussing dates for the remainder of the civic year 2022/23 but the Panel has requested to consider or review the following formal committee papers at its future meetings:

- An update on the British Sign Language (BSL) Bill
- An update on the Council's Special Educational Needs And Disabilities (SEND) Strategy and implementation

1.5 In addition to this the Panel can indicate which issues it may wish to focus on as part of public engagement sessions – some that have been suggested previously and the Panel may wish to discuss are:

- A focus on the Council's housing allocations services and policies;
- A focus on the leisure and wellbeing services and their accessibility;
- A focus on employment advice and support.

1.6 Officers would be grateful if the Panel members would discuss which issues and items it may wish to consider at future meetings.

2. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

2.1 The Borough Solicitor has reviewed and has no comments.

3. RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS

3.1 Finance officers have reviewed the report and have no comments.

4. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from this report.

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