| REPORT TO: | Employment Learning And Skills And Community Policy Performance Board |
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| DATE: | 23 rd September 2019 |
| REPORTING OFFICER: | Strategic Director, Enterprise, Communities and Resources |
| PORTFOLIO: | Economic Development |
| SUBJECT: | Scrutiny Topic Group Items 2019/20 |
| WARD(S) | Borough-wide |

1.0 **PURPOSE OF THE REPORT**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to propose the establishment of a topic group for Members to work on during 2019/20.

2.0 **RECOMMENDATION: That:**

- i) Members agree to the establishment of a topic group.
- ii) Members nominate representatives of the PPB to sit on the Topic Group.

3.0 SUPPORTING INFORMATION

- 3.1 Each year the PPB identifies a Scrutiny Topic that has the potential to inform and or change service delivery and may result in an amendment or improvement of a Council policy. Given reduced resources it is only possible to choose one topic area.
- 3.2 Members are invited to present topic group items for consideration.

4.0 **POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

4.1 There are no further policy implications at this stage.

5.0 OTHER/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report.

6.0 **IMPLICATIONS FOR THE COUNCIL'S PRIORITIES**

- 6.1 **Children & Young People in Halton**
- 6.2 **Employment, Learning & Skills in Halton**

There are a number of potential implications for this priority,

although the Topic Groups will consider the implications in more detail.

- 6.3 **A Healthy Halton** N/A
- 6.4 **A Safer Halton** N/A
- 6.5 Halton's Urban Renewal N/A

7.0 **RISK ANALYSIS**

- 7.1 There are no risks identified. However, in preparing for this Scrutiny Topic, the following key questions will be applied to ensure that Member and Officer time is used effectively.
 - 1. Have we chosen the right topic?
 - 2. What are we looking at?
 - 3. Why are we looking at this topic?
 - 4. What do we hope to achieve?
 - 5. Is the topic geared towards Halton's top priorities?

8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS UNDER SECTION 100D OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

8.1 There are no background papers under the meaning of the Act.