

Scrutiny Work Plan – Services and Communities Panel updated for the 2024/25 Year

Chair: Cllr Anderson Vice-Chair: Cllr Taylor

Panelists: Anderson, James, Johnson, Mahal, Nunn, Taylor, Whelband

| Meeting Date: 13th June 2024 | | | |
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| Report | Reason | Portfolio | Relevant Officer |
| Economic Development Strategy 2024-31 | To provide members of the Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel with the details on the Economic Development Strategy 2024/31. | Culture, Leisure, Economy and Tourism | Rebecca Tomlin |
| Criteria for Community Grants to Parish and Town Councils | To provide Members of the Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel with the details on Parishes and Town Council Grant Scheme. | Culture, Leisure, Economy and Tourism | Cat Hartley Rachael Felts |
| The Future of Public Open Space Management Across the District | To scrutinise the current policy approach to the maintenance and management of new public open spaces across the district and to consider a new approach to improve resident satisfaction. | Planning | David Atkinson |
| Meeting Date: 31st October 2024 | | | |
| Car Parking Strategy | To scrutinise the draft parking strategy including the options appraisal for future management and use of the council's parking assets. | Regulatory | Cat Hartley Elaine Bird |
| Community Safety Partnership Review | To scrutinise the current Community Safety Action Plan 2025-2025 To scrutinise the Anti-Social Behaviour policy and provide recommendations to Cabinet. | Wellbeing | Russell Smith Sarah Pickering |
| Meeting Date: 11th December 2024 | | | |
| Lightbulb [Update – As a new delivery model has not been | | Wellbeing | Cat Hartley Elaine Bird |

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| <p>finalised this item will not be considered by Scrutiny at this time, however a report is being taken to Cabinet in March to extend the current delegation for a further 12 months.]</p> <p>Platform Housing [Update - Following concerns raised about the customer responsiveness of Platform Housing Group, it is proposed that they are invited to a meeting of the Panel to discuss these concerns.</p> <p>This proposed work plan item was discussed at a meeting of the Panel on the 31st October 2024, and Members resolved to consider the matter via a Task and Finish Group. Officers are of the view that this route is not appropriate for a number of reasons, and would recommend reconsideration as a main Panel item.]</p> | | Wellbeing | Cat Hartley Steve Nash |
| Joint Budget Overview & Scrutiny Panel Meeting Date: 23rd January 2025 | | | |
| Draft Budget 2024/25 & the Medium-Term Financial Strategy (2025/26 to 2028/29) | To scrutinise the Draft Budget 2024/25 & Medium-Term Financial Strategy (2025/26 to 2028/29) (Annex 1) and provide comments to Cabinet for consideration. | Finance | Clive Mason |
| Meeting Date: 6th February 2025 | | | |

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| <p>The introduction of financial penalties as a form of enforcement to deal with non compliant animal welfare issues. [Report deferred to May meeting in order to finalise consultation outcomes from stakeholders]</p> <p>CCTV Monitoring Update and Options [Update – report deferred to future meeting due to the review currently taking place]</p> <p>Empty Property Strategy [Update – report considered at the Joint Budget O/S meeting on 22.1.25]</p> <p>Playing Pitch Strategy Review</p> | <p>To scrutinise the introduction of financial penalties as a form of enforcement to deal with non compliant animal welfare issues.</p> <p>To scrutinise the draft Empty Property Strategy and options for Council Tax Premiums and provide comments to Cabinet for consideration</p> <p>To scrutinise the Playing Pitch strategy and provide comments to Cabinet for consideration.</p> | <p>Environmental and Climate Change</p> <p>Wellbeing</p> <p>Wellbeing and Finance</p> <p>Planning Culture, Leisure, Economy and Tourism</p> | <p>Cat Hartley Elaine Bird Jessica Nicholls</p> <p>Cat Hartley Russell Smith Sarah Pickering</p> <p>Cat Hartley Clive Mason Elaine Bird Ian Bartlett</p> <p>David Atkinson Matthew Bills</p> |
| Meeting Date: 8th May 2025 | | | |
| <p>Special Expenses Review and Operation of Town Hubs</p> <p>Delivery of the UK Shared Prosperity Funding and Performance of Town Centre Master Plans</p> | | | |

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