

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
19 OCTOBER 2021

SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ROLLING WORK PLAN 2021-22

1. Summary

To identify further items for inclusion in the Committee's Rolling Work Plan for the final two meetings in the current 2021–22 municipal cycle.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee reviews the current Work Plan (attached at Appendix A to this report), agreed by Members at the last meeting of the Committee on 13 July 2021 [Min. No. 13 refers] and recommend accordingly.

3. Background and Discussion

3.1 The Scrutiny Committee's Terms of Reference (ToRs) make provision for the Committee to approve an Annual Scrutiny Work Programme and to allocate a timeframe for its consideration in a Work Plan to be reviewed and updated at each subsequent meeting of the Committee.

3.2 In considering whether a particular topic or function should be included in the Committee's Work Plan Members need to be mindful of the following:

(1) That the primary role of the Committee is to scrutinise decisions of the Cabinet that have either been taken or which are included in the Regulation 9 Notices [Forward Plan] for future consideration by Cabinet;

(2) That although the nature of the scrutiny will generally dictate who participates in the discussion process, inviting participation by other councils to give their experiences is *not* a scrutiny function; but one for the Policy Overview Committee which undertakes the overview function; to better inform future policy options for the Council;

(3) That discussions on policy statements also fall to the Policy Overview Committee to consider who hold the overview function, not the Scrutiny Committee; and

(4) That matters relating to crime and disorder, including anti-social behaviour (ASB) and Community Safety, fall within the remit of the Crime and Disorder (Overview & Scrutiny) Committee.

3.3 The Committee's Work Plan for the current 2021-22 municipal cycle is

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attached at Appendix A to this report. Members are asked to propose new items for possible inclusion in the final two meetings in the current municipal cycle in 2022.

3.4

The Work Plan may be supplemented with additional items on an *ad-hoc* basis [draw-downs] within the provisions and timescales of the Draw-Down process as set out in the Committee's Protocol.

4. Relationship to the Corporate Plan

Not applicable.

5. Financial, legal, staffing and other administrative implications and risk assessments

Financial Implications	None
Legal Implications	None
Staffing Implications	None
Administrative Implications	None
Risk Assessment	No uncertainties and/or constraints

6. Appendices

Appendix A: Scrutiny Committee Work Plan 2021-22

BACKGROUND PAPERS

<u>Documents consulted</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>File Ref</u>	<u>Report Author</u>	<u>Section and Directorate</u>	<u>Exempt Information Category</u>
2020-21 Committee Work Plan and July 2021 Minutes	30 Sept. 2021		David Hook Democratic Services (01322 343276)	Democratic Services/ Chief Officer & Director Corporate Services	N/A