



Wednesday, 18 September 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

A meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be held on Thursday, 26 September 2024 in the Council Chamber, Council Offices, Foster Avenue, Beeston, NG9 1AB, commencing at 6.00 pm.

Should you require advice on declaring an interest in any item on the agenda, please contact the Monitoring Officer at your earliest convenience.

Yours faithfully

Chief Executive

To Councillors:	S Dannheimer (Chair)	J M Owen
	T J Marsh (Vice-Chair)	A W G A Stockwell
	E Williamson (Vice-Chair)	C M Tideswell
	H L Crosby	S Webb
	K Harlow	E Winfield
	H Land	K Woodhead
	R D MacRae	

A G E N D A

1. Apologies

To receive apologies and to be notified of the attendance of substitutes.

2. Declarations of Interest

(Pages 7 - 14)

Members are requested to declare the existence and nature of any disclosable pecuniary interest and/or other interest in any item on the agenda.

3. Minutes

(Pages 15 - 18)

The Committee is asked to confirm as a correct record the minutes of the meeting held on 18 July 2024.

4. Consideration of Call - in

To consider any matter referred to the Committee for a decision in relation to the call in of a decision.

5. Update from The Leader of the Council

(Pages 19 - 22)

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting from the Leader of the Council with the recommendations of the scrutiny topics made at the Cabinet meeting held on 3 September 2024.

Cabinet
3 September 2024

Members considered the report that was submitted by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and stated that the recommendations were worthy of wider consideration. It was suggested that the Deputy Leader chair a working group to give consideration to the recommendations. Furthermore, the remit would include contextual issues of items such as the future of Kimberley Depot, the adequacy of disabled facilities across the estate, including toilet provision, while ensuring that there was consultation with the unions.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. The Deputy Leader chair a working group to consider the recommendations from the Overview and Scrutiny Committee in addition to subjects including the adequacy of toilet facilities in Council buildings, the future of Kimberley Depot and a selection of personnel issues.**
- 2. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee be requested to consider the topic of the Democratic Arrangements at the East Midlands Combined Counties Authority at a future meeting before reporting its findings to Cabinet.**

Reasons

1. The appointment of a working group will provide the flexibility necessary to undertake further review into the recommendations of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.
2. To enable a review into the Democratic Arrangements at the East Midlands Combined Counties Authority.

It was further recommended at the meeting that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee be requested to consider the topic of fines in relation to Environmental Enforcement.

6. Spotlight Review-Markets

A verbal update on Markets will be provided at the meeting from the Head of Planning and Economic Development.

Cabinet
3 October 2023

Cabinet received the findings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee Working Group's review into Markets.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee Working Group reviewed this topic with the purpose of discovering the effectiveness of the team and to review whether footfall in town centres had improved.

Cabinet thanked the Overview and Scrutiny Committee for the work undertaken during the review.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. To produce an annual market service business plan looking at the performance of the markets, event planning, and revenue forecasts to ensure the market is resourced and supported.**
- 2. Explore options of evening markets to increase footfall with the night time economy and to link in with events within the Borough.**
- 3. Research the opportunity of holding quarterly stallholder/stakeholder group meetings for feedback, improvements and sharing ideas. To ensure communication between Stallholders and the Market Officer are improved.**
- 4. To improve advertisements of markets across the Borough including using the Council website, social media and market trader websites. To promote days and times of the markets and list stall details.**
- 5. Provide the opportunity of a stall for free to Charities, to be booked through the Markets Officer each week.**
- 6. Explore opportunities of promoting Markets in the North of Borough as events rather than weekly markets. This could include themed markets such as vegan, locally produced food, and craft stalls.**
- 7. Explore the opportunities presented through the**

redevelopment of Victoria Street Car Park, Stapleford Town Deal project, for mixed use opportunities. Ensuring links to, and opportunities for, market developments in the Town Centre and explore other opportunities of further creative spaces across the Borough.

8. Increase the market layout within Beeston Square to include other areas of land that Broxtowe own, to create visibility from Public transport and provide additional income to the Council where possible.
9. To consider whether the Council should increase the permit charge of hiring Beeston Square to the Beeston Farmers Market or to explore options of bringing the Saturday market in house and generate additional income into the Council.
10. To consider the possibility of using empty building within town centres into pop up shops/restaurants and creative spaces as an indoor market concept.

Reasons

This is in accordance with the Council's corporate values of continuous improvement and delivering value for money

7. Recommendation from the Licensing and Appeals Committee

(Pages 23 - 24)

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the following reference from Licensing and Appeals Committee to add to its work programme.

Licensing and Appeals Committee
10 September 2024

Members were advised of the response to the consultation on the Council's draft revised Gambling Act 2005 Statement of Principles for 2025-2027. The Committee noted a number of comments that had been received following the consultation and agreed the recommendations from GamCare within Appendix 1 be considered by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

The Committee RECOMMENDS that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee consider the recommendations within Appendix 1 from GamCare at a future meeting.

8. Working Group Update

A verbal update will be provided at the meeting of the recent work of the Scrutiny Working Group.

9. Cabinet Work Programme

(Pages 25 - 26)

To inform the Committee of items on the Cabinet's work programme, from which items for scrutiny may be identified.

10. Work Programme

(Pages 27 - 30)

Committee is asked to approve its Work Programme, including identifying topics for scrutiny, that will help to achieve the Council's key priorities and associated objectives.