

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

THURSDAY, 9 JUNE 2022

Present: Councillor J C Patrick, Chair

Councillors: D K Watts (Vice-Chair)
S Easom (Vice-Chair)
M J Crow
S Dannheimer
J C Goold
M Hannah
P J Owen
R S Robinson
C M Tideswell
I L Tyler
J M Owen (Substitute)

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors L Fletcher and E Kerry.

1 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor I L Tyler declared an interest in the Broxtowe Lotto agenda item 7, minute number 6 refers.

2 **CONSIDERATION OF CALL IN**

There were no matters referred from the Committee for a decision in relation to the call in of a decision.

3 **RESPONSES OF THE CABINET OR DECISION MAKER TO REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE**

There were no matters arising from the Committee reports for responses from Cabinet or decision maker.

4 **ESTABLISHING EFFECTIVE SCRUTINY**

The Committee was informed of their specific powers and the opportunity to identify topics for scrutiny.

The Committee had been appointed to scrutinise the actions of the Executive and to review the policies and practices of the Council. It had the power to inquire, research and report on matters within its remit and could determine the topics selected for scrutiny. The Committee could 'call-in' decisions of the Executive within three days of the publication of Cabinet decisions.

RESOLVED that the process and forms for identifying topics for scrutiny be approved.

5 CABINET WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee noted the items on the Cabinet's work programme, from which items for scrutiny could be identified. Discussions ensued with the titles of reports on the Cabinet work programme being unclear. It was suggested to engage with the Portfolio holder for further information relating to the report. A recommendation to include a short paragraph detailing the content of the report that had a key decision would be included in future published key decision notices.

6 WORK PROGRAMME

Prior to this item being discussed Councillor R Robinson left the meeting.

The Committee identified topics for scrutiny from the suggestions provided by Councillors that was submitted to the Monitoring Officer. The work programme would help to achieve the Council's key priorities and associated objectives.

Members discussed the topics and it was agreed to scope three topics from the suggested list provided by Councillors.

- Telephone Answering and Customer Services
- Agile Working
- Housing Repairs

After scoping the first topic of Telephone Answering and Customer Services, The Committee proposed to delegate this topic to a working group consisting of five Members and would report their findings to future meetings of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee. A Chair and Vice Chair was appointed to this working group.

A recommendation to the Chair and Vice Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to scope two further 'bite size' topics separate to the main Committee was agreed by the Committee. Updates would be provided at the next meeting.

RESOLVED that:

- 1. The work programme, including topics for scrutiny be approved.**
- 2. Delegate to the Chair and Vice Chairs of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to scope the two 'bitesize' topics chosen by the Committee.**