

Report of the Monitoring Officer

Scrutiny Work Programme

1. Purpose of report

The purpose of this report is to request that Members aware of matters proposed for and undergoing scrutiny. This is in accordance with all of the Council's priorities.

2. Recommendation

The Committee is asked to CONSIDER the report and RESOLVE to agree subjects to be considered for review including those submitted as suggestions for Scrutiny.

3. Detail

Details of the reviews currently suggested on the work programme are within the appendix.

Members may wish to consider new topics using the criteria below for their current programme:

- Issues identified by Members as a key issue for the public
- Issue has a significant local impact
- Significant public dissatisfaction (e.g. through complaints)
- Issue raised by auditors
- New government guidance/legislation
- New evidence provided by external organisation
- Poor performance (e.g. evidence from performance indicators)
- High level budgetary commitment
- Pattern of budgetary overspending.

The work programme for the next meetings is as follows:

28 November 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update from the Scrutiny Working Group
20 January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Scrutiny • Update from the Scrutiny Working Group • Housing Repairs Update
21 January 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Budget Scrutiny • Update from the Scrutiny Working Group
27 February 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

4. Financial Implications

The comments from the Head of Finance were as follows:

There are no additional financial implications.

5. Legal Implications

The comments from the Head of Legal were as follows:

The terms of reference are set out in the Council's constitution. It is good practice to include a work programme to help the Council manage the portfolios.

6. Human Resources Implications

The comments from the Human Resources Manager were as follows:
Not Applicable

7. Union Comments

The comments from the Union were as follows:
Not Applicable

8. Climate Change Implications

The comments from the Head of Environment were as follows:
Not Applicable

9. Data Protection Compliance Implications

This report does not contain OFFICIAL(SENSITIVE) information. There are no Data Protection issues in relation to this report.

10. Equality Impact Assessment

There are no Equality Impact Assessment issues.

10. Background Papers

Nil

1. Topics Agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee

	Topic	Topic suggested by	Link to corporate priorities/values
1.	Disabled Facilities Grants	Councillor B C Carr	The Housing aim of a good quality home for everyone
3.	Child Poverty	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	A strong caring focus on the needs of all communities
4.	Budget Consultation	Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Continuous improvement and delivering value for money
5.	Homes for Life	Councillor S J Carr agreed by Overview and Scrutiny Committee	The Housing aim of a good quality home for everyone
6.	Building Control	Councillor B C Carr agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to put on hold. Awaiting the outcome of a report to Cabinet.	Continuous improvement and delivering value for money
7.	Diversity and Inclusion at the Council	Councillor S Dannheimer agreed by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee	A strong caring focus on the needs of all communities
8..	Resident Engagement Review	Cabinet	A strong caring focus on the needs of all communities

2. Spotlight Reviews

1.	Housing Repairs Service Review	Six Month Review	The Housing aim of a good quality home for everyone
2.	Markets	Six Month Review	Continuous improvement and delivering value for money
3.	D. H Lawrence Museum	Six Month Review	Continuous improvement and delivering value for money