

# OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

MONDAY, 19 JANUARY 2026

Present: Councillor S Dannheimer, Chair

Councillors: J M Owen (Vice-Chair)  
S J Carr  
H L Crosby  
H J Faccio  
H Land  
C M Tideswell  
E Winfield  
S Jeremiah (substitute)  
T Marsh (substitute)  
P Owen (substitute)

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Macrae, C Harlow, K Woodhead, S Webb and A Stockwell.

## 77 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Stephen Jeremiah declared that he had recently been appointed to the board of Liberty Leisure, but would not leave the room for that item as he had not yet attended his first meeting. The Chairman stated that he is a Director of Liberty Leisure and so will leave the meeting for that item.

## 78 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of Monday, 15 December 2025 were confirmed as a true and accurate record.

## 79 CONSIDERATION OF CALL - IN

There were no declarations to be considered.

## 80 PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK – BUSINESS PLANNING AND BUDGET SETTING

Members noted the performance and financial management framework used to support the business planning and budget setting process. This was in accordance with all of the Councils priorities.

81 COMMUNITY SAFETY - BUSINESS PLANS AND FINANCIAL ESTIMATES 2026/27 - 2028/29

The Committee considered the proposals for the business plan, revenue budget estimates, capital programme and proposed fees and charges in respect of the Council's priority area of Community Safety. The priorities and objectives for Community Safety were a safe place for everyone by reducing anti-social behaviour (ASB) in Broxtowe, working with partners to reduce violence and improve public safety, and reducing drug and alcohol use. Key lines of enquiry from Members were:

- Setting of targets for reduction of ASB should be against baseline figures.
- The changes in certain licensing charges, with discussion about those that are statutory and those that are discretionary.
- Partnership working with the Police on areas such as serious organised crime and fraud.
- Availability of grant funding in future years.

**The Committee RECOMMENDED that:**

- 1. Cabinet approves the Community Safety Business Plan.**
- 2. Cabinet recommends to Council that the following be approved:**
  - a) The detailed revenue budget estimates for 2025/26 (base)**
  - b) The capital programme for 2025/26 to 2027/28**
  - c) The fees and charges for 2025/26.**

82 LEISURE AND HEALTH - BUSINESS PLANS AND FINANCIAL ESTIMATES 2026/27 - 2028/29

The Committee considered the proposals for the business plan, revenue budget estimates, capital programme and proposed fees and charges in respect of the Council's priority area of Leisure and Health. The priorities and objectives for Leisure and Health were to reduce anti-social behaviour in Broxtowe, work with partners to reduce violence and improve public safety, and to reduce drug and alcohol use. Key lines of enquiry from Members were:

- Internal and external works at the D.H. Lawrence Birthplace Museum, it's budget and subsidies.
- The Stapleford Pavillion will make a loss this financial year as it has only been open months, but a surplus is expected from next year.
- The Bramcote Leisure Centre, reserve budget plans for work there should funding become available, and the final business case expected in March.
- Concerns around air quality in specific wards, and how the Council's air quality targets are arrived at.

**The Committee RECOMMENDED that:**

- 1. Cabinet approves the Leisure and Health Business Plan.**
- 2. Cabinet recommends to Council that the following be approved:**

- a) The detailed revenue budget estimates for 2025/26 (base)
- b) The capital programme for 2025/26 to 2027/28
- c) The fees and charges for 2025/26.

83 ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE - BUSINESS PLANS AND FINANCIAL ESTIMATES 2026/27 - 2028/29

The Committee considered the proposals for the business plan, revenue budget estimates, capital programme and proposed fees and charges in respect of the Council's priority area of Environment and Climate Change. The priorities and objectives for Environment and Climate Change were to reduce carbon emissions and improve air quality, continue to invest in our parks and open spaces, and to reduce the amount of waste disposed of in the black-lidded bin and increase recycling and composting. Key lines of enquiry from Members were:

- Targets, guidance and funding from government to help meet recycling targets.
- Income generated and costs of food and garden waste subscriptions.
- Fixed penalty notice (FPN) rates.
- The *Smokefree Sidelines* campaign and inspections for simpler recycling.
- The pre-paid cremation plan, replacement cremators, the woodland burials project, and other developments in Bereavement Services.

**The Committee RECOMMENDED that:**

1. Cabinet approves the Environment and Climate Change Business Plan.
2. Cabinet recommends to Council that the following be approved:

- a) The detailed revenue budget estimates for 2025/26 (base)
- b) The capital programme for 2025/26 to 2027/28
- c) The fees and charges for 2025/26.

84 CABINET WORK PROGRAMME

The Committee noted the Cabinet Work Programme.

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The Committee considered its work programme, and discussed adding items on taxis licensing and calculations of missed bin collections.

**RESOLVED that the work programme be approved.**