

SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMMES

Public Service Delivery, Communities & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee

'Holding the Executive to account in respect of all three priorities within the Council's Corporate Plan....Economy (Building a strong economy), People (Promoting independence and positive lives for everyone), Place (Creating neighbourhoods where people are proud to live and work).'

Each of the Council's Scrutiny Committees is responsible for setting and agreeing its own work programme by identifying a list of themes and topics which fall under the remit of each individual Scrutiny Committee. Following discussion with the Chair, Vice Chair and Scrutiny Members a practical, realistic and timetabled programme can then be developed.

The scrutiny forward work programmes should provide a clear rationale as to why particular issues have been selected; be outcome focussed; ensure that the method of scrutiny is best suited to the topic area and the outcome desired; align scrutiny programmes with the council's performance management, self-evaluation and improvement arrangements.

Throughout the year, there are a number of ways in which additional issues can be considered for inclusion in the Scrutiny Work Programme and ideas for inclusion may come from a number of sources such as:-

- Individual Councillors;
- Performance or budget monitoring information;
- Inspection reports;
- Referrals from Council (such as Notices of Motion), Cabinet/Audit or other scrutiny committees;
- Service users;
- Monitoring the implementation of recommendations previously made by the Committee; and
- Local Residents

The Cabinet is also required to produce forward work programmes and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee keeps abreast of forthcoming items or topics which may enable scrutiny to be involved in the development of Council policy prior to its formal consideration by Cabinet. It is important to bear in mind that an element of flexibility is applied to each individual work programme that provides Committees with the capacity to scrutinise new / urgent issues that arise during the year. For this reason the Scrutiny Work Programmes will be published for a 6 month period and reviewed every quarter.

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Date/Time	Item	Officer	Cabinet Member	Invited/ In attendance	Scrutiny Focus
12 November 2020	Impact of Covid 19 on Recycling and Residual Waste in RCT	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		To understand the impacts of the global pandemic on the recycling figures in the Borough. How has the service area responded to the challenges
14 January 2021	Community Recycling Centres	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		Operation of the Community Recycling Centres during the COVID19 pandemic. Updates on new developments Performance of the Material Recycling Facility
	Bryn Pica	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		To discuss new developments pending at the Bryn Pica site and how these will be implemented.
11th February 2021	Parks and Countryside	Nigel Wheeler Dave Batten	Cllr Ann Crimmings Cllr Rhys Lewis		To update the Committee on the work of the Parks and Countryside team and how they have been impacted by the Covid-19 Pandemic
18 March 2021	Enforcement and PSPO	Nigel Wheeler Alistair Critchlow	Cllr Ann Crimmings Cllr Rhys Lewis		To include enforcement figures in relation to Litter and Flytipping. How many incidents have there been? How many fines have been issued?
29 April 2021	Climate Change	Nigel Wheeler			

Other Areas for exploration:-

Parking enforcement partnership

Trade Waste Presentation	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		To inform Scrutiny of the new legislation that will come into effect in July 2021 on how trade waste is collected and disposed of
Parking Enforcement Partnership	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		
CRC's	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		To keep members informed of progress of the CRC's following the Scrutiny Committee in January 2021
Recycling and Residual Waste	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings		To keep members informed of progress of the Recycling and Residual Waste service and how they are continuing to operate under COVID-19 restrictions How the Authority are working towards the Welsh Government target of 70% of waste to be recycled by 2024/25 What changes will have to be made by the Authority and residents to achieve the target?
Recycling in Secondary Schools	Nigel Wheeler	Cllr Ann Crimmings Cllr Joy Rosser		To consider how secondary schools in the Borough can increase their recycling rates to contribute to the Welsh Government's targets for the recycling of waste which are 70% recycling by 2025 for waste from households and commercial and industrial businesses.

