

Scrutiny Work Programme 2023 Update and Suggestions for Scrutiny

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Decisions Plan: This item is not included in the decisions plan.

Wards impacted: Not applicable.

Recommendation: It is recommended that Overview and Scrutiny Committee:

- 1. Reviews and notes the status of topics currently scheduled in its rolling work programme for 2023, attached at Appendix 1.**
- 2. Resolves to include "Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership Review" into its forward work programme for 2023-2024.**
- 3. Approves the scoping document for the Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership Review, attached at Appendix 2.**

- 4. Approves the terms of reference for the Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership Review Task and Finish Group, attached at Appendix 3, and identifies members who would be willing to be part of the group.**
- 5. Resolves to include “Transport and Infrastructure” into its forward work programme for 2023-2024.**
- 6. Approves the scoping document for the Transport and Infrastructure Review, attached at Appendix 5.**
- 7 Approves the terms of reference for the Transport and Infrastructure Review Task and Finish Group, attached at Appendix 6, and identifies members who would be willing to be part of the group.**

1. Context to this report

1.1 Scrutiny Rolling Work Programme

- 1.1.1 The Committee has a rolling work programme whereby suggestions for scrutiny reviews are brought to each meeting, following the completion of the work programme suggestion form, and if accepted, are timetabled to report to a future meeting.
- 1.1.2 The work programme also leaves space for Call-ins and Councillor Calls for Action.
- 1.1.3 The current position of the work programme, including any Task and Finish Group(s) or Review Group(s), and items currently agreed is attached at **Appendix 1**.

2. Proposals within this report

2.1 Suggestion for Scrutiny: Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership Review

- 2.1.1 At its meeting held on 15 June 2023, Councillor Sarah Broughton suggested the Committee could undertake a review of the Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership, which was a piece of work which Cabinet and the Portfolio Holder were supportive for the Committee to carry out.
- 2.1.2 Attached at **Appendix 2** for the Committee's consideration is the scoping document setting out the key lines of enquiry for this review.
- 2.1.3 If supported, it is proposed that a small group of members would form a Task and Finish Group and work on the review and make recommendations to the committee.
- 2.1.4 If members would like to be part of the review, they are requested to highlight this at the meeting so that work can commence from September 2023 (as set out in **Appendix 2**) and the Terms of Reference attached at **Appendix 3**.

2.2 Suggestion for Scrutiny: Transport and Infrastructure

- 2.2.1 At its meeting held on 15 June 2023, Councillor Sarah Broughton suggested the Committee could review the planning of transport and infrastructure to assist with the development of future local plans. It was noted that this would not include the current work on developing a local plan and instead would be to get upstream to help influence future local plans.

- 2.2.2 As a follow-up to this, Councillor Sarah Broughton completed a work programme suggestion form, which is attached at **Appendix 4** for the Committee's consideration along with a scoping document setting out the key lines of enquiry (**Appendix 5**).
- 2.2.3 If supported, it is proposed that a small group of members would meet alongside officers to work on the review, with a view to making recommendations.
- 2.2.4 If members would like to be part of the review, they are requested to highlight this at the meeting. The Terms of Reference are attached at **Appendix 6**

3. Appendices referenced in this report

- 3.1 Appendix 1 – Scrutiny Work Programme 2023
- Appendix 2 – Scoping Document and Key Lines of Enquiry: Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership Review
- Appendix 3 – Terms of Reference: Abbeycroft Leisure Strategic Partnership Review
- Appendix 4 – Completed Work Programme Suggestion Form – Transport and Infrastructure
- Appendix 5 – Scoping Document and Key Lines of Enquiry: Transport and Infrastructure
- Appendix 6 – Terms of Reference: Transport and Infrastructure Review

4. Background documents associated with this report

- 4.1 None