



WORK PROGRAMME – 2021/2022

Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee

The Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee is the Council's principal scrutiny committee. It is responsible for co-ordinating and approving the scrutiny work programmes, overseeing the work of the Scrutiny Committees and ensuring coherence of approach to cross cutting policy themes. The committee also has a key role in challenging progress around the Council's ambitions of running the business well.

The Committee also scrutinises those areas of the County Council's activity focused on corporate improvement. Its remit covers:

- Holding the Leader and Deputy Leader of the Council to account for achievement of the overall vision of a connected Staffordshire.
- The Council's overall performance and approach to managing performance and Strategic Corporate Planning
- The Council's Medium-Term Financial Strategy
- The Council's on-going programme of improvement and transformation.
- The Committee is responsible for scrutiny of achievement against the Council's strategic priorities
- The Council as a commissioning organisation including how it uses customer insight to drive improvements in services

We review our work programme regularly to ensure it remains relevant to the challenges facing local communities, the council and its partners.

County Councillor Colin Greatorex
Chairman of the Corporate Review Committee

If you would like to know more about our work programme or how to raise issues for potential inclusion on a work programme then, please get in touch with or Nick Pountney - Scrutiny and Support Manager – Nicholas.pountney@staffordshire.gov.uk 01785 276153.

Date of Meeting	Topic	Link to Council's Strategic Priorities	Background/Outcome
10 June 2021	Induction to the Committee and Work Programme Planning Member: Alan White/Ian Parry Officer: John Tradewell, Rob Salmon/Nick Pountney		
2 July 2021 Reserved for Call In			
29 July 2021	Performance Report – Quarter 2 2020/21 Member: Alan White/Ian Parry Officer: John Tradewell, Rob Salmon		
	Appointment of the MTFS Working Group Officer: Carol Bloxham/Nick Pountney		
6 August 2021 Reserved for Call in			
7 September 2021			
1 October 2021 Reserved for Call In			
5 October 2021			
8 November 2021 Reserved for Call In			
16 November 2021			

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3 December 2021			
7 January 2022 Reserved for Call In			
20 January 2022			
4 February 2022 Reserved for Call In			
4 March 2022 Reserved for Call In			
29 March 2022			
5 April 2022 Reserved for Call In			
TBC	Equal Opportunities		<p>Raised at 3/7/20 committee – need more equality areas in the work programme. Discussion with Chair and Vice Chairs/officers 6/10/20.</p> <p>Draft paper being prepared, setting out the current position from both a community and workforce perspective. Focus groups to be arranged. Following this a general refresh of Equality Objectives will be carried out. Then report to Corporate Review for scrutiny and to inform the committee of the areas which need priority.</p>
TBC	Governance and control of Arm's length companies/partners. E.g. Nexxus / Entrust / AMEY. Particularly in light of Robin Hood Energy/Nottingham City Council. What is out process, how is performance measured, how are contract changes		Item discussed with Chair and Vice Chairs. MTFS to look at financial aspects. Report requested for early 2021, possibly January in line with MTFS findings.

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	negotiated, what influence do we have. Member: Philip White Officer: Helen Riley /Darryl Eyers/John Tradewell/ Ian Turner		
TBC	Digital Strategy Member: Ian Parry		Digital Strategy requested at 10 January 2020 meeting. Also requested by Prosperous Committee.

Items for Consideration for the Work Programme

Suggested item	Link to the Council's Commissioning Plans	Background	Possible Option
Networks – E.g. Leaders group/CE groups/LGA - how is the information shared?		Discussed at Chairs/Vice Chairs meeting 07/10/20	
Scrutiny of the LEP Member: Philip White Officers: Darryl Eyers/Anthony Hodges			

Working Group updates

MTFS 2021/22	Appointment of Members 2021	Membership •	Observers
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Membership - County Councillors	Calendar of Committee Meetings
Colin Greatorex (Chairman) Conor Wileman (Vice Chairman - Overview) Gill Heath (Vice Chairman – Scrutiny) Charlotte Atkins Tina Clements Mike Davies Jeremy Oates Jeremy Pert Bernard Peters James Salisbury Bob Spencer Samantha Thompson Mike Worthington	10 June 2021 2 July 2021 reserved for call in 11 June 2021 3 July 2021 29 July 2021 6 August 2021 reserved for call in 7 September 2021 1 October 2021 reserved for call-in 5 October 2021 8 November 2021 reserved for call-in 16 November 2021 3 December 2021 reserved for call-in 7 January 2022 reserved for call-in 20 January 2022 4 February 2021 reserved for call-in 29 March 2021 5 April 2022 reserved for call-in