

2023/24 Scrutiny Work Programme

Item	Detail	Attendance required	Timescale	Forum/Progress
'Quick wins'				
Retail Strategy	To explore current use of existing and future retail spaces. Are we using them in the most appropriate way?	Tracy Gaskin	20 th September	Explored as part of the Economic Development Strategy at Scrutiny Commission – Completed
The Council's approach to Graffiti & Littering	Is there more that the council can do to ensure a quick resolution to this? Including the removal of graffiti from privately owned land?	Caroline Harbour Phil Fasham	Tues 24 th October	Task & Finish 1 meeting In progress - Requires an additional meeting to consider draft FPN levels and draft policy. (Apr 2024 – TBC)
Commercial Strategy	To review our approach.	Justin Henry and Sarah Pennelli	Tues 12 December	Task & Finish 1 meeting Completed
High Priority Areas				
Parks and Open Spaces Strategy	To review the 11 objectives set out in the Parks & Open Spaces Strategy.	Paul Coates Pete Williams Kayleigh Waight Cllr. Nigel Grundy	Monday 4 December 2023	Task & Finish 1 meeting Completed – Scrutiny have requested an additional meeting to review which objectives have been achieved from the Strategy. (December 2024-TBC)
Budget Scrutiny process	Annual scrutiny of budgets.	Sarah Pennelli, Portfolio Holders	10 th , 17 th , 24 th January	All non-executive Members In progress
The Council's plans for historic waste sites	Following completion of the Contaminated Land strategy, commission to feed into the action plans. To scrutinise identified risks and prioritisation to ensure the correct actions are being taken at the correct times.	Anna Farish	TBC – date to be set	Working Group
HR Review	To continue and 'wrap-up' the commission's work on current HR provision at The Council.		5 March TBC	Task & Finish 2 meetings

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Net Zero by 2050 target To incorporate the Parks & Open Spaces /Footpath strategies.	To look at our community leadership role in championing our net zero ambitions (for example working with parishes and other external partners). Are we doing enough, quickly enough?	Anna Farish Nick Fear Jill Stevenson	Monday 11 th March Confirmed	Working Group
Medium Priority Areas				
iPlan Workshop (Corporate Measures)	To examine areas of concern, trends and poor performance through iPlan – the Council's Corporate Measures system.	Luke Clements	Confirmed: Tuesday 21 November 2023 (Brooks Room) Wednesday 24 April (Park Room) Wednesday 24 July (Brooks Room) Thursday 26 September 2024 (Brooks Room)	All Commission Members as a Working Group to log into iPlan 21 November – Members were successful in logging into iPlan. Queries were raised on P1 Measures which have now been added onto a spreadsheet for senior officers to respond to. One of the key areas raised was that you could not easily find the underperforming areas.
Homelessness & Social Housing	Following the member training session scheduled for 18 December, commission to scope how Scrutiny may feed into this.	TBC		TBC (Original date: 25 October – cancelled due to extraordinary Council meeting)
Transforming Blaby Together' Strategy	Following completion of the strategy, commission to receive a progress update on the implementation of action plans.	Lisa Boland	10 April Confirmed	Scrutiny Commission
New Waste Collection Scheme	Scrutiny to feed into and examine the Council's proposed approach.	Paul Coates	Awaiting further Government guidance before timelines can	TBC

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			be established.	
Low Priority Areas				
Flood Resilience	To be looked at depending on the progress of higher priority issues.			
2023/24 Net Zero Target	To be looked at depending on the progress of higher priority issues.			
Scrutiny of Scrutiny	Only to be looked at after the new Scrutiny Commission has had sufficient opportunity to progress work, and it is still felt appropriate.			

Items to be taken up in another forum:

Current IT Provision: Member Reference Group has been established for IT specialist members to feed in to future IT provision.