

Scrutiny Work Programme

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Issue for Main Scrutiny Cttee	Budget	Background/Description	Lead Officer/ Lead Member
28 Feb '17	Discretionary Housing Payments	✓		Final report of the Task and Finish Group.	Ian Potter
9 May '17 TBC	Rural Lettings Policy			Following the work of the Consent to Dispose and Local Connections Task and Finish Group it is recommended that Scrutiny review the SSDC rural lettings policy. Colin McDonald will attend the meeting to discuss.	Colin McDonald
TBC	Troubled Families Programme	✓		Members requested an update report on the progress of the troubled families following a report covering the work of South Somerset Together, Local Strategic Partnership. A specific report request needs to be compiled.	Helen Rutter
TBC	Review of Economic Development Strategy	✓		This Strategy is due for review and Scrutiny members have previously been involved in the review and development of this Policy. The Lead Officer has agreed that Scrutiny involvement will be factored in to the review process and we will be kept informed regarding the most appropriate point for effective Scrutiny engagement.	David Julian / Cllr Jo Roundell Greene.
TBC	Review of Performance Indicators	✓		Officers previously indicated to the Scrutiny Committee that work was planned to review the current suite of performance indicators. This work is dependent on the revision of the Council Plan and assurance has been given that provision will be made for effective Scrutiny engagement in this process.	Andrew Gillespie Charlotte Jones Cllr Ric Pallister
TBC	Increased Joint Working Between Police Forces			At the meeting of Scrutiny Committee on 30 August 2016, the SSDC representative on the Police and Crime Panel requested that there be a report looking at the proposals for increased joint working between police forces across the South West.	Emily McGuinness

The Somerset Waste Board and Somerset Waste Partnership Forward Plan of key decisions can be viewed at:
<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/policies-and-plans/plans/cabinet-forward-plan/>

Current Task & Finish Reviews

Date Commenced	Title	Members
13 May 2016	Discretionary Housing Payment Policy (DHP)	TBC – to be commenced only upon completion of the Journey of Exploration Task and Finish.
June 2016	Review of Street Trading Policy	Requested by Service Manager to look at reviewing current Street Trading Policy with a view to producing a report for November 2016 Council. Cllrs Jason Baker, Neil Bloomfield, Val Keitch, Rob Stickland and Martin Wale.
September 2016	NNDR discretionary relief policy review –	The changes from the revised policy have taken affect from 1 st of April, this has resulted in some more feedback from ratepayers, the Task and Finish group will review this and changes in legislation regarding mandatory relief to ensure the policy still achieves what it set out to do and that the impact of the changes to mandatory relief are taken into account.
8 August 2016	How the Community Council for Somerset and South Somerset District Council could work better together to achieve more and better outcomes for the community.	Scrutiny Committee members invited Community Council for Somerset to work with them to identify areas where closer working could be of benefit to each organisation. Cllrs Clare Aparicio paul, Mike Beech, John Clarke, Tim Inglefield, Val Keitch, Mike Lewis and Alan Smith will be following this up by looking at sample projects to learn how to navigate obstacles such as data sharing agreements.
September 2016	Review of elements and proposals to establish a combined authority should members agree at Full Council to make an 'in principle' decision to create a Combined Authority.	Cllrs John Clark and Sue Osborne.
November 2016	Looking to establish if the Right to Buy clawback monies (from the sale of Yarlington Homes properties to residents who were secure tenants of SSDC before the housing stock was sold) should be ring-fenced specifically for the purpose of helping to fund the creation of additional homes across South Somerset.	Cllrs Clare Aparicio Paul, Mike Beech, Amanda Broom, Michael Lewis, Sue Osborne, David Recardo, Derek Yeomans, Colin Winder.