



Scrutiny Committee

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This report summarises the work of the Scrutiny Committee since the last report to Council in September 2021.

Since the last report, the committee have met informally, on 5 October 2021. Minutes of the meeting can be viewed on the website at:

<https://modgov.southsomerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=141&Year=0>

The Committee have continued to consider the reports going before District Executive and providing 'critical friend' challenge.

The Committee continues to provide feedback and support to officers in relation to governance and policy development, i.e. 24th August CIL governance workshop with Lead Specialist Economic Development.

Representatives from the Scrutiny Committee have attended Joint Scrutiny Panels for Somerset Waste Partnership and Somerset Rivers Authority, and this representation has been invaluable in understanding how these services are delivered in South Somerset.

At the October meeting, the committee reviewed the Scrutiny Work Programme. Several items have now been completed and removed, and some items removed or postponed due to the impact Local Government Reorganisation has had on corporate priorities. The Scrutiny Committee would welcome the opportunity to assist with the ongoing Local Government Reorganisation work streams, and there is space in the work programme to accommodate this.

The Scrutiny and Member Development Specialist invites all members and officers to feed matters of interest into the scrutiny work programme. Anyone who wishes to submit an item/issue for scrutiny review can email:

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Gerard Tucker
Scrutiny Committee Chairman
