

## Scrutiny Work Programme

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Background/Description	Lead Officer/ Lead Member
March 2022	Flooding in South Somerset	Regarding the recent flooding in Chard and other areas across the district, Scrutiny committee have expressed concern about how the various public and private sector bodies responsible for flood management are mitigating further damage and devastation caused by the extreme flooding in South Somerset. Waiting for SCC Section 19 flood investigation report.	Specialist Scrutiny and Member Development Cllr Gerard Tucker
March 2022	S106 SWAP audit findings	Following concerning findings from a recent SWAP report, members have asked for an update on S106. There is a project team currently working on improvements to S106 governance, and the Locality Team Manager will come back with an update as soon as he is able.	Locality Team Manager
March 2022	Customer Connect	Following a number of concerns raised by Scrutiny members on behalf of residents, Scrutiny committee will receive a verbal update on customer enquiry processes and call waiting times.	Customer Connect Team Manager

The Somerset Waste Board and Somerset Waste Partnership Forward Plan of key decisions can be viewed at:

<http://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/mgListPlans.aspx?RPId=196&RD=0>

Agendas and minutes for the Heart of the South West (HotSW) Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) Joint Scrutiny Committee can be viewed at:

<https://democracy.devon.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=456&Year=0>

Agendas and minutes of the Joint Scrutiny Panel of Somerset Waste Board can be viewed at:

<https://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=356&Year=0>

Agendas and minutes of the Joint Scrutiny Panel of Somerset Rivers Authority can be viewed at:

<https://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=351&Year=0>

## Current Task & Finish Reviews

Date Commenced	Title and Purpose	Members
<i>ON HOLD</i>	<p><b>Productivity Analysis</b></p> <p>Understanding the cost of services, products and process.</p> <p>Quarterly workshops focussed on assisting officers with a review of fees and charges across service delivery areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Pest Control</li> <li>2) Licencing</li> </ul>	<p>Cllr Robin Bastable, Cllr Brian Hamilton, Cllr Crispin Raikes and Cllr Gerard Tucker. (with the Income &amp; Opportunities Manager)</p>
<i>ON HOLD</i>	<p><b>Flooding in South Somerset</b></p> <p>Regarding the recent flooding in Chard and other areas across the district, members of the Scrutiny committee have called for a Task and Finish group to understand the issues and work with stakeholders to mitigate flooding at a local level.</p>	<p>Cllr Gerard Tucker, Cllr Sue Osborne (chair), Cllr Robin Bastable, Other members: Cllr Mike Stanton, Cllr Gina Seaton, (with the Specialist Scrutiny and member Development)</p>
January 2022	<p><b>SSDC Council Plan Annual Review</b></p> <p>Strategic planning workshop to review and update the corporate plan and identify priority projects for the coming year.</p>	<p>Cllr Gerard Tucker, Cllr Robin Bastable, Cllr Sue Osborne, Cllr Karl Gill, Cllr Brian Hamilton, Cllr Charlie Hull (with the Assistant Director Strategy and Support Services and Lead Specialist Strategic planning)</p>

If you have any suggested topics for Scrutiny Committee to consider please contact Specialist (Members) – [stephanie.gold@southsomerset.gov.uk](mailto:stephanie.gold@southsomerset.gov.uk)

### Other Scrutiny working groups/workshops/matters of interest

Meeting date	Title	Description	Officers/Members
8 <sup>th</sup> February 2022	LGR Joint Scrutiny committee	The representatives from the LGR Joint Scrutiny committee will provide verbal updates as appropriate. SSDC Scrutiny committee members may use this time to feed into the work programme of the LGR Joint Scrutiny committee.	Cllr Brian Hamilton, Cllr Paul Maxwell
TBC	Role of Scrutiny & Audit	Refresher on the role of both Scrutiny and Audit, with a clear definition of the lines between the two functions.	All members of Scrutiny and Audit with Specialist Scrutiny and Member development and S105 Monitoring officer.

Papers for the Local Government Reorganisation Joint Scrutiny Committee can be viewed at:

<https://democracy.somerset.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=420&Year=0>