

Report to:	TOURISM, ECONOMY AND COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
Relevant Officer:	Sharon Davis, Scrutiny Manager
Date of Meeting:	3 February 2021

SCRUTINY WORKPLAN

1.0 Purpose of the report:

- 1.1 The Committee to consider the Workplan and to monitor the implementation of Committee recommendations, together with any suggestions that Members may wish to make for scrutiny review topics.

2.0 Recommendation(s):

- 2.1 To approve the Committee Workplan 2020-2021, taking into account any suggestions for amendment or addition.
- 2.2 To monitor the implementation of the Committee's recommendations/action.
- 2.3 To consider a referral from the Audit Committee to undertake CCTV Scrutiny
- 2.4 To note the outcome of the Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Review Panel.

3.0 Reasons for recommendation(s):

- 3.1 To ensure that recommendations/actions are being monitored, the Workplan is up to date and is an accurate representation of the Committee's work.
- 3.2a Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council? No
- 3.2b Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved budget? N/A
- 3.3 Other alternative options to be considered:
None.

4.0 Council Priority:

4.1 N/A

5.0 Background Information

5.1 Scrutiny Workplan 2020/2021

5.1.1 The Workplan is a flexible document that sets out the work that the Committee will undertake over the course of the year.

5.1.2 Committee Members are invited, either now or in the future, to suggest topics that might be suitable for scrutiny in order that they be added to the Workplan.

5.2 Monitoring Implementation of Recommendations

5.2.1 The table attached at Appendix 10(c) has been developed to assist the Committee in effectively ensuring that the recommendations made by the Committee are acted upon. The table will be regularly updated and submitted to each Committee meeting.

5.2.2 Members are requested to consider the updates provided in the table and ask follow up questions as appropriate to ensure that all recommendations are implemented

5.3 Scrutiny Review Checklist

5.3.1 The Scrutiny Review Checklist is attached at Appendix 10(b). The checklist forms part of the mandatory scrutiny procedure for establishing review panels and must therefore be completed and submitted for consideration by the Committee, prior to a topic being approved for scrutiny.

5.3.2 The Committee is recommended to place an emphasis on the priorities and performance of the Council when considering requests for scrutiny reviews.

5.4 CCTV Scrutiny Referral

5.4.1 At its 30 November 2020 meeting the Audit Committee referred the issue of scrutiny of the upcoming review of CCTV to the TEC Scrutiny Committee. Details of the decision can be found in the Audit Committee Minutes from November, outlined below;

5.4.2 *“Mr John Blackledge, Director of Community and Environmental Services reported that CCTV was a challenging area which had previously experienced underinvestment. He outlined the response to the audit’s findings which included an exercise to remove*

or replace redundant or non-functioning equipment to be undertaken; a full assessment of the condition of all CCTV signage; an exercise to undertake a full survey of the current CCTV provision in order to update the inventory; advice to be sought from the Procurement team regarding the tender of all aspects of the CCTV project; an appropriately experienced dedicated project manager to be resourced to ensure that the CCTV project would be effectively managed; advice from the Information Governance Team to be obtained regarding a Data Protection Impact Assessment which would incorporate changes to be made to the CCTV provision as part of the project and the possibility of providing neighbouring local authorities with CCTV provision would be explored. Mr Blackledge acknowledged the scale of the project and advised that work would span a period of 18 months. Due to the amount of work involved, the Committee agreed to make a recommendation to the Tourism, Economy and Communities Scrutiny Committee to offer support and assistance to the CCTV review.”

5.4.3 The Committee is therefore asked to consider if this is a topic it wish to include on the Workplan.

5.5 **Community Safety Partnership Review Panel**

5.5.1 On 2 December 2020 members of the Tourism, Economy and Communities Scrutiny Committee held a review panel meeting to consider the Community Safety Partnership Annual Report 2020.

5.5.2 The review panel made the following comments to be taken into consideration during development of the strategy;

- That the 2021 meeting of the Community Safety Partnership Scrutiny Review Panel input into the draft Community Safety Plan 2022;
- That the following information be provided electronically to Members of the Review Panel;
 - The number of reported incidents of domestic abuse and subsequent convictions;
 - Details of the number of reports of sexual abuse and rape, the number of prosecutions undertaken and the number of convictions achieved, along with a comparison of national trends;
 - The latest statistics regarding burglaries in Blackpool; and
 - The latest statistics regarding reoffending in Blackpool.

5.5.3

A copy of the review panel’s report can be found at Appendix 10(d)

Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

5.6 List of Appendices:

Appendix 10(a) - Tourism, Economy and Communities Scrutiny
Committee Workplan

Appendix 10(b) - Scrutiny Review Checklist

Appendix 10(c) – Tourism, Economy and Communities Committee
Action Tracker

Appendix 10(d) – Community Safety Partnership Review Panel
Report

6.0 Legal considerations:

6.1 None.

7.0 Human Resources considerations:

7.1 None.

8.0 Equalities considerations:

8.1 None.

9.0 Financial considerations:

9.1 None.

10.0 Risk management considerations:

10.1 None.

11.0 Ethical considerations:

11.1 None.

12.0 Sustainability, climate change and environmental considerations:

12.1 None

13.0 Internal/ External Consultation undertaken:

13.1 None.

14.0 Background papers:

14.1 None.