Report to: LEVELLING UP SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Relevant Officer: Sharon Davis, Scrutiny Manager

Date of Meeting: 8 November 2023

SCRUTINY WORKPLAN

1.0 Purpose of the report:

1.1 To review the work of the Committee, the implementation of recommendations and identify any additional topics requiring scrutiny.

2.0 Recommendations:

- 2.1 To approve the Committee Workplan, taking into account any suggestions for amendment or addition.
- 2.2 To monitor the implementation of the Committee's recommendations/actions.

3.0 Reasons for recommendations:

- 3.1 To ensure the Committee is carrying out its work efficiently and effectively.
- 3.2 Is the recommendation contrary to a plan or strategy adopted or approved by the Council?
- 3.3 Is the recommendation in accordance with the Council's approved Yes budget?
- **4.0** Other alternative options to be considered:
- 4.1 None.

5.0 Council Priority:

- 5.1 The relevant Council Priority is:
 - Communities: Creating stronger communities and increasing resilience

6.0 Background Information

6.1 Scrutiny Workplan

The Committee's Workplan is attached at Appendix 11(a) and was developed following a workplanning workshop with the Committee in June 2022. The Workplan is a flexible document that sets out the work that will be undertaken by the Committee over the course of the year, both through scrutiny review and committee meetings.

Committee Members are invited to suggest topics at any time that might be suitable for scrutiny review through completion of the Scrutiny Review Checklist. 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.

6.2 Implementation of Recommendations/Actions

The table attached at Appendix 11(b) 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.

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.

6.3 Does the information submitted include any exempt information?

No

7.0 List of Appendices:

- 7.1 Appendix 11a Levelling Up Scrutiny Committee Workplan Appendix 11b - Implementation of Recommendations/Actions Appendix 11c – Scrutiny Selection Checklist
- 8.0 Financial considerations:
- 8.1 None.
- 9.0 Legal considerations:
- 9.1 None.
- 10.0 Risk management considerations:
- 10.1 None.
- 11.0 Equalities considerations and the impact of this decision for our children and young

	people:
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.