

Verbatim comments from members

Q6. Please give examples of where Cabinet decision-making has been influenced during the 2021/2022 municipal year by comments from the Commission and/or Panels:

- Pressure on administration re; parking charges
- Deen City Farm

Q7. Please give examples of where the Commission and/or Panels have had a demonstrable impact (other than on Cabinet decision-making). examples

- Tenants champion and clarion work

Q9. In what ways do you think the Commission/Panel business might be better organised?

- Fewer officers, more cabinet members
- More follow up questions allowed
- Chairs should not be gift of administration
- We should be allowed to scrutinise the administration decisions and priorities, not just the work of officers.

Q14. Please use this box for any further comments/suggestions you have about the overview and scrutiny function, including how it can be improved.

- Take certain difficult people off the committee.
- More direct quizzing of cabinet member, or external partners, like a parliament select committee.
- Mix up the chairs of the committees, some clearly only there at behest of their leadership and seem to deliberately block meeting progress.
- Any suggested motions, references to be put in writing so we are clear what we are voting, as too often it is not clear and drags meeting into chaos. Dem Service officer to check with individual they are attributing comments/name in the minutes, to check items aren't 'misconstrued' or deliberately used by others in a false way.
- Better liaison is needed with group offices re diary management.
- More site visits

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