

Sustainable Communities Work Programme 2023/24

This table sets out the draft Sustainable Communities Overview and Scrutiny Panel's Work Programme for 2023/24 following discussions at the topic workshop on 7 June 2023.

The work programme will be considered at every meeting of the Panel to enable it to respond to issues of concern or to request new pre-decision items ahead of their consideration by Cabinet/Council.

The work programme table shows items on a meeting by meeting basis, identifying the issue under review, the nature of the scrutiny (pre decision, policy development, issue specific, performance monitoring, partnership related) and the intended outcomes.

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Meeting date: 26 June 2022 (Deadline for papers: 5pm, 19 June 2022)

Item/issue	How	Lead member and/or lead officer	Intended outcomes
Executive Director introductions	Verbal update with Q&A	Lucy Owen (Executive Director of Housing and Sustainability) Dan Jones (Executive Director of Environment, Civic Pride and Climate)	To understand current priorities in relation to Panel work programme
Borough of Sport update	Cabinet report	Dan Jones (Executive Director of Environment, Civic Pride and Climate); Cllr Caroline Cooper- Marbiah, Cabinet Member for Sport and Heritage	
Community Toilet Scheme	Report	Cllr Stephen Mercer	
Electric Vehicle Task Group report	Report	Cllr Laxmi Attawar, Chair of the EV Task Group	
Performance monitoring	Basket of indicators plus verbal report	Executive Directors	To highlight any items of concern
Work programme 2023/24	Written report	Rosie McKeever, Scrutiny Officer	To agree the work programme.
Task Group discussion	Verbal	Chair	Agree a task group for 2023/24.

Meeting date: 19 September 2023 (Deadline for papers: 5pm,11 September 2023)

Item/issue	How	Lead member and/or lead officer	Intended outcomes
Cabinet Member Priorities	Verbal update with Q&A	Cabinet Members for Transport; Housing and Sustainable Development; Sport and Heritage; Local Environment, Green Spaces and Climate.	To understand current priorities in relation to Panel work programme
Mitcham Town Centre Manager	Report	Paul McGarry	
Performance monitoring	Basket of indicators plus verbal report	Executive Directors	To highlight any items of concern and/or request additional information
Work programme 2023/24	Written report	Rosie McKeever, Scrutiny Officer	To agree the work programme.

Meeting date: 2 November 2023 (Deadline for papers: 5pm, 24 October 2023)

Item/issue	How	Lead member and/or lead officer	Intended outcomes
Budget and business planning (round 1)	Written report	Executive Director of Finance & Digital	Monitor progress of recommendations
Merton's Housing Associations – repairs and maintenance standards	Q&A	Representatives from Clarion. MOAT, Wandle etc, will be invited to attend the session.	
Clarion Housing: Estate Regeneration – including climate elements of building.	Written report	Clarion Housing	
Performance monitoring	Basket of indicators plus verbal report	Executive Directors	To highlight any items of concern and/or request additional information
Work programme 2023/24	Written report	Rosie McKeever, Scrutiny Officer	To agree the work programme.

Meeting date: 18 January 2024 (Deadline for papers: 5pm, 9 January 2024)

Item/issue	How	Lead member and/or lead officer	Intended outcomes
Budget and business planning (round 2)	Report	Executive Director of Finance & Digital	To comment on the budget and business plan proposals and make any recommendations to the Commission
Walking & Cycling Strategy (Consultation results and/or conduct predecision scrutiny).	Written report	Paul McGarry, Head of Future Merton	Disability Access to be included in walking and cycling strategy
Climate Change and Net Zero progress	Report	Tara Butler; Dominique Hill	Review the Climate Delivery Plan for Year 4 prior to Cabinet in February
Idverde	Focus on sustainability and best practice.	Andrew Kauffman	
Performance monitoring	Basket of indicators plus verbal report	Executive Directors	To highlight any items of concern and/or request additional information
Work programme 2023/24	Written report	Rosie McKeever, Scrutiny Officer	To agree the work programme.

Meeting date: 29 February 2024 (Deadline for papers: 5pm, 20 February 2024)

Item/issue	How	Lead member and/or lead officer	Intended outcomes
Fly tipping Action Plan	Report	AD for Public Space	
Air Quality Action Plan		Jason Andrews	
Waste and Street Cleaning update	Report	AD for Public Space	
Flooding	Report	Tom Sly, Flood Management Officer	Invite Thames Water to attend
Performance monitoring	Basket of indicators plus verbal report	Executive Directors	To highlight any items of concern and/or request additional information
Work programme 2023/24	Written report	Rosie McKeever, Scrutiny Officer	To agree the work programme.

Meeting date: 21 March 2024 (Deadline for papers: 5pm, 12 March 2024)

Item/issue	How	Lead member and/or lead officer	Intended outcomes
Rogue Landlords & update on the selective and additional licensing scheme	Written report	Housing Team	Include HMO's, enforcements, and complaints
Tree Strategy	Written report		
Performance Monitoring	Basket of indicators plus verbal report	Executive Directors	
Topic suggestions 2024/25	Written report	Rosie McKeever, Scrutiny Officer	To seek suggestions from the Panel for the Panel's 2024/25 work programme

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