

## Homes Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2024/25

Month	Item/Topic Link with Corporate Priorities	Aims and Objectives	Scrutiny Method	Cabinet Member/ Lead Officer	Other Witnesses	Additional Information and Outcome*
June 24	Inquiry: Improving Standards of Re-let Properties	Evidence gathering – City Housing	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 20 June 24  Deadline for reports: 4 June 24  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Paul Langford, Strategic Director, City Housing	Dave Ashmore, Director, Housing Management  Asha Patel, Head of Repairs	Evidence-gathering programme agreed by the Task & Finish Group.  The inquiry directly responds to challenges outlined in the Regulatory Notice.
June 24	Work Programme Report  <b>IRP Programme: Deliver Savings and Balance the Budget</b>  <b>Governance Stabilisation Plan Priority:</b> Scrutiny will play an active part in the 24/25 Budget development process.	Agree the Committee's work programme including identification of issues to consider at future meetings regarding impact of delivery of savings based on previous scrutiny of budget and savings delivery.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 20 June 24  Deadline for reports: 4 June 24  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Christian Scade, Head of Scrutiny and Committee Services	Amelia Wiltshire, Overview and Scrutiny Manager	This is a standard item for all future Committee meetings.

July 24	Regulatory Compliance	Provide oversight, scrutiny and productive challenge to City Housing while moving towards compliance with the requirements under the Social Housing Regulation Bill and the recommendations from the Housing Ombudsman special report.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 18 July 24  Deadline for reports: 2 July 24  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Paul Langford, Strategic Director, City Housing	Naomi Morris, Head of Strategic Enabling	Following agreement in September 2023 to hold quarterly landlord compliance meetings, this cycle will continue in 2024/25.
July 24	Overview of Savings within Committee's Terms of Reference  <b>IRP Programme: Deliver Savings and Balance the Budget</b>  <b>Governance Stabilisation Plan Priority:</b> Scrutiny will play an active part in the 24/25 Budget development process.	Consider the impact from delivery of savings.	Task and Finish Group	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	Savings to be considered at the July meeting will be agreed by the Committee in June. Future items on Budget Savings and Financial Recovery are to be scheduled.
September 24	Exempt Accommodation Inquiry: Tracking of Outstanding Recommendations	Provide update on progress of outstanding recommendations from Exempt Accommodation inquiry.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 12 September 24  Deadline for reports: 27 August 24	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Guy Chaundy, Assistant Director,	To be confirmed	<a href="#">Exempt Accommodation Inquiry 2021</a>  <a href="#">Previous Tracking Report February 2024</a>

		Consider the impact of the recommendations from the Inquiry	Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Housing Strategy and Enabling		
September 24	Druids Heath Regeneration Scheme	Provide feedback on the interim community consultation as well as contribute to the consultation in its own right.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 12 September 24  Deadline for reports: 27 August 24  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Philip Nell, Strategic Director Place, Prosperity and Sustainability	To be confirmed	
October 24	Regulatory Compliance	Provide oversight, scrutiny and productive challenge to City Housing while moving towards compliance with the requirements under the Social Housing Regulation Bill and the recommendations from the Housing Ombudsman special report.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 24 October 24  Deadline for reports: 8 October 24  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 3&4	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Paul Langford, Strategic Director, City Housing	Naomi Morris, Head of Strategic Enabling	Following agreement in September 2023 to hold quarterly landlord compliance meetings, this cycle will continue tin 2024/25.
December 24						

January 25	Regulatory Compliance	Provide oversight, scrutiny and productive challenge to City Housing while moving towards compliance with the requirements under the Social Housing Regulation Bill and the recommendations from the Housing Ombudsman special report.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 16 January 25  Deadline for reports: 30 December 24  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Paul Langford, Strategic Director, City Housing	Naomi Morris, Head of Strategic Enabling	Following agreement in September 2023 to hold quarterly landlord compliance meetings, this cycle will continue tin 2024/25.
February 25	Ladywood Regeneration Scheme	To enable O&S to contribute to the consultation.	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 27 February 25  Deadline for reports: 11 February 25  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis  Philip Nell, Strategic Director Place, Prosperity and Sustainability	To be confirmed	
April 25	Regulatory Compliance	Provide oversight, scrutiny and productive challenge to City Housing while moving towards compliance with the requirements under the Social Housing Regulation	Committee Meeting single item: Agenda item, 10 April 25	Cabinet Member for Housing and Homelessness, Councillor Jayne Francis	Naomi Morris, Head of Strategic Enabling	Following agreement in September 2023 to hold quarterly landlord compliance meetings, this cycle will continue tin 2024/25.

		Bill and the recommendations from the Housing Ombudsman special report.	Deadline for reports: 25 March 25  Venue: Council House, Committee Room 6	Paul Langford, Strategic Director, City Housing		
May 25						

### Menu of Issues for Consideration

The following items had been identified as potential topics for future consideration. This approach enables the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to remain flexible and respond in a timely manner to emerging issues.

This is a live work programme work programme. New items may be added, or items removed during the course of the year. Proposed aims and objectives as well as scrutiny methodology may also be subject to change.

Item/ Topic	Proposed Aims and Objectives	Proposed Scrutiny Method	Additional Information
Affordable Housing (to include Birmingham Municipal Housing Trust Review)	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Temporary Accommodation Strategy and B&B Reduction Plan	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Housing Management/Tenant Engagement/Tenant Satisfaction	To be confirmed	To be confirmed	To be confirmed
Repairs and Maintenance Procurement	Inform the development of the new contract	To be confirmed	To be confirmed

\*Outcome: This will be populated once the item/topic has been completed. It will identify the added value and impact.

**Scrutiny Method Options:**

Committee meeting - single item

Committee meeting - single theme

Task and Finish Group

Inquiry Evidence Gathering

Site Visit

Briefing

Pre Decision Scrutiny

**Corporate Priorities, Performance and Outcomes**

**Corporate Priorities 2022 – 26:**

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| 1 Support inclusive economic growth                          | 11 Increase affordable, safe, green housing                       |
| 2 Tackle unemployment  | 12 Tackle homelessness  |
| 3 Attract inward investment and infrastructure               | 13 Tackle health inequalities                                     |
| 4 Maximise the benefits of the Commonwealth Games            | 14 Encourage and enable physical activity and healthy living      |
| 5 Tackle poverty and inequalities                            | 15 Champion mental health   |
| 6 Empower citizens and enable citizen voice                  | 16 Improve outcomes for adults with disabilities and older people |
| 7 Promote and champion diversity, civic pride and culture    | 17 Improve street cleanliness                                     |
| 8 Support and enable all children and young people to thrive | 18 Improve air quality  |
| 9 Make the city safer  | 19 Continue on the Route to Zero                                  |
| 10 Protect and safeguard vulnerable citizens                 | 20 Be a City of Nature  |
|  | 21 Delivering a Bold Best in Class Council                        |