



Sustainability & Transport O&S Committee: Work Programme 2022/23

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1 Terms of Reference

- 1.1 As per City Council on 24th May 2022 the Committee's Terms of Reference is 'to fulfil the functions of an Overview and Scrutiny Committee as they relate to any policies, services and activities relating to sustainability; air pollution; transport strategy and highways. The Committee shall undertake the authority's statutory functions in relation to the scrutiny of flood risk management (Flood and Water Management Act 2010)'.
- 1.2 This report provides details of the proposed scrutiny work programme for 2022/23

2 Recommendation

- 2.1 That the Committee considers its work programme, attached at Appendix 1, and considers whether any amendments are required.

3 Background

- 3.1 *"Scrutiny is based on the principle that someone who makes a decision...should not be the only one to review or challenge it. Overview is founded on the belief that an open, inclusive, member-led approach to policy review...results in better policies in the long run."* (Jessica Crowe, former Executive Director, Centre for Governance and Scrutiny).
- 3.2 Developing an effective work programme is the bedrock of an effective scrutiny function. Done well, it can help lay the foundations for targeted, inclusive and timely work on issues of local importance, where scrutiny can add value. Done poorly, scrutiny can end up wasting time and resources on issues where the impact of any scrutiny work done is likely to be minimal.



- 3.3 As a result, the careful selection and prioritisation of work is essential if the scrutiny function is to be successful, add value and retain credibility.

4 Work Programme

- 4.1 Appendix 1 sets out the future work programme for this Committee. This provides information on the aims and objectives, together with lead officers and witnesses, for each item. The attached work programme also includes items to be programmed where dates are still to be confirmed, and any outstanding items including the tracking of previous recommendations.

5 Other Meetings

Call in Meetings

*None
scheduled*

Petitions

*None
scheduled*

Councillor Call for Action requests

*None
scheduled*

It is suggested that the Committee approve Wednesday at 1400 hours as a suitable day and time each week for any additional meetings required to consider 'requests for call in' which may be lodged in respect of Executive decisions.

6 Forward Plan for Cabinet Decisions

- 6.1 Since the implementation of the Local Government Act and the introduction of the Forward Plan, scrutiny members have found the Plan to be a useful tool in identifying potential agenda items.
- 6.2 The following decisions, extracted from the CMIS Forward Plan of Decisions, are likely to be relevant to the Sustainability and Transport O&S Committee's remit. The Panel may wish to consider whether any of these issues require further investigation or monitoring via scrutiny. The Forward Plan can be viewed in full via [Forward Plans \(cmis.uk.com\)](http://ForwardPlans(cmis.uk.com)).



| Reference | Title | Portfolio | Proposed Date of Decision |
|-------------|--|-------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 009748/2022 | Corporate Plan 2022 -2026 | Leader | 26 Jul 2022 |
| 010100/2022 | Adoption of the Birmingham Design Guide Supplementary Planning Document | Leader | 26 Jul 2022 |
| 010264/2022 | Contract Extension - Civil Parking Enforcement Services (P129) | Transport | 26 Jul 2022 |
| 010376/2022 | Hackney Carriage – Maximum Fare | Transport | 26 Jul 2022 |
| 009999/2022 | Net Zero Neighbourhood Plan | Environment | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 010280/2022 | Capital Bid for the Introduction of Car Parking Across Selected BCC Parks | Environment | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 007686/2020 | Historic Environment Supplementary Planning Document | Leader | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 008965/2021 | Renewal of Building Energy Management Systems | Leader | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 009407/2022 | Enterprise Zone Investment Plan 2022 | Leader | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 009249/2021 | Street Naming and Numbering Policy Revision | (OLD) Transport & Environment | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 010294/2022 | E-scooter Trial Extension | Transport | 06 Sep 2022 |
| 009892/2022 | The Birmingham Plan Issues and Options Document Consultation | Leader | 11 Oct 2022 |
| 010266/2022 | Our Future City Framework and Delivery Plan | Leader | 11 Oct 2022 |
| 010173/2022 | Our Future City Plan 2040 – Draft Central Birmingham Framework | Leader | 11 Oct 2022 |
| 007349/2020 | Waste Vehicle Replacement Programme | (OLD) Street Scene & Parks | 11 Oct 2022 |
| 010142/2022 | Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) Refresh | n/a | 11 Oct 2022 |
| 008531/2021 | Highways and Infrastructure: Footway Crossings Policy and Information for Applicants | Transport | 11 Oct 2022 |
| 010138/2022 | Financial Monitoring Report Quarter 2 2022/23 | n/a | 08 Nov 2022 |
| 009445/2022 | City Centre Public Realm Improvement Scheme (CCPR) Full Business Case (FBC) phase 2 | (OLD) Transport & Environment | 14 Feb 2023 |
| 009406/2022 | Active Travel Fund Tranche 2 - Package 2: Kings Heath and Moseley Places for People Full Business Case | Transport | 08 Nov 2022 |



7 Legal Implications

7.1 There are no immediate legal implications arising from this report.

8 Financial Implications

8.1 There are no financial implications arising from the recommendations set out in this report.

9 Public Sector Equality Duty

9.1 The Council has a Public Sector Equality Duty under the Equality Act (2010) to have due regard to the need to:

- eliminate discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Act;
- advance equality of opportunity between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it;
- foster good relations between persons who share a relevant protected characteristic and persons who do not share it.

9.2 The Committee should ensure that it addresses these duties by considering them during work programme development, the scoping of work, evidence gathering and making recommendations. This should include considering: How policy issues impact on different groups within the community, particularly those that share a relevant protected characteristic; Whether the impact on particular groups is fair and proportionate; Whether there is equality of access to services and fair representation of all groups within Birmingham; Whether any positive opportunities to advance equality of opportunity and/or good relations between people are being realised.

9.3 The Committee should ensure that equalities comments, and any recommendations, are based on evidence. This should include demographic and service level data and evidence of residents/service-users views gathered through consultation.

10 Use of Appendices

10.1 Appendix 1 – Work Programme for 2022/2023