

## **SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMMES**

### **Public Service Delivery, Communities & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee**

***'Holding the Executive to account in respect of all three priorities within the Council's Corporate Plan....Economy (Building a strong economy), People (Promoting independence and positive lives for everyone), Place (Creating neighbourhoods where people are proud to live and work).'***

Each of the Council's Scrutiny Committees is responsible for setting and agreeing its own work programme by identifying a list of themes and topics which fall under the remit of each individual Scrutiny Committee. Following discussion with the Chair, Vice Chair and Scrutiny Members a practical, realistic and timetabled programme can then be developed.

The scrutiny forward work programmes should provide a clear rationale as to why particular issues have been selected; be outcome focussed; ensure that the method of scrutiny is best suited to the topic area and the outcome desired; align scrutiny programmes with the council's performance management, self-evaluation and improvement arrangements.

Throughout the year, there are a number of ways in which additional issues can be considered for inclusion in the Scrutiny Work Programme and ideas for inclusion may come from a number of sources such as:-

- Individual Councillors;
- Performance or budget monitoring information;
- Inspection reports;
- Referrals from Council (such as Notices of Motion), Cabinet/Audit or other scrutiny committees;
- Service users;
- Monitoring the implementation of recommendations previously made by the Committee; and
- Local Residents

The Cabinet is also required to produce forward work programmes and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee keeps abreast of forthcoming items or topics which may enable scrutiny to be involved in the development of Council policy prior to its formal consideration by Cabinet. It is important to bear in mind that an element of flexibility is applied to each individual work programme that provides Committees with the capacity to scrutinise new / urgent issues that arise during the year. For this reason the Scrutiny Work Programmes will be published for a 6 month period and reviewed every quarter.

**PUBLIC SERVICE DELIVERY, COMMUNITIES & PROSPERITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

Date/Time	Overarching Item	Officer	Cabinet Member	Invited/ In attendance	Scrutiny Focus
<b>11<sup>th</sup> July 2019, 5pm Committee Room 1, Clydach Vale</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Public Service Delivery, Communities &amp; Prosperity Scrutiny Work Programme</li> </ul>	Service Director of Democratic Services & Communications  Group Director, Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services			<b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> For Members of the Public Service Delivery, Communities & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee to consider their work programme for 2019/2020.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Training Needs</li> </ul>	Group Director, Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services  Service Director of Democratic Services & Communications			To consider and develop a schedule of training requirements for members of the Public Service Delivery, Communities & Prosperity Scrutiny Committee.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Council's plastic waste policy (and other recycling developments)</li> </ul>	Group Director, Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services			<b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> To review the Council's plastic waste policy.
<b>12<sup>th</sup> September 2019, 5pm Council Chamber, Clydach Vale</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Cabinet &amp; Scrutiny Engagement Session</li> </ul>	Group Director, Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services	Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure & Heritage Services	✓	<b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> Consider the progress made In advancing the portfolio responsibilities of the Cabinet Member for Environment, Leisure & Heritage Services.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on the Scrutiny Working Group "Recycling in Communal Areas"</li> </ul>	Group Director, Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>To receive an update on the findings to date of the Scrutiny Working Group to include draft recommendations.</li> </ul>

<p><b>14<sup>th</sup> November 2019, 5pm Council Chamber, Clydach Vale</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review of the Scrutiny Work Programme</li>   <li>• Capital Programme for Highways, Transportation and Strategic Projects.</li>   <li>• Quarterly Review of the Council's municipal recycling rates</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service Director of Democratic Services &amp; Communications</li>   <li>• Group Director, Prosperity, Development &amp; Frontline Services</li>   <li>• Service Director, Frontline Services</li>   <li>• Group Director, Prosperity, Development &amp; Frontline Services</li> </ul>			<p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Is the Work Programme suitable and relevant to the Terms of Reference?</li> <li>• Does the Work Programme illustrate clear outcomes and objectives?</li> <li>• Members of the Committee to provide comment in relation to the Work Programme.</li> </ul> <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> To assess the detailed Capital Programme for Highways, Transportation and Strategic Projects.</p> <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> To receive a quarterly review of the Council's Municipal recycling rates as part of the Council's ongoing waste and recycling strategy</p>
<p><b>16<sup>th</sup> January 2020, 5pm Council Chamber, Clydach Vale</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training Session – 'Understanding the Council's Budget'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service Director - Finance &amp; Improvement Services</li> </ul>			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide Members with the Council's medium term financial plan (and future consideration for Members)</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rhondda Cynon Taf's Open Spaces – Parks, Play areas and Pitches</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group Director, Prosperity, Development &amp; Frontline Services</li> </ul>			<p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> To review the parks, play areas and pitches across the County Borough to ensure they are fit for purpose.</p>
<p><b>27<sup>th</sup> February 2020, 5pm Council Chamber, Clydach Vale</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>South Wales Parking Group (SWPG) Update</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group Director, Prosperity, Development &amp; Frontline Services</li> <li>Parking Services &amp; Enforcement Manager</li> </ul>			<p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> To assess the progress made in relation to Civil Parking Enforcement since Scrutiny received a report in January 2019.</p>
<p><b>26<sup>th</sup> March 2020, 5pm Council Chamber, Clydach Vale</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Streetcare Services</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Group Director, Prosperity, Development &amp; Frontline Services</li> </ul>			<p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge –</b> To receive a report outlining this service area, to assess the outcome/impact on the residents of RCT.</p>

**Other Areas for exploration:-**

PSPO – Dog Fouling

Town Centre Street Furniture

**Training Requirements:-**

To be considered at the first Scrutiny Committee in July

**Current Scrutiny Working Groups:-**

Recycling in Communal Areas

**Site Visits**

Materials Recovery Facility (MRF) & Education Centre, Bryn Pica (November 2019)

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