



<b>Place Overview Committee</b>	<u>Item</u>
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## Place Overview Committee Work Programme

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### 1.0 Summary

1.1 This paper presents the Place Overview Committee's proposed work programme for the remainder of the municipal year. The council's overview and scrutiny committees have based their programmes on topics from Shropshire Council's Strategic Action Plan. The committee also

- scrutinises thematic priorities
- responds to emerging issues and
- follows up on previous work.

### 2.0 Recommendations

2.1 Committee members to:

- agree the proposed committee work programme attached as **appendix 1**
- note the current task and finish groups attached as **appendix 2**
- suggest changes to the committee work programme and
- recommend other topics to consider.

### 3.0 Background

3.1 Overview and Scrutiny's committees base this work programme on topics from Shropshire Council's Strategic Action Plan. They also

- scrutinise thematic priorities
- respond to emerging issues
- follow up on previous work and
- carry out cross-committee work through task and finish groups.

3.2 A refreshed overview and scrutiny work programme for this committee is attached as **appendix 1**. A refreshed list of current task and finish groups is attached as **appendix 2**.

#### 4.0 Next steps

- 4.1 Overview and scrutiny updates this report on an ongoing basis and presents it to each overview and scrutiny committee. This will allow members the opportunity to contribute to its development at each committee meeting.

**List of background papers (This MUST be completed for all reports, but does not include items containing exempt or confidential information)**

None

**Cabinet Member (Portfolio Holder)**

All

**Local Member**

All

**Appendices**

Overview and scrutiny work programme

Overview and scrutiny task and finish groups

## Appendix 1

### Overview and Scrutiny work programme until end of municipal year 2020-2021

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Topic	Intended outcomes	Required output	Participants	Objectives	Date
Highways response to Covid-19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Monitor the success and understand lessons learned from trials of changes to highways in Shrewsbury and other market towns resulting from the council's work to tackle the spread of Covid-19, including:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>road closures and pavement widening and</li><li>pavement permits.</li></ul></li></ul>	Overview report	Director of Infrastructure	Changes to highways layouts support public health, transport and town centre management objectives.	9 Dec 2020
Local Transport Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Consider the development of the new Local Transport Plan and how it relates to the delivery of the council's priorities.</li></ul>	overview report presentation	Head of Commissioning	Contribute to development of Local Transport Plan.  Provide assurance that the plan contributes to housing and economic growth plans.	9 Dec 2020
WSP and Kier annual reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Review the performance of the council's two principal highways' contractors</li></ul>	Annual reports	Director of Place	Ensure that our contractors provide a high level of service and value for money.	28 Jan 2021

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Highways performance monitoring	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regular monitoring of the performance of Shropshire Highways.</li> </ul>	Overview report	Highways, Transport and Environment Commissioning Manager	Shropshire Highways' contracted work is completed to a high standard.	28 Jan 2021
Communicating highways works and repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand how the council communicates disruptions to the highway.</li> <li>Make recommendations on future development of communications</li> </ul>	Overview report	Technology and Communications Manager	People in Shropshire receive timely and relevant information about disruptions to the highway.	2 Mar 2021
Night-time economy and licensing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the value of the night time economy in Shropshire</li> <li>Scrutinise policies pertaining to the night time economy</li> </ul>	Overview report Presentation	TBA	Shropshire's towns have vibrant, well-supported night-time economies.  Night-time economies contribute to the vibrancy of town centres.	TBA

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Local Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand the Local Plan seeking to respond to the Climate Change emergency</li> <li>Comment on the draft plan before its presentation to Council.</li> </ul>	Overview report	Head of Place		TBA
Shrewsbury town centre masterplan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scrutinise proposals for redevelopments in Shrewsbury town centre</li> </ul>	Overview report	Director of Place	Assists Shrewsbury town centre transition from a primarily retail focus to a thriving centre for commerce, leisure and retail.	TBA

## Appendix 2

### Current and proposed task and finish groups

Title	Objectives	Reporting to
Financial Strategy and Innovation and Income Generation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand the process and activity stages for developing the Financial Strategy and how these translate into the Council's annual budgets</li> <li>• To consider and scrutinise the proposals and emerging plans for the whole Financial Strategy and 2021/2 budget, including how they align to the four pillars. This will be through their development and their implementation, in particular for innovation and raising income.</li> <li>• To consider the recommendations and areas for action identified in the Corporate Peer Challenge report relating to the Financial Strategy, and how they are being addressed.</li> <li>• To consider the direct and indirect impacts, including risks, of 2021 budget proposals on current services and customers.</li> <li>• To complete specific pieces of work to identify and work up alternatives to emerging plans, including the feasibility of any alternative proposals</li> <li>• Make evidence based recommendations in relation to plans and approaches for innovation and income generation, and alternative proposals for future budget setting.</li> </ul>	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

<b>Title</b>	<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Reporting to</b>
Road casualty reduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Understand the nature of road traffic collisions in Shropshire.</li> <li>• Understand feelings of road safety, and the effect of feeling unsafe when travelling.</li> <li>• Understand the factors that contribute to safer travel</li> <li>• Scrutinise how Shropshire Council and its partners work together to make travel safer.</li> <li>• Explore how Shropshire Council responds to new models of Government transport funding.</li> </ul>	Place Overview Committee
Community Transport	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand how community transport operates in Shropshire, and the demand for community transport services.</li> <li>• Identify how the community transport groups, the council, and other partners can work together to provide community transport to people in Shropshire who do not have access to public or private transport.</li> </ul>	Communities Overview Committee
Brexit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To consider the information brought together to develop a view for Shropshire of the possible implications of Brexit for the Shropshire economy and the achievement of the Economic Growth Strategy.</li> <li>• To identify, with the relevant officers, the key evidence and related requirements of what Shropshire would require from a future UK funding approach.</li> <li>• To make evidence based recommendations to Cabinet.</li> </ul>	Performance Management Scrutiny Committee

<b>Title</b>	<b>Objectives</b>	<b>Reporting to</b>
Section 106 and Community Infrastructure Levy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To understand how Shropshire Council currently uses Section 106, CIL and NHB and the impact that this has had</li> <li>• To understand how Section 106, CIL and NHB could be used in Shropshire to enable or encourage projects or initiatives for economic growth and prosperity</li> <li>• To learn from other places how they have used Section 106, CIL and NHB to enable or encourage projects or initiatives for economic growth and prosperity</li> <li>• To make evidence based recommendations on how Section 106, CIL and NHB could be used in Shropshire to enable or encourage projects or initiatives for economic growth and prosperity</li> </ul>	Performance Management Scrutiny
Climate Change	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To review Shropshire Council's existing work to reduce its CO2e output.</li> <li>• To scrutinise existing council policy and practice and recommend policy changes that would support further carbon reduction.</li> <li>• To identify and evaluate opportunities to reduce spending and generate income by adopting low-carbon technology and practices.</li> </ul>	Place Overview Committee