



**Place Overview  
Committee**

**4 August 2021**

Item

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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 2021-2022 municipal year.

**2.0 Recommendations**

2.1 Committee members to:

- agree the proposed committee work programme attached as **appendix 1**
- suggest changes to the committee work programme and
- recommend other topics to consider.

**3.0 Next steps**

3.1 Officers will present a refreshed work programme at each committee meeting. In addition the committee will meet informally between committee meetings to discuss which topics they wish to scrutinise at future meetings.

**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

## Appendix 1

### Overview and Scrutiny work programme for municipal year 2021-2022

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Topic	Objectives	Participants	Information required	Date
Roadworks diversions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Scrutinise current practice for implementing diversions for roadworks.</li><li>• Make recommendations to strengthen existing arrangements.</li></ul>	Assistant Director, Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• National guidance</li></ul>	4 August 2021
Update on signs, banners and barriers task and finish group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Receive an update on implementing recommendations from the task and finish group, to cover:<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>○ Fees for housing development signage</li><li>○ Policies for banners, bunting and Christmas decorations.</li></ul></li></ul>	Director of Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Task and finish group report</li><li>• Verbal update from officers</li></ul>	4 August 2021
Post Covid-19 economic renewal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Understand Shropshire Council's strategy for economic renewal following the pandemic</li></ul>	Assistant Director Economy and Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Business start up and closure rates</li><li>• Employment and average wage rates</li><li>• Retail centre occupancy rates</li></ul>	9 Sep 2021

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Winter maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Understand progress in reviewing the winter maintenance policy</li> <li>Ensure council responds to recommendations of task and finish group's report.</li> </ul>	Head of Highways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winter service protocol</li> <li>Task and finish group report</li> <li>Service review reports</li> </ul>	9 Sep 2021
Shrewsbury town centre masterplan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scrutinise proposals for redevelopments in Shrewsbury town centre</li> </ul>	Executive Director of Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Town centre masterplan</li> <li>Update on planned redevelopments of shopping centres in Shrewsbury town centre.</li> </ul>	9 Sep 2021
<b>BRIEFING</b> <i>Planning enforcement</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scrutinise impact of changes to planning enforcement team.</li> </ul>	Assistant Director for Economy and Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Number of alleged planning breaches reported to Shropshire Council.</li> <li>Time taken to investigate reported breaches.</li> <li>Percentage of reported breaches investigated by Shropshire Council.</li> </ul>	TBA Oct 2021
Footpath and cyclepath maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Examine current maintenance regimes for clearing and maintaining footpaths and cycle paths,</li> </ul>	Head of Highways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Expenditure on footpath and cycle path maintenance.</li> <li>Planned schedules of maintenance and cleansing.</li> </ul>	TBA Oct 2021

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Planning Committee Structures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review the outcome of Shropshire Council's decision to reduce from three to two planning committees</li> </ul>	Assistant Director for Economy and Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Interviews with committee chairs</li> <li>Number of decisions made by existing committees, compared with previous committees.</li> </ul>	TBA Oct 2021
Highways capital programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review the council's capital programme for highways and transport for the period 2021-2025.</li> <li>Ensure adequate funding is allocated to programme investments within LTP4.</li> </ul>	Executive Director of Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Financial strategy 2021-2025</li> <li>Capital investment plan</li> </ul>	Nov 2021
LTP 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scrutinise findings of thematic consultation on emerging themes underpinning the draft local transport plan.</li> <li>Ensure the plan's priorities align with and support other council corporate priorities.</li> <li>Understand how the plan addresses competing and complementary priorities within the plan.</li> <li>Examine plan priorities and capital investment underpinning the plan.</li> </ul>	Assistant Director, Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft local transport plan</li> <li>Findings from thematic workshops</li> <li>Regional transport strategies</li> </ul>	Nov 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>	Assistant Director, Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft local transport plan</li> <li>Findings from thematic workshops</li> <li>Regional transport strategies</li> </ul>	Nov 2021

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Market town renewal schemes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scrutinise progress in drafting and implementing renewal schemes</li> </ul>	Assistant Director Economy and Place		Jan 2021
Active Travel Strategy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Scrutinise draft active travel strategy</li> <li>Examine capital funding underpinning strategy</li> <li>Explore how the strategy will meet the objective of the draft local transport plan</li> </ul>	Head of Environment and Transport		Jan 2021
LED street lighting programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TBA</li> </ul>			Mar 2021
Waste and recycling	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>TBA</li> </ul>			Mar 2021

### Other topics for further consideration for inclusion:

- Decarbonising housing – progress and update