



Place Overview Committee	<u>Item 9</u>
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Place Overview Committee work programme 2022-3

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1.0 Summary

1.1 This paper presents the Place Overview Committee's proposed work programme for the 2022-2023 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 Background

3.1 The work programme provides the opportunity for the committee to plan its work for the next twelve months. In planning its work, it should aim to produce a programme that features a combination of:

- scrutiny of council priorities, through its corporate plan (The Shropshire Plan)
- forthcoming policy proposals, as listed in the Forward Plan and from discussions with officers and administration members.
- community priorities that the public bring to the attention of elected members.
- priorities for action resulting from the council's financial and capital strategies.
- the work of our partners, for example the Marches Local Enterprise partnership or
- following up on previous recommendations from the committee.

3.2 Marches LEP

The Marches Local Enterprise Partnership is required by legislation to attend scrutiny annually. This committee has considered the work of the partnership previously, though to do so again would require reconfiguring the work programme. Members could hold an additional meeting or could choose to prioritise this work over other topics for consideration.

3.3 Update from Cabinet

The chair of this committee recently attended Cabinet to remind portfolio holders of their commitment to respond to recommendations from its 2019 review of policy around signs, banners, and pavement permits. Cabinet will instruct the relevant officers to respond to Cabinet shortly.

3.4 Shropshire Council's Forward Plan of Key Decisions is attached as **appendix 2**.

4.0 Next steps

4.1 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

Place Overview Committee work programme

Forward Plan of Key Decisions – January 2023

Appendix 1

Overview and Scrutiny work programme for municipal year 2022-2023

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Topic	Objectives	Participants	Information required	Date
Communicating highways works and repairs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Understand how the council communicates disruptions to the highway.• Make recommendations on future development of communications.	Assistant Director, Infrastructure Head of Communications		10 Nov 2022
Highways capital programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Review the council's capital programme for highways and transport for the period 2021-2025.• Ensure Shropshire Council has the staffing and infrastructure in place to plan and deliver programmes of work made possible by increased capital funding.• Ensure adequate funding is allocated to programme investments within LTP4.	Executive Director of Place	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Financial strategy 2021-2025• Capital investment plan	6 February 2023

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Local Transport Plan 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrutinise findings of thematic consultation on emerging themes underpinning the draft local transport plan. • Ensure the plan's priorities align with and support other council corporate priorities. • Understand how the plan addresses competing and complementary priorities within the plan. • Examine plan priorities and capital investment underpinning the plan. 	Assistant Director, Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft local transport plan • Findings from thematic workshops • Regional transport strategies 	6 February 2023
Housing Developments task and finish group	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agree the draft final report of the group to be presented to Cabinet 	Overview and scrutiny officer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft final report 	6 February 2023
LED lighting programme	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To review the impact of the lighting programme on the 	Assistant Director, Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	23 March 2023

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Planning Improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on the review of the planning service, including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Engagement with town and parish councils ○ Training for town and parish councils ○ Automated processes for self-service ○ The Member Gateway ○ Restructuring ○ Training 	Assistant Director, Infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 	23 March 2023
Update on review of winter service plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrutinise performance in carrying out the 2021/2022 highways winter service plan. • Monitor implementation of recommendations arising from the 2021 Place Overview Committee review of the winter service plan. 	Head of Highways	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Outcome of recommendations from the committee's 2021 report. 	23 March 2023