

Overview and Scrutiny Commission Work Programme 2023/24

<u>Corporate Priorities</u>
Be a responsible Council

<u>Next meetings</u>		
Date: 22 April 2024 Time: 5.30pm Venue: Room 10	Date: 22 July 2024 Time: 5:30pm Venue: Room 10	Date: 14 October Time: 5:30pm Venue: Room 10

<u>Title</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Aims /Purpose</u>	<u>Portfolio</u>	<u>Lead officer</u>	<u>Corporate Priority</u>	<u>Method</u>	<u>Date</u>
Financial Monitoring Reports	The Council produces quarterly reports regarding its Financial Performance in relation to the Budget for the municipal year	To monitor the Council's financial performance against budgets and highlight any areas for further scrutiny.	Corporate Services (Cllr Bond)	Richard Gibson	Be a responsible Council	Report to committee	26 June 2023 (Completed) 27 July 2023 (Completed) 15 January 2024 (Completed) 22 April 2024
Performance Reports	Scrutiny Committees are responsible for reviewing the performance reports for priorities relevant to their remit.	To use performance reports to monitor the performance of services within portfolios and hold Cabinet Members to Account	Corporate Services (Cllr Bond)	Cath Fogarty	Be a responsible Council	Report to committee	27 July 2023 (Completed) 16 October 2023 (Completed) 15 January 2024 (Completed)

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Scrutiny Annual Report 2022/23	Scrutiny is required to produce an Annual Report to set out its activity and outcomes each year. Report will be presented to Council once approved by Commission.	To inform the Council, Partners and Public about the work the Scrutiny Function has undertaken during the municipal year.	Corporate services (Cllr Bond)	Jan Bakewell	Be a responsible Council	Report	26 June 2023 (Completed)
Workforce Strategy Update	At the commission meeting on 26 June members discussed the issues around recruitment. Members request a brief update on the workforce strategy and its development as a extension to the discussion around the cost of Consultants within the council	To gain some understanding on the update of the strategy. Skill gaps Versus head count and demand Update on forward planning to optimise workforce capacity.	Corporate services (Cllr Bond)	Hannah Myers	Be a responsible Council	Report	16 October 2023 (Completed)
Impact of financial shock on residents and council's	Focus on the implications of the financial shock in 2022/23 on both	To understand, what work and support the council offered residence and to	ALL	Cath Fogarty	Be a responsible Council	Spotlight review	TBC

response to impact both for residents and itself	residences and to look at the council response	consider the wider issues. Overview of the implication on the council and, what it can and can't do in terms of ongoing demands, rising costs, wages and with less resource.					
Consultancy Report	Following on from the discussion at commission meeting on 26 June the chair requested a briefing to establish some understanding around the use of consultants across the council.	For members to gain a better understanding of this complex area. A broad understand of the totally cost. In particular around specialist consultancy and recruitment costs	Corporate services (Cllr Bond)	Noel O'Neill	Be a responsible Council	Report	15 January 2024 (Completed)
Annual Budget Scrutiny	The commission runs a task group as part of the council's budget process each year	To ensure the Council's budget setting process is robust and that Cabinet members understand budgets within their portfolios and the implication of budget changes and theirs and other	ALL	Cath Fogarty	Be a responsible Council	Spotlight Review	5 February 2024 (Completed)

		portfolios.					
Sustainability Development Goals. Implications Into reporting and wider thinking	SDGs consist of 17 global and interconnected goals relating to tackling inequality and addressing social, economic, and environmental issues.	To ensure that the SDG's embedded in reporting and thinking in day-to day business and big projects	ALL Invite Cllr Mancy Uddin as champion	Chris Collinge	Be a responsible Council	Report	22 April 2024