



Committee: OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Date: WEDNESDAY, 18 JANUARY 2023

Venue: MORECAMBE TOWN HALL

Time: 6.00 P.M.

Councillors are reminded that as Members of Overview and Scrutiny they may not be subjected to the Party Whip, which is prohibited under the Lancaster City Council Constitution.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies for Absence

2. Minutes

Minutes of the Meeting held on 7th December, 2022 (previously circulated).

3. Items of Urgent Business authorised by the Chair

4. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations by Councillors of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Councillors are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Councillors should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B Section 2 of the Code Of Conduct, Councillors are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

5. Work Programme Report (Pages 3 - 4)

Report of the Head of Democratic Services.

ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS

(i) Membership

Councillors Richard Austen-Baker (Chair), Darren Clifford (Vice-Chair), Paul Anderton, Alan Biddulph, Roger Dennison, Mandy King, Jack Lenox, Abi Mills and Joyce Pritchard

(ii) Substitute Membership

Councillors Gerry Blaikie, Tim Dant, Colin Hartley, Debbie Jenkins, Geoff Knight, David Whitaker, Bay Independent Group vacancy and Conservative vacancy

(iii) Queries regarding this Agenda

Please contact Jenny Kay, Democratic Services - email jkay@lancaster.gov.uk.

(iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies

Please contact Democratic Support email democracy@lancaster.gov.uk.

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Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Work Programme

18th January 2023

Report of the Head of Democratic Services

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To consider the Work Programme report.

This report is public.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- (1) That Members note the updated Work Programme, as detailed in Appendix A.
- (2) That the Committee considers the request to scrutinise United Utilities regarding issues arising from the recent water outage in the district in December 2022.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 The Committee is responsible for setting its own annual Work Programme within the terms of reference, as set out in the Council's Constitution.
- 1.2 Members are requested to consider and note the updated Work Programme attached at Appendix A that has been produced.

2. Updates

- 2.1 The Leader has requested that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee invite United Utilities to a future meeting to discuss the problems that occurred during the water outage in December 2022. This has also been raised with the County Council's Scrutiny Committee by a County Councillor from the district. The Committee is requested to agree a way forward on this issue.

SECTION 151 OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The S151 officer has been consulted and has no comments to make.

MONITORING OFFICER'S COMMENTS

The Monitoring Officer has been consulted and has no further comments to add.

BACKGROUND PAPERS	Contact Officer: Jenny Kay
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None.

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<u>Matter for Consideration</u>	<u>Detail</u>	<u>Comments/ Expected Date of Meeting</u>
Health Care meeting	Integrated Care Bodies etc. Previously requested by Council.	Provisionally arranged for 8 th February 2023
Council Priorities - Healthy and Happy Communities	The Committee to look at the 4 Corporate Plan priorities for 2030, with a meeting being arranged for each priority. To add value by considering to what extent the Council has delivered on the outcomes. Relevant officers and partners to be invited to attend meetings.	8 th February 2023
Council Priorities - A Co-operative, Kind and Responsible Council	The Committee to look at the 4 Corporate Plan priorities for 2030, with a meeting being arranged for each priority. To add value by considering to what extent the Council has delivered on the outcomes. Relevant officers and partners to be invited to attend meetings.	8 th March 2023
Flooding in Lancaster	Invite Lancashire County Council to discuss the risk of flooding in Lancaster City Centre.	TBC

Task Groups and Working Groups

Name	Progress	Action
Review of Recycling Working Group – requested by Council.	The Group held a public meeting on 30 th November to hear people’s ideas on how to tackle Fly Tipping.	Next meeting is being arranged.
Town centres to be re-imagined – incorporating vacant shops and markets. (Revitalising Key Centres Informal Task Group.)	Has met once.	On hold.
Planning Informal Task Group.	Awaiting consideration of the findings of the LGA Peer Challenge Review regarding Planning.	Tbc.
Ethical and Sustainable Investment Policy Task Group.	TBC	On hold until after May 2023.