

Draft Updated Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2024-25

(Updated: 9 January 2025, to be agreed by OSC 28 January 2025)

28 January 2025		
Sale of Bodicote House (Exempt item)	Holding the Executive to account To consider an exempt update (Item suggested by Chair and Vice-Chair and endorsed by Committee at 18 July meeting.)	Stephen Hinds, Corporate Director Resources and Transformation & Mona Walsh, Assistant Director Property Portfolio Holder for Finance, Property & Regeneration, Councillor Lesley McLean
Resettlement and Migration	This is a report to consider and reflect on the resettlement schemes in operation with Cherwell District Council, including a brief outline of the scope and history of these programmes, the resettlement work during the year highlighting successes and challenges.	Ian Boll - Corporate Director of Communities Nicola Riley, Assistant Director Wellbeing and Housing Councillor Nick Cotter - Executive Portfolio Holder for Housing
Performance Monitoring – Quarter Three (July to September 2024)	Performance Monitoring To consider the Quarter 3 performance report, with a focus on amber / red indicators, and provide comments to the Executive.	Shona Ware, Assistant Director Customer Focus & Celia Prado- Teeling, Performance Team Leader Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services, Councillor Chris Brant
Scrutiny Working Groups update	Standing item. Progress update relating to established working groups.	Working Group Members, Democratic and Elections Team
Scrutiny Work Programme 2024-25 (Updated)	Standing item.	Overview & Scrutiny Committee Chair, Democratic and Elections Team



	Review of work programme, update on topics suggested for consideration, update on items previously considered	
11 March 2025		
Cherwell Safer Communities Partnership Attendance by the Chief Constable and the Police and Crime Commissioner for the Thames Valley	External Scrutiny To fulfil the Council's requirement regarding crime and disorder scrutiny to review or scrutinise decisions made, or other action taken, in connection with the discharge by the responsible authorities of their crime and disorder functions no less than once in every twelve-month period. All Members are invited to attend the meeting.	Ian Boll, Corporate Director Communities Portfolio Holder for Safer Communities, Councillor Rob Parkinson
New Council Offices at Castle Quay (Exempt item) Moved from 26 November to 28 January 2025)	Holding the Executive to account To consider an exempt update (Item suggested by Chair and Vice-Chair and endorsed by Committee at 18 July meeting.)	Stephen Hinds, Corporate Director Resources and Transformation & Mona Walsh, Assistant Director Property Portfolio Holder for Finance, Property & Regeneration, Councillor Lesley McLean
Transformation Programme Moved from 28 January 2025 to 11 March 2025?	Holding the Executive to account. To consider an update on the transformation programme (Item suggested by Chair and Vice-Chair and endorsed by Committee at 18 July meeting.)	Stephen Hinds, Corporate Director Resources and Transformation & Shona Ware, Assistant Director Customer Focus Leader & Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership, Councillor David Hingley



18 March 2025		
Everybody's Wellbeing Strategy Impact Assessment (moved from 28 January 2025)	Policy Development and Monitoring To consider how the impact of the new wellbeing strategy will be measured	Nicola Riley, Assistant Director Wellbeing and Housing & Tom Gubbins, Wellbeing Manager Portfolio Holder for healthy Communities, Councillor Rob Pattenden
Draft Performance Monitoring – Outcomes Framework 2025/26	Performance Monitoring. To consider and make comments / recommendations to Executive on the draft Performance Outcomes Framework for 2025-2026 prior to Executive adoption of the framework	Shona Ware, Assistant Director Customer Focus & Celia Prado-Teeling, Performance Team Leader Portfolio Holder for Corporate Services, Councillor Chris Brant
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Items to be referred for consideration in 2024-2025		
Council Owned Companies (Graven Hill and Crown House)	<p>Holding the Executive to account / External Scrutiny</p> <p>The Shareholder Representative to update the Committee and answer questions relating to companies owned by the Council and the performance of those companies</p> <p>(Item suggested by Chair and Vice-Chair and endorsed by Committee at 18 July meeting.)</p>	<p>Stephen Hinds, Shareholder Representative</p> <p>Leader & Portfolio Holder for Strategic Leadership, Councillor David Hingley</p>

Scrutiny Working Groups

Scrutiny Working Groups and informal working parties that are established by the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to consider particular matters and report back. They're made up of non-Executive Members of the Council appointed by the Committee.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee has established the following Scrutiny Working Groups for 2024-2025:

- Equalities and Diversity Scrutiny Working Group
- Food Insecurity Scrutiny Working Group
- Climate Action Scrutiny Working Group.
- Planning Application Appeals and Resettlement Scrutiny Working Group (a one meeting Spotlight Review) – 25th February 2025.
- Resettlement and Migration through Scrutiny Working Group (a one meeting Spotlight Review) – this is now to be taken as an item on OSC 28 January 2025.

Reports from the Scrutiny Working Groups are made to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee to note and for the public record.

Meeting Dates 2024/25 (All Tuesday, 6.30pm unless indicated)

13 June 2024, 18 July 2024, 15 October 2024, 12 November 2024 (*Extraordinary*), 26 November 2024, 28 January 2025, 11 March 2025, 18 March 2025.

Scrutiny Work Programme Items:

Members are reminded of the five roles of scrutiny when considering items for the work programme:

- Performance Monitoring; Policy Development; Policy Review; Holding the Executive to Account; External Scrutiny

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