

SCRUTINY PROGRAMME BOARD

Wednesday 4 March 2026

Present

Councillor Williams, M (Chair)
Councillors Rees, Pole and Cookson

Apologies

Councillor Mitchell, K.

Also Present

Democratic Services Manager

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ITEMS REFERRED TO SCRUTINY

Following discussion the Unadopted Housing Developments motion, point 7, the matter of monitoring the implementation of the resolutions be referred to the relevant Scrutiny Committee, was allocated to the Strategic Scrutiny Committee.

It was suggested that a traffic light report along with a verbal update be brought to Strategic Scrutiny Committee.

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SCRUTINY PROPOSALS SUBMITTED BY MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

The proposal from Councillor Wetenhall regarding Community Land Trusts was allocated to the Strategic Scrutiny Committee. It was agreed that the Democratic Services Manager would ask the Strategic Director whether an update within the relevant Portfolio Holder's report or for guidance on the format of future scrutiny.

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SCRUTINY NOTE

The Scrutiny Note of the previous meeting held on 8 January 2026 was agreed subject to a typographical correction from 'OT' to 'It'.

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REVIEW WORK PLANS

It was noted that each committee was maintaining an up-to-date work plan with the Chair and Deputy of each reviewing this at Chair's briefings.

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SCRUTINY PRIORITIES 2026/27

During discussion the following priorities were identified for each committee:

Customer Focus Scrutiny Committee

- New Homelessness Strategy
- Key People Across the Council – monitoring
- Community Safety Partnership
- Ongoing scrutiny of the Budget
- Feeding into the budget planning

Strategic Scrutiny Committee

- Local Plan
- Air Quality
- Local Government Reorganisation

The Chair thanked Councillor Rees on behalf of the Scrutiny Programme Board as she indicated that this was her last meeting.

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SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2025/26

A workshop session was held to support the Democratic Services Manager in pulling together the content of the Scrutiny Annual Report.

(The meeting commenced at 7.00 pm and closed at 7.56 pm preceded by a workshop which commenced at 5.30pm)

Chair