

## **Report of the Director of Finance and Corporate Services**

### 1. Summary

- 1.1. The work programmes for all Scrutiny Groups are created and managed by the Corporate Overview Group. This Group accepts and considers Scrutiny Matrices from both officers and councillors which propose items for scrutiny. If those items are accepted following discussion at the Corporate Overview Group, they are placed on the work programme for one of the Council's Scrutiny Groups.
- 1.2. The work programme is also a standing item for discussion at each meeting of the Communities Scrutiny Group. In determining the proposed work programme due regard has been given to matters usually reported to the Group and the timing of issues to ensure best fit within the Council's decision-making process.
- 1.3. The work programme is detailed in this report for information only so that the Group is aware of the proposed agenda for the next meeting. The work programme does not take into account any items that need to be considered by the Group as special items. These may occur, for example, through changes required to the Constitution or financial regulations, which have an impact on the internal controls of the Council.
- 1.4. The future work programme was updated and agreed at the meeting of the Corporate Overview Group on 21 February 2023, including any items raised via the scrutiny matrix.

Members are asked to propose future topics to be considered by the Group, in line with the Council's priorities which are:

- Quality of Life;
- Efficient Services;
- Sustainable Growth; and
- The Environment

#### 2. Recommendation

It is RECOMMENDED that the Group agrees the work programme for next year 2023 – 2024 as set out below:

### July 2023 (date TBC)

- Review of the Empty Homes Strategy and Council Tax implications
- Work Programme

## October 2023 (date TBC)

- Future topics TBC
- Work Programme

# January 2024 (date TBC)

- Future topics TBC
- Work Programme

#### March 2024 (date TBC)

- Future topics TBC
- Work Programme

## 3. Reason for Recommendation

To enable the Council's scrutiny arrangements to operate efficiently and effectively.

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