## **Rushcliffe Borough Council – Scrutiny Matrix**

Councillor Request for Scrutiny  Councillors Barney, Brennan, Clarke, Combellack, Dickman, and Upton		
Proposed topic of scrutiny	Sewerage Infrastructure and Discharge within Rushcliffe	
I would like to understand (key lines of enquiry)	Councillors are concerned about sewage infrastructure and unlawful discharges in the Borough and the impact on the environment, humans and wildlife locally.  Councillors need to be in a position to reassure residents that sewage is fully treated before any discharge to water courses; a better understanding of the sewage system and controls within the Borough and how the situation can be addressed would therefore be helpful.	
	At Growth and Development Scrutiny in September 2022, representatives from Severn Trent Water and the Environment Agency attended to inform Councillors about the situation in Rushcliffe regarding sewage infrastructure and unlawful discharges and their respective roles. At that meeting it was resolved that further scrutiny, related to the issue be brought back to a future meeting of the committee.	
	As the lead local flood authority, Councillors would like to invite Nottinghamshire County Council to attend a meeting of the committee, to provide an overview of their role with regards to Sewerage Infrastructure and Discharge within Rushcliffe and to set out their relevant plans for the coming year.	
I think this topic should be scrutinised because  (please tick)	Poor Performance Identified Change in Legislation or Local Policy ✓ Resident Concern or Interest Cabinet Recommendation Links to the Corporate Strategy	
	Other (please state reason)	

Officer Consideration of Councillor Request for Scrutiny		
Officer Feedback (please tick)	Officer Comment	
- Issue already being addressed	×	
<ul> <li>Issue has already been considered in the last 2 years?</li> </ul>	✓	
- Issue is a legal matter	×	
- Issue of a complaint investigation	×	
- Issue is a staffing matter	×	
There is an alternative way of dealing with the issue	×	
Is there sufficient capacity		
- Scrutiny Work Programme?	✓	
- Officer Resources?	1	
Recommendation	Growth and Development Scrutiny Group	
Lead Officer	Catherine Evans	
Proposed Timescale for Scrutiny and Scrutiny Group	January 2024	