Rushcliffe Borough Council – Scrutiny Matrix

Councillor Request for Scrutiny

Councillor C Thomas

Proposed topic of scrutiny	East Midlands Airport - impacts of future flight path changes and aircraft noise in general		
I would like to understand (key lines of enquiry)	EMA is currently in a lengthy consultation and design process to review airspace. i.e. flight paths. Parts of Rushcliffe are already heavily impacted by aircraft noise and changes to the airspace has the potential to improve or worsen the situation for residents currently affected and those elsewhere in Rushcliffe.		
	This scrutiny item would invite EMA to explain the process, members to question, and Rushcliffe to influence the outcome for the benefit of residents. This is an ongoing process and more than one discussion might be helpful over the period of the review.		
	Looking at the aircraft noise problem in general for communities and homes already affected, there could be consideration of noise insulation standards to feed into planning when it comes to new builds. For existing homes there could be advice and exploration of measures and any grants available. Similarly for community buildings like village halls and churches adversely affected by noise. The issues linking to the corporate strategy are health and wellbeing and quality of life.		
I think this topic should be	Poor Performance Identified		
scrutinised because	XChange in Legislation or Local PolicyXResident Concern or Interest		

(please tick)		Cabinet Recommendation
	Х	Links to the Corporate Strategy
		Other (please state reason)

Officer Consideration of Councillor Request for Scrutiny

Officer Feedback (please tick)

- Issue already being addressed	×	Issue of a complaint investigation	×
- Issue has already been considered in the last 2 years?	×	Issue is a staffing matter	×
- Issue is a legal matter	×	There is an alternative way of dealing with the issue	×
Is there sufficient capacity			
- Scrutiny Work Programme?	✓		
- Officer Resources?	✓		
Recommendation	Schedule for Scrutiny		

Consideration of Request for Scrutiny at COG

Public Involvement / engagement?	
Expert witnesses?	Officers will try to engage a representative from the airport to come and participate
Portfolio holder?	Cabinet member nominated to Nottingham East Midlands Airport Independent Consultative Committee – Outside Body
Lead Officer?	Geoff Carpenter
Proposed Timescale for Scrutiny and Scrutiny Group	January 2024 – Communities Scrutiny Group