

Rushcliffe Borough Council – Scrutiny Matrix

Officer Request for Scrutiny	
Proposed topic of scrutiny ...	The provision of services for children and young people in Rushcliffe – emerging trends and gaps considering the COVID pandemic
I would like to understand ... (key lines of enquiry)	<p>Rushcliffe Borough Council provides support to children and young people through a wide variety of community engagement initiatives and campaigns. Activities are delivered through a combination of Service Level Agreements (SLA) and contracts with external providers, as well as through directly via internal council teams.</p> <p>The Council's largest project supporting children and young people is with Trent Bridge Community Trust (TBCT) who facilitate delivery of the Positive Futures and YouNG programmes in Rushcliffe. Total financial commitment for the TBCT SLA is £192,000 per annum.</p> <p>The key lines of enquiry for the scrutiny are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What impact has Covid had on the delivery of the TBCT SLA since it was recommissioned in January 2021? • What are the current challenges delivering the SLA and trends observed in supporting young people in the Borough? • In light of the pandemic, are any adjustments required to ensure that we are providing support where required?
I think this topic should be scrutinised because ... (please tick)	<input type="checkbox"/> Poor Performance Identified
	<input type="checkbox"/> Change in Legislation or Local Policy
	<input type="checkbox"/> Resident Concern or Interest
	<input type="checkbox"/> Cabinet Recommendation
	<input type="checkbox"/> Links to the Corporate Strategy
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please state reason)
	Concerns raised in Portfolio Holder Briefing

Officer Consideration of Officer Request for Scrutiny

Officer Feedback (please tick)	✓	Officer Comment
- Issue already being addressed	x	
- Issue has already been considered in the last 2 years?	x	
- Issue is a legal matter	x	
- Issue of a complaint investigation	x	
- Issue is a staffing matter	x	
- There is an alternative way of dealing with the issue	x	
Is there sufficient capacity ...		
- Scrutiny Work Programme?	✓	
- Officer Resources?	✓	
Recommendation	<p>Even though it has been a short period since the SLA has been recommissioned there has been significant challenges facing children and young people in light of the pandemic, particularly around mental health, access to education and employment opportunities and it is appropriate to scrutinise our current arrangements and make recommendations based on the latest information available to partners.</p>	
Lead Officer	Derek Hayden	
Proposed Timescale for Scrutiny and Scrutiny Group	October 2021 – Communities Scrutiny Group	

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Councillor Request for Scrutiny

Councillor C Thomas

Proposed topic of scrutiny	Planning Policy / Guidance for solar farms	
I would like to understand (key lines of enquiry)	<p>This scrutiny seeks to understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What is council policy on solar farms? • Why is there a surge in applications for solar farms in the south of Rushcliffe at present? Is this due to a change in government policy? • What are the positive and negative impacts of solar farms on countryside and agricultural land? • How do solar farms relate to green belt policy? • How have the existing solar farms in Rushcliffe, and elsewhere, been received by neighbouring residents and what has been learnt from these installations? • Is there any way for the Council to encourage solar panels on roofs of buildings, particularly on the large development sites, possibly to reduce the need for solar farms on agricultural land? • Should the Council produce SPG to help guide location, construction and subsequent management of new solar farms? 	
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	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Resident Concern or Interest
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cabinet Recommendation
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Links to the Corporate Strategy
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other (please state reason)
		Recent surge in applications

Officer Consideration of Councillor Request for Scrutiny

Officer Feedback (please tick)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Officer Comment
- Issue already being addressed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- Issue has already been considered in the last 2 years?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

- Issue is a legal matter	x	
- Issue of a complaint investigation	x	
- Issue is a staffing matter	x	
- There is an alternative way of dealing with the issue	x	
Is there sufficient capacity		
- Scrutiny Work Programme?	✓	Recommend scheduling for 2022/23
- Officer Resources?	✓	If delayed into the new year
Recommendation	Accept for scrutiny	
Lead Officer	Richard Mapletoft	
Proposed Timescale for Scrutiny and Scrutiny Group	July 2022 – Growth and Development Scrutiny Group	

Appendix

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Councillor Request for Scrutiny		
Councillor R Walker		
Proposed topic of scrutiny ...	Sports Development in Rushcliffe	
I would like to understand ... (key lines of enquiry)	<p>This scrutiny seeks to understand:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What measures are in place to track participation in sport/physical activity in the Borough? • What these measures tell us about trends? • How we are tackling under-representation within particular groups? • How we can further improve school/club links and increase competition in school sport? • How is the Borough delivering community sport and physical activity opportunities? • What are the barriers to increasing participation and what interventions/resources are needed to overcome them? 	
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	<input type="checkbox"/>	Cabinet Recommendation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Links to the Corporate Strategy
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please state reason)
Officer Consideration of Councillor Request for Scrutiny		
Officer Feedback (please tick)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Officer Comment
- Issue already being addressed	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- Issue has already been considered in the last 2 years?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- Issue is a legal matter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- Issue of a complaint investigation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- Issue is a staffing matter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
- There is an alternative way of dealing with the issue	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Is there sufficient capacity ...		

- Scrutiny Work Programme?	✓	Recommend scheduling for 2022/23
- Officer Resources?	✓	If delayed into the new year
Recommendation	Accept for scrutiny	
Lead Officer	Derek Hayden	
Proposed Timescale for Scrutiny and Scrutiny Group	July 2022 – Communities Scrutiny Group	

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Councillor / Officer Request for Scrutiny	
Councillor Tina Combellack / Charlotte Caven-Atack	
Proposed topic of scrutiny ...	The Impact of Covid-19 on Rushcliffe Borough Council
I would like to understand ... (key lines of enquiry)	<p>What has already been reported on Covid-19 (links to existing reports)</p> <p>A timeline of events effecting the Council</p> <p>How the Council responded to the initial lockdown</p> <p>The Council's Emergency Planning arrangements</p> <p>The impact of Covid-19 on the Council's staff</p> <p>The impact of Covid-19 on the Council's services</p> <p>The impact of Covid-19 on the Council's contracted services</p> <p>The impact of Covid-19 on the Borough's voluntary sector, sports clubs and community groups</p> <p>The impact of Covid-19 on significant Council projects</p> <p>What the Council considers to be its critical success factors</p> <p>What the Council considers to be lessons learnt</p>
I think this topic should be	Poor Performance Identified

scrutinised because ... (please tick)		Change in Legislation or Local Policy
	✓	Resident Concern or Interest
		Cabinet Recommendation
		Links to the Corporate Strategy
		Other (please state reason)

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- Issue is a staffing matter		
- There is an alternative way of dealing with the issue		
Is there sufficient capacity ...		
- Scrutiny Work Programme?	✓	
- Officer Resources?	✓	Barring a significant winter spike of Covid-19 causing further impact to the Borough Council
Recommendation	Item progresses to Scrutiny	
Lead Officer	Charlotte Caven-Atack	
Proposed Timescale for Scrutiny and Scrutiny Group	Corporate Overview Group – February 2022	