Economy, Place, Access, and Transport Scrutiny Committee Work Plan

Quarterly finance and performance monitoring reports:

To include along with papers for the relevant committee date, but not to be treated as a substantive agenda item. We can still raise questions/comments about them though by exception if Members wish to; perhaps then following up with specific agenda item in future.

Possible Task and Finish Groups to run in parallel. Detailed scope needs working out between interested Members prior to committee approval.

- Grass verges, etc?

Interested Members: Cllrs Hook, Steward, and Taylor.

- Broadband installation issues?

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Role of Executive Members:

- Expected to attend items relevant to their portfolio area
- Committee Members to maintain sight of Executive business and flag up specific issues/reports to bring to committee for scrutiny, pending space on the workplan.

Other notes for info:

To give sufficient notice we should aim to confirm these no later than 2 calendar months prior to each meeting. We should aim to keep to two substantive items per meeting to give the Committee sufficient time to properly consider an item.

Theme	Item	Lead Officer	Scope
21 May 2024			
	Local Transport Plan update / latest consultation / upcoming decisions?	James Gilchrist Michael Howard Julian Ridge	
25 June 2024			
	York pipeline of proposals for Combined Authority Yorkshire Water - sewage dumping / performance /	Samuel Blyth	
	improvement plans?		
	Task and Finish Group – Dial and Ride		
30 July 2024 (meeting Cancelled)			
	(Out-turn) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report	Patrick Looker	
	Broadband: management of installation process and its impact on communities, maximising connectivity in harder-to-reach / isolated areas.		
	Toilet provision across the city: improving the public offer.		
24 September 2024			
	(Out-turn) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report	Patrick Looker	

22 October 2024	Local Transport Strategy Implementation Plan Public toilet provision and what the Council is doing / can do to improve the offer (both in terms of quality, accessibility, and availability)	James Gilchrist	
22 0010001 2024	(Q1) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report	Patrick Looker	
	City centre access: reviewing the implementation / restoration of access for blue badge holders; including data on the numbers/types of vehicles accessing during foot street hours. Plus looking at faults with HVB.		
	Broadband management of installation process and its impact on communities, maximising connectivity in harder-to-reach / isolated areas.		

26 November 2024			
	Neighbourhood Caretakers -		
	what's going on with these,		
	how can Scrutiny help		
	Travel to School - plans for each		
	school to make daily journeys		
	safer, increase active travel,		
	reduce congestion and air		
	pollution around school sites		
10 December 2024			
	(Q2) Finance and Performance	Patrick Looker	
	Monitoring Report		
	Economic Strategy progress		
	update		
	Economic Development - CYC /		
	MIY / MCA / York Economic		
	Partnership?		
28 January 2025			
	Review of Garden Waste	James Gilchrist	
	collections following the		
	introduction of charges	Ben Grabham	
	Review of bags to bins		
	Recycling (particularly garden		
	waste / composing) and how		
	the Council can increase rates,		

	as well as education about recycling opportunities, across the city.			
25 March 2025				
	(Q3) Finance and Performance	Patrick Looker		
	Monitoring Report			
29 April 2025				

Potential Scrutiny agenda items suggested by Committee Members not currently on the work plan:

Economy

- York's Gender Pay Gap
- Tourism Levy: what's being done elsewhere, what is possible here?
- Focus on Council-owned / part-owned companies?

Place

- Planning Enforcement / Member involvement in Planning
- Make It York normally receive annual update but what would we specifically want from them? Possibly something on relationship with market traders and plans for the market.
- York BID normally receive annual update as above, and is the scrutiny of their business membership sufficient given our limited meeting time?
- York Central: once the Master Developers start progressing their plans, could this committee have a role in giving early steer on them for relevant items?

Access

• Age Friendly York: Can Scrutiny assist their Evolving Action Plan?

Transport

- Buses: network coverage and frequency, BSIP plan implementation and use of funding, improving the Enhanced Bus Partnership, Integration with Railway Station / Park & Ride, Bus Stop improvements, Passenger Information
- Car Parking: provision across the city covering public, private and Park & Ride, income received, use, impact on closing Castle Car Park on the wider estate, wider aims e.g. shifting to less polluting vehicles.
- Bus lane enforcement on Coppergate drop between July 2023 and October 2023 / ANPR enforcement across the city.
- Review of Council's pedestrian crossing policy
- Travel to School plans for each school to make daily journeys safer, increase active travel, reduce congestion and air pollution around school sites