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Scrutiny topic registration form

Fields marked with an asterisk * are required.

* Proposed topic:		Planning Enforcement Scrutinise the resources to look at the timescales for completion of enforcement cases
* Councillor registering the topic		Wiseman - Councillor Sian Wiseman
Submitted due to an unresolved 'Cllr Call for Action' enquiry		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<p>Please complete this section as thoroughly as you can. The information provided will help Scrutiny Officers and Scrutiny Members to assess the following key elements to the success of any scrutiny review:</p> <p>How a review should best be undertaken given the subject Who needs to be involved What should be looked at By when it should be achieved; and Why we are doing it ?</p>		
Please describe how the proposed topic fits with 3 of the eligibility criteria attached.		
	Yes?	
		Policy Development & Review
		Service Improvement & Delivery
		Accountability of Executive Decisions
Public Interest (ie. in terms of both proposals being in the public interest and resident perceptions)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> √ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Under Performance / Service Dissatisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> √ <input type="checkbox"/>
In keeping with corporate priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Level of Risk	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>
Service Efficiency	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> √ <input type="checkbox"/>
National/local/regional significance e.g. A central government priority area, concerns joint working arrangements at a local 'York' or wider regional context	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/>

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*** Set out briefly the purpose of any scrutiny review of your proposed topic. What do you think it should achieve?**

Does the resources available to the planning enforcement department contribute to the delay in bringing enforcement cases to a satisfactory conclusion?

*** Please explain briefly what you think any scrutiny review of your proposed topic should cover.**

Review the recommendations made by previous scrutiny committee on take away enforcement. Review the Councils policy on court action in planning enforcement cases and make recommendation

Please indicate which other Councils, partners or external services could, in your opinion, participate in the review, saying why.

None

Explain briefly how, in your opinion, such a review might be most efficiently undertaken?

Speak to the relevant parties such as Officers from the Planning Department, Planning Enforcement Officers, any other associated Officers that may be associated with planning enforcement, Legal Services and Members. Study statistics of cases open and closed and compare these with similar authorities. Study the recommendations made for the 'Powers of Enforcement – Take-Aways' Scrutiny Review and look at what difference these recommendations made. Explore how or if the result of this scrutiny review changed the way Enforcement was conducted. If it did change the way it was conducted then how was this achieved?

Investigate whether the Planning Enforcement Service Guidelines could be adapted to form a Charter and/or a policy.

Estimate the timescale for completion.		1-3 months 3-6 months - ✓ 6-9 months
Support documents or other useful information		

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