

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	Samuel Blyth	
	Yorkshire Water - sewage dumping / performance / improvement plans?		
	Take and Finish Group – Dial and Ride		
30 July 2024			
Re-scheduled to 25/02/25			
24 September 2024			
	(Out-turn) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report	Patrick Looker	
	Toilet provision across the city: improving the public offer.	James Gilchrist Ben Grabham	
	Local Transport Strategy (implementation plan)	James Gilchrist	
22 October 2024			
	(Q1) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report		

	<p>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.</p>		
	<p>Broadband: management of installation process and its impact on communities, maximising connectivity in harder-to-reach / isolated areas.</p>		
26 November 2024			
	<p>Travel to School - plans for each school to make daily journeys safer, increase active travel, reduce congestion and air pollution around school sites.</p>		
	<p>Recycling:</p> <p>- How is the Council performing on household recycling? <i>Ideally with a view over time, e.g. previous 10 years, and comparison with other similar Local Authority</i></p>		

	<p><i>areas.</i></p> <p>- What are the challenges to performing better and, despite those, what more will / can be done to increase recycling rates and improve residents' awareness about other recycling opportunities across the city?</p>		
10 December 2024			
	(Q2) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report	Patrick Looker	
	Economic Strategy progress update?		
	Economic Development - CYC / MIY / MCA / York Economic Partnership?		
28 January 2025			
	Garden waste collections: review of implementation of charging arrangements.	James Gilchrist Ben Grabham	
	Review of bags to bins.		
	Neighbourhood Caretakers: can Scrutiny inform these plans?		

25 February			
25 March 2025			
	(Q3) Finance and Performance Monitoring Report	Patrick Looker	
29 April 2025			

Potential Scrutiny agenda items suggested by Committee Members:

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?
- Budget savings: 2024/25 budget includes £900k savings in service delivery, transformation, and procurement across Place Directorate – can Scrutiny review any proposals lined up for services under EPAT's remit? Covered by F&P Monitoring reports?

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.
- Parking enforcement and residents parking: cost, usage, equality, conditions relating to the Environment, use of any surplus generated, providing services the third parties e.g. car tax and insurance enforcement.
- Bus lane enforcement on Coppergate - drop between July 2023 and October 2023 / ANPR enforcement across the city.
- Review of Council's pedestrian crossing policy