

# SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME



containing scrutiny work to be undertaken  
NOVEMBER 2014 – OCTOBER 2015

The scrutiny work programme belongs to the council's Scrutiny Committee and sets out a schedule of scrutiny work due to be carried out over during period shown above. It is a rolling plan, subject to change at each Scrutiny Committee meeting; however, the scrutiny work programme and changes to it are subject to the council's approval.

Representations can be made on any of the following issues before an item is considered by the Scrutiny Committee. Representations must be made to the relevant contact officer shown below by 10am on the day the Committee is due to meet. The meeting dates are shown below.

Item title	Meeting date	Lead officer	Cabinet member	Why is it here?	Scope	Notes
<b>Temporary Accommodation Strategy</b>	Scrutiny Committee 27 Nov 2014	Debbie Taylor, Head of Housing Email: debbie.taylor@southandvale.gov.uk	Roger Cox, Cabinet member for health and housing	At the request of the Scrutiny Committee	To assess whether RSLs are meeting temporary housing needs in the Vale	

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<b>Corporate Services Contract</b>	Scrutiny Committee 27 Nov 2014	Steve Bishop, Strategic Director steve.bishop@southhandvale.gov.uk		report explaining the market's appetite for this contract, which helps to shape the specific recommendations binding the council to the specific procurement strategy, the partners involved in any joint procurement and the actual services which will be exposed to market testing (and therefore exposed to potential outsourcing)		
<b>New Homelessness Strategy</b>	Scrutiny Committee 27 Nov 2014	Phil Ealey, Housing Needs Manager Email: phil.ealey@southandvale.gov.uk	Roger Cox, Cabinet member for health and housing	At request of Scrutiny Committee	Council's response to homeless people to whom it has a legal duty	

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<b>Review the council tax reduction scheme</b>	Scrutiny Committee 27 Nov 2014	Paul Howden	Matthew Barber, Cabinet member for finance	ensure the admin cost is less than the savings; county council and police meeting share of costs; review complaints		
<b>Brief for the review of the leisure strategy</b>	Scrutiny Committee 18 Dec 2014	Sophie Horsley sophie.horsley@southandvale.gov.uk				After it's last consideration of this item the committee requested to: "add this item to the scrutiny work programme for a further review after the local plan is approved."
<b>Elections</b>	Scrutiny Committee 18 Dec 2014	Steven Corrigan Tel. 01491 823049 Email: steven.corrigan@southandvale.gov.uk	Matthew Barber, Cabinet member for legal and democratic		To receive an update on the planning for the 2015 elections and an update on the implementation of the scrutiny committee's recommendations on the review of the 2011 local elections	

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<b>S106 Planning Obligations Monitoring Report</b>	Scrutiny Committee 18 Dec 2014	Adrian Duffield, Head of Planning	Roger Cox, Cabinet member for development management	At the request of the Scrutiny Committee	To consider and provide comments to the Cabinet member for development management on the progress in working with developers and the internal management and monitoring of planning obligations.	
<b>Review of Abingdon outdoor pool</b>	Scrutiny Committee 15 Jan 2015	Chris Tyson, Head of Leisure Economy and Property	Elaine Ware, Cabinet member for economy, leisure and property	To review the 2014 season		
<b>Community Safety Partnership, Review &amp; Future</b>	Scrutiny Committee 15 Jan 2015	Liz Hayden liz.hayden@southandvale.gov.uk				
<b>Review of final draft budget</b>	Scrutiny Committee 11 Feb 2015	William Jacobs, Head of Finance william.jacobs@southandvale.gov.uk				

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<b>Review of The Beacon Wantage</b>	Scrutiny Committee 25 Jun 2015	Jo Paterson	Elaine Ware, Cabinet member for property, leisure and economy	To review the success of The Beacon, one year on from rebranding. To assess performance against KPIs		
<b>Financial outturn 2014/15</b>	Scrutiny Committee 1 Sep 2015	William Jacobs, Head of Finance	Matthew Barber, Cabinet member for finance	Annual report to Scrutiny on the financial outturn or the previous year.	To make recommendations to Cabinet.	
<b>Financial Services Contract: Capita</b>	Scrutiny Committee 1 Sep 2015	William Jacobs, Head of Finance	Matthew Barber, Cabinet member for finance.	The committee undertakes an annual monitoring of the financial services contract.	To review the contractor's performance and to make any recommendations to the Cabinet member.	
<b>WiFi in Vale Towns</b>	Scrutiny Committee					Requested by Scrutiny committee.