

SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME



containing scrutiny work to be undertaken 1 MARCH 2015 - 29 FEBRUARY 2016

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
Review the council tax reduction scheme	Scrutiny Committee 26 Mar 2015	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		

Item title	Meeting date	Lead officer	Cabinet member	Why is it here?	Scope	Notes
Corporate Services Contract - inter council governance arrangements	Scrutiny Committee 26 Mar 2015	Steve Bishop, Strategic Director steve.bishop@southandvale.gov.uk	Matthew Barber, Leader of the Council	to consider the inter-council governance arrangements prior to the strategic director exercising delegated authority to approve and sign the inter-council agreement		
New Homelessness Strategy	Scrutiny Committee 26 Mar 2015	Phil Ealey, Housing Needs Manager phil.ealey@southandvale.gov.uk	Roger Cox, Cabinet member for housing	At the request of Scrutiny Committee	Council's response to homeless people to whom it has a legal duty	
Brief for the review of the leisure strategy	Scrutiny Committee 25 Jun 2015	Kate Arnold kate.arnold@southandvale.gov.uk	Elaine Ware, Cabinet member for leisure			After its 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."
Performance of Housing Associations	Scrutiny Committee 25 Jun 2015	Debbie McLatch, Head of Housing debbie.taylor@southandvale.gov.uk	Roger Cox, Cabinet member for housing	To scrutinise the work of major HAs within the Vale		

Item title	Meeting date	Lead officer	Cabinet member	Why is it here?	Scope	Notes
Annual Review of Horticulture Contract: Sodexo	Scrutiny Committee 25 Jun 2015	Ian Matten ian.matten@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for parks			
Annual Review of Waste Contract: Biffa	Scrutiny Committee 25 Jun 2015	Ian Matten ian.matten@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for waste			
Review of South & Vale CAB and Wantage Independent Advice Centre	Scrutiny Committee 30 Jul 2015	Shona Ware shona.ware@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for finance			
Temporary Accommodation Strategy	Scrutiny Committee 30 Jul 2015	Debbie McLatch, Head of Housing debbie.taylor@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for housing			
Equalities Review	Scrutiny Committee 30 Jul 2015	Sally Truman, Policy and Community Engagement Manager sally.truman@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for corporate strategy			
Review of The Beacon Wantage	Scrutiny Committee 30 Jul 2015	Jo Paterson jo.paterson@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for property, leisure and economy	To review the success of The Beacon, one year on from rebranding. To assess performance against KPIs		

Item title	Meeting date	Lead officer	Cabinet member	Why is it here?	Scope	Notes
Annual Review of the Leisure Contract: GLL	Scrutiny Committee 30 Jul 2015	Chris Tyson, Head of Leisure Economy and Property chris.tyson@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for leisure	Include minutes from previous outdoor pool review		
Financial outturn 2014/15	Scrutiny Committee 24 Sep 2015	William Jacobs, Head of Finance william.jacobs@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet member for finance	Annual report to Scrutiny on the financial outturn or the previous year.	To make recommendations to Cabinet.	
Financial Services Contract: Capita	Scrutiny Committee 24 Sep 2015	William Jacobs, Head of Finance william.jacobs@southandvale.gov.uk	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.	
Review of May 2015 Elections	Scrutiny Committee 24 Sep 2015	Steven Corrigan Democratic Services Manager Steven.corrigan@southandvale.gov.uk	Leader of the council	Requested by the committee on 18 December 2014		

Item title	Meeting date	Lead officer	Cabinet member	Why is it here?	Scope	Notes
Corporate Services Contract: Tender Evaluation Results	Scrutiny Committee 1 Nov 2015	Steve Bishop, Strategic Director steve.bishop@southandvale.gov.uk	Leader of the Council	to consider the tender evaluation results and the draft recommendations about any awarding the contract (including outsourcing decisions) prior to cabinet		
S106 Monitoring Report	Scrutiny Committee 1 Nov 2015	Adrian Duffield, Head of Planning adrian.duffield@southandvale.gov.uk	Cabinet Member for Planning Development	Requested by the committee on 18 December 2014		
Community Safety Partnership Annual Report	Scrutiny Committee 4 Jan 2016	Liz Hayden liz.hayden@southandvale.gov.uk				
Revenue Budget and Capital Programme	Scrutiny Committee 1 Feb 2016	William Jacobs, Head of Finance william.jacobs@southandvale.gov.uk				
WiFi in Vale Towns	Scrutiny Committee					Requested by Scrutiny committee.