

Borough of Telford and Wrekin

Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee Tuesday 20 June 2023

Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

Cabinet Member: Cllr Nathan England - Cabinet Member: Finance, Customer

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Wards Affected: All Wards

Key Decision: Not Key Decision **Forward Plan:** Not Applicable

Report considered SMT – 6 June 2023

by: Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee – 20 June 2023

1.0 Recommendations for decision/noting:

It is recommended that the Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee:

1.1 Review and agree the work programme set out at Appendix A.

2.0 Purpose of Report

2.1 To set the work programme for the Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee.

3.0 Background

3.1 Work programmes for scrutiny committees are reviewed annually, with a period of consultation taking place in the months running up to a new municipal year. The public, key stakeholders, and Council officers are asked to put forward scrutiny suggestions for inclusion on the coming year's work programme.

- 3.2 Following the consultation period, a draft work programme is presented to the Scrutiny Management Board and the Scrutiny Assembly for comment before being sent on to individual committees for final approval.
- 3.3 The Constitution states that scrutiny committees are to set and undertake their own programme of work, meeting as required to deliver their work programme.
- 3.4 Work programmes can be amended throughout the year if the committee or Scrutiny Assembly deem it necessary.

4.0 Summary of main proposals

4.1 The Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee review and approve the attached work programme.

5.0 Alternative Options

5.1 There are no alternative options presented.

6.0 Key Risks

6.1 There are no key risks arising from this report.

7.0 Council Priorities

7.1 This report aligns with the authority's priorities to be a community-focussed, innovative council providing efficient, effective, and quality services.

8.0 Financial Implications

8.1 Scrutiny has a role in ensuring that local government is effective and accountable. This includes undertaking reviews and challenging and monitoring performance. Support for the committee and the work programme are managed within existing resources. The financial implications of any recommendations made by Scrutiny should be considered as part of the specific reports making those recommendations.

9.0 Legal and HR Implications

9.1 In accordance with the Committee's Terms of Reference, the Committee will set its own work programme for the municipal year, will consider matters referred to it by the Scrutiny Management Board, and may make recommendations to Cabinet and Full Council following scrutiny.

10.0 Ward Implications

10.1 There are no ward implications.

11.0 Health, Social and Economic Implications

11.1 This report does not have any health, social, or economic implications.

12.0 Equality and Diversity Implications

12.1 There are no equality and diversity implications arising from this report.

13.0 Climate Change and Environmental Implications

13.1 There are no climate change or environmental implications arising from this report.

14.0 Background Papers

1 Council Constitution

15.0 Appendices

A Work Programme – Business and Finance Scrutiny Committee

16.0 Report Sign Off

Signed off by	Date sent	Date signed off	Initials
Finance	10/05/2023	10/05/2023	AEM
Legal Services	22/03/2023	23/05/2023	KF