

Environment Scrutiny Work Programme 2025/26

Issue / Topic	Brief Description	Directorate	Council Values/Priorities	Format	Meeting Comments
2 July 2025 – Committee Meeting					
Terms of Reference	For the Committee to agree the Terms of Reference for 2025/26.	Policy & Governance	A community-focussed, innovative council providing efficient, effective and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	Constitutional Function.
	Outcomes: Members agreed the terms of reference for the 2025/26 municipal year.				
Work Programme	For the Committee to agree the proposed work programme for 2025/26.	Policy & Governance	A community-focussed, innovative council providing efficient, effective and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	Draft work programme delegated to each scrutiny committee by SMB on 19 June 2025.
	Outcomes: Members agreed the updated work programme for the 2025/26 municipal year.				
Local Nature Recovery Strategy	For the Committee to receive an update on the Telford & Wrekin Local Nature Recovery Strategy.	Prosperity & Investment	All neighbourhoods are a great place to live. Our natural environment is protected, and the Council is taking a leading role in tackling the climate emergency. A community-focused, innovative council providing efficient, effective, and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion received for the work programme.
	Outcomes: Members received a presentation on the Shropshire, Telford & Wrekin Local Nature Recovery Strategy which included an overview of the Council's role as the supporting authority as defined by the Environment Act 2021. Members				

	received an update on the progress that had been made surrounding the development of the draft Strategy and completed actions since an update was last presented to the Committee at its meeting on 12 February 2025. Members requested that a further update be presented to Committee following the consultation period due to take place at the end of the year, before the formal adoption of the Strategy.
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22 October 2025 – Committee Meeting					
Contaminated Land Strategy 2025/26	For the Committee to review how the Council identifies and manages contaminated land sites in the Borough.	Neighbourhood & Enforcement Services	All neighbourhoods are a great place to live. Our natural environment is protected, and the Council is taking a leading role in tackling the climate emergency. A community-focused, innovative council providing efficient, effective, and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion received for the work programme.
	Outcomes:				

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4 March 2026 – Committee Meeting					
Shropshire Good Food – 12 month Review	For the Committee to receive an annual update on the Shropshire Good Food Project.	Communities, Customer & Commercial Services	A community-focussed, innovative council providing efficient, effective and quality services. Our natural environment is protected – we take a leading role in addressing the climate emergency.	Committee Agenda Item	Standing Item.
	Outcomes:				

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29 April 2026 – Committee Meeting					
Climate Change and Adaptation	For the Committee to receive an annual update on the Council's Climate Change agenda.	Communities, Customer & Commercial Services	Our natural environment is protected – we take a leading role in addressing the climate emergency.	Committee Agenda Item	Standing Item.
	Outcomes:				
Local Nature Recovery Strategy	For the Committee to receive an update on the Telford & Wrekin Local Nature Recovery Strategy.	Prosperity & Investment	All neighbourhoods are a great place to live. Our natural environment is protected, and the Council is taking a leading role in tackling the climate emergency. A community-focused, innovative council providing efficient, effective, and quality services.	Committee Agenda Item	Further update post adoption of formal strategy.
	Outcomes:				

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To be scheduled					
Surface Water Flooding Strategy	For the Committee to assess the risks and causes of surface water flooding in the Borough, review current mitigation measures and review how well agencies worked together to address issues.	Neighbourhood & Enforcement External	All neighbourhoods are a great place to live.	Task and Finish Group	New suggestion received for the work programme.
			Our natural environment is protected, and the Council is taking a leading role in tackling the climate emergency.		Cross-cutting to include members from Communities Scrutiny.
	Outcomes:				
Street Waste	For the Committee to receive an update on the Council’s process for managing street waste following the pilot of the dual-recycling bins.	Neighbourhood & Enforcement	All neighbourhoods are a great place to live.	Committee Agenda Item	New suggestion received for the work programme.
			Our natural environment is protected, and the Council is taking a leading role in tackling the climate emergency.		
	Outcomes:				