

Communities Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Plan

Note: Items entered in italics have not been approved for submission by the Committee. Such reports are listed here for information, pending formal approval.

Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered
7 December	<i>Cllr Rhys Thomas</i>	1. Housing Rent Increase and Budgets 2024 / 25	To consider the process for determining the recommendation on the level of weekly rent increase for Community Housing tenants.	Pre-decision scrutiny to determine: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> I. has the increase being proposed adequately considered II. the impact on affordability for households and III. the impact of other options on Housing investment budgets. 	Liz Grieve / Geoff Davies	By SC&VCG 03/10/23
	<i>Leader</i>	2. Rhyl Regeneration Programme and Governance	To examine the effectiveness of the Programme Board's work in delivering the regeneration programme to date	Identification of any barriers or slippages and the formulation of recommendations to try and address them and sustain the delivery of the programme to secure the regeneration of Rhyl to benefit the economy and the lives of the town's residents and the county in general	<i>Tony Ward</i>	<i>June 2022</i>
1 February 2024	<i>Cllr. Barry Mellor</i>	1. <i>Draft Car Park Investment Plan 2024 – 2029 (tbc)</i>	<i>To examine the draft investment plan for the county-owned car parks</i>	<i>The development of a deliverable programme of investment in the county's car parks that will support the delivery of a prosperous, better connected, greener, fairer, safe and more equal Denbighshire</i>	<i>Emlyn Jones/Mike Jones</i>	<i>October 2023</i>
	<i>Cllr Rhys Thomas</i>	2 Community Housing Tenancy Management	To consider the management of council housing /estates. Including support available	To examine the Community Housing Team's management of council housing estates - dealing with complaints about tenant behaviour whilst supporting victims and perpetrators of breaches of tenancy.	Geoff Davies / Liz Grieve	SC&VCG November 2023

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				to all households and powers to deal with breaches of tenancy conditions.			
	Cllr Rhys Thomas	3	Council Housing Tenant Feedback and Satisfaction	To review feedback from Council tenants about the service including local priorities and satisfaction with their homes and the services provided	To assess whether council tenants are receiving a satisfactory service from the council and to highlight any local community issues.	Geoff Davies / Liz Grieve	SC&VCG November 2023
14 March							
9 May	Cllr. Barry Mellor	1.	Tree Maintenance & Management (tbc)	To examine the Council's policy(ies) relating to tree maintenance and management along with the resources allocated for tree maintenance and management work across Denbighshire	An evaluation of the effectiveness of the Council's current work in relation to tree management and maintenance with a view to securing sufficient resources to ensure the delivery the Council's Corporate Plan themes of a greener, and a fairer, safe and more equal Denbighshire whilst also supporting the ambition of becoming an ecologically positive and net carbon zero authority by 2030.	Andrew Cutts/Joel Walley/Emlyn Jones	By SCVCG July 2023
	Cllr. Win Mullen-James	2.	Second Homes and Short-term Holiday lets	To report the findings and conclusions of the	(i) An assessment of the proposals' anticipated impact on Denbighshire County Council,	Emlyn Jones/Angela Loftus/Lara	June 2022 (rescheduled November

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			and their impact have been fully assessed) (timing tbc – once the full details of the WG proposals are known (incl. Licensing Scheme proposals)	Welsh Government's study in relation to addressing the impact of second home ownership in Wales, including its proposals for reviewing the regulatory framework and system as they apply to holiday accommodation, along with national and local taxation systems (the WG's "three-pronged approach to address [the] second homes crisis"	residents, businesses, and local economy Formulation of recommendations with a view to realising maximum benefits for the Council, residents businesses and the economy, or for mitigating the impact of any risks that may arise from any proposals	Griffiths/Paul Barnes/Gareth Roberts	2022/ March 2023/ October 2023)
(check if any WG reviews/legislation outstanding in relation to sustainable transport at present)	Cllr. Barry Mellor	3	Draft Sustainable Transport Plan	To consider the initial findings following the consultation of the draft plan	Pre-decision scrutiny to enable the formulation of recommendations to Cabinet in relation to approving and adopting a Sustainable Transport Plan for the county that will support the delivery of the Corporate Plan themes of a better connected and greener Denbighshire, whilst also contributing to the Council's ambition of becoming net carbon zero and ecologically positive by 2030	Emlyn Jones/Mike Jones	By SCVCG July 2023

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27 June							
5 September							
24 October							
12 December							
2025							
Feb 2025 (date tbc)							
March/ April (date tbc)	Leader/Cllr. Barry Mellor	1.	Rhyl Promenade Masterplan	To examine the proposals contained in the Rhyl Promenade Masterplan to be implemented following the completion of the coastal flood defence schemes	Consideration of the draft masterplan and the public's views on its contents will enable the Committee to formulate recommendations with respect of the final masterplan that will support the Council, business community and residents' aspirations to realise the sustainable economic regeneration of Rhyl and Denbighshire by linking the beach/promenade to the town. Delivering a prosperous and better connected Denbighshire	Tony Ward	By SCVCG July 2023 (in response to a Notice of Motion to County Council)

Future Issues

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	Update on the Draft Tourism signage Strategy	To provide an update on progress in regard to brown tourist direction sign projects within Denbighshire	Mike Jones/Peter McDermot	09/05/23

For future years

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Information/Consultation Reports

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INFORMATION (for circulation early autumn 2023 <i>once work has been undertaken</i>)	Community Impact Assessment on the communities of Rhewl and Llanynys	To present the findings of the community impact assessment undertaken following the closure of Ysgol Rhewl as agreed as part of the modernising education programme	Geraint Davies/James Curran	December 2020

Note for officers – Committee Report Deadlines

Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
1 st February 2024	18th January	14 th March	29th February	9 th May	25th April

28/11/23 KE