

Communities Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Plan

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Meeting	Lead Member(s)	Item (description / title)	Purpose of report	Expected Outcomes	Author	Date Entered/Updated
5 September	Cllr. Barry Mellor	1. Tree Maintenance & Management	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.	Thomas Hiles/Emlyn Jones/Huw Rees	By SCVCG July 2023
	Cllr. Barry Mellor	2. Highways Grids & Gullies Maintenance Programme	To examine the Council's Highways & Environmental Services' Grids, Gullies & Maintenance Programme	Ensuring that Service's maintenance programme is sufficient to ensure that the highways infrastructure is regularly monitored and maintained to prolong its lifespan, reduce the risk of flooding and support the delivery of the Council's corporate priorities and Corporate Plan	Paul Jackson	By SCVCG May 2024 (RhE)
	Cllr. Rhys Thomas	3. Single Access Route to Housing (SARTH)	To examine the impact of bringing the administration of the SARTH in-house from Flintshire	(i) To ensure that performance and quality is improving for customers, citizens and housing providers since the service was brought in-house in April 2023; and Support the delivery of the Council's corporate priority of a Denbighshire of	Ann Lloyd/Nigel Jones (invite Liz Grieve and Geoff Davies)	By SCVCG May 2024 (RhE)

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					quality housing that meets people's needs (ii) To ensure that performance and quality is improving for customers, citizens and housing providers since the service was brought in-house in April 2023; and (iii) Support the delivery of the Council's corporate priority of a Denbighshire of quality housing that meets people's needs		
	Cllr. Barry Mellor	4.	Denbighshire's Local Area Energy Plan	To consider the Local Energy Area Energy Plan prior to it being submitted to Cabinet for approval	To achieve an understanding of the LAEP, an evidence-based, holistic plan that outlines the scale of change and opportunity to decarbonise Denbighshire's local energy system [area wide]	Jane Hodgson/Helen Vaughan-Evans	11/06/24 requested by Lead Officer
24 October	Cllr. Barry Mellor	1	Public Conveniences Savings Proposal	To consider an updated report on the public conveniences savings proposals.	To provide observations / recommendations	Joanna Douglas / Hayle Jones / Paul Jackson	Requested by Lead Officer 24/04/24 KE
	Leader	2	Rhyl Regeneration Programme and Governance	To receive an update report on the delivery of 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	Tony Ward	Communities Scrutiny Committee March 2024 (KE)

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	Leader/Cllr. Barry Mellor	3	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)
		4	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	SC&VCG
12 December	Cllr. Barry Mellor (check if any WG reviews/legislation outstanding in relation to sustainable transport at present)	1	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
	Cllr. Rhys Thomas	2	Ex Council Housing	Examine the process for	To understand the various services involved in the disposal of ex council	Liz Grieve / Geoff Davies	Communities Scrutiny

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Future Issues

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<p>Second Homes and Short-term Holiday lets and their impact have been fully assessed)</p> <p>(timing tbc – once the full details of the WG proposals are known (incl. Licensing Scheme proposals)</p>	<p>To report the findings and conclusions of the 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”</p>	<p>(i) An assessment of the proposals’ anticipated impact on Denbighshire County Council, residents, businesses, and local economy</p> <p>(ii) 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</p>	<p>Emlyn Jones/Angela Loftus/Lara Griffiths/Paul Barnes/Gareth Roberts</p>	<p>June 2022 (rescheduled November 2022/ March 2023/ October 2023/May 2024 (by SCVCG))RhE</p>

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Information/Consultation Reports

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Note for officers – Committee Report Deadlines

Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline	Meeting	Deadline
5 th September	21st August	24 th October	10th October	12 th December	28th November

21/06/24 KE