

Neighbourhood Services Scrutiny Commission - Work Programme 2021 to 2022

Meeting date	Meeting items	Actions Arising	Progress
<p>1 July 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Overview of N/hoods Services Scrutiny portfolio • Covid 19 Recovery plans – brief update (John Leach) • Ward Meetings and Ward Funding reports (Lee Warner and John Leach) • Tree Strategy Review (Steve Doughty) 	<p>Overview item members agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report to future meeting with more info re: CRASBU (<i>Potential task group review, led by housing to be added to the work programme - tbc</i>). • Commission to receive reports to future meeting relating to VCSE work and strategy, and also on the Crowdfunding work and projects • Council 'Annual Library Plan' – officers to check if this needs to go to a full council meeting, as a legal requirement? • Officers to provide photos to comm members re: city centre deep clean that has taken place. • Commission to receive report to future meeting re: 'Litter and Fly-tipping' issues and councils work on this. <p>Ward meetings item members agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members raised issues re: need better publicity and attendance low numbers, and virtual meetings pros and cons. • Members praised Lee for an excellent report, and also praise to be passed onto the community engagement officers team, who have supported councillors. • Members requested further details on comm mobilisation fund and breakdown of council-led schemes (and city warden schemes). <p>Tree Strategy item members agreed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stewart to provide to members a version of the structure chart with the names of the officers included. • Members praised the trees strategy work, and the officers in the trees division team for their excellent work. 	
<p>9 September 2021</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive response report re: Scrutiny review report of findings into 'The Viability and Appropriateness of a Community Lottery' (Colin Sharpe and Exec lead Cllr Clair) 	<p>Executive response to community lottery review</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Commission note and accept the position adopted by the Executive which supported the scrutiny review findings and recommendations. <p>CRASBU item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members of the Commission thanked officers and Executive Members for all of their work and for bringing this report to scrutiny. • That Officers be requested to provide a further report on the work of CRASBU Team to the Commission within 12 months. 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CRASBU report (lead John / Daxa) • VCS & Engagement work report (lead Andrew / Miranda) • Crowdfunding Project (lead Andrew / Miranda) 	<p>Crowdfunding Project item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Officers be requested to bring back the item to the Commission in December with a supporting report that details accountability and contractual governance • The Director of Neighbourhood Services suggested that the conversation on CrowdFund should continue as this was the new innovative approach to raise funding. <p>VCS & Engagement Work item:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • That the item on Voluntary and Community Sector Engagement be deferred to a future meeting (members requested a fuller report on the VCSE strategy work) 	
21 October 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Litter & Fly-Tipping Strategy • Public Safety Team report • Gambling Policy 	<p>Litter & Fly-tipping Strategy item</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommends the possibility of a telephone number for fly tipping reporting be considered. • Recommended that the council considers extra bins and doing another campaign to raise awareness about litter and spitting outside shops that sell 'Indian Paan', as this seems to be an issue in some areas. • Cost of clearing litter and Fly-Tipping to be added into the Strategy. <p>Public Safety Team item</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Praise to the public safety team for their work, and members recommended that no further cuts be made in the budget to the public safety team. <p>Gambling Policy item</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recommended the Council to consider how a No Casino Policy would be implemented? and recommends that the Council participate in the Government call for evidence on the online gambling industry. • Members raised concerns about TV advertising impacts to gambling, can this be added to the policy. 	
9 December 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Domestic Abuse Strategy (Joint with Housing Scrutiny members invited) • Crowdfunding Leicester Project • Homelessness & Rough Sleepers Strategy report 		
6 January 2022	<p>Suggested items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knife Crime Strategy work 		

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Council annual budget reports• VCSE (vol comm sector engagement work)		
3 March 2022	Local Plan TBC		

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FORWARD PLAN / SUGGESTED ITEMS		
Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
KEY DECISIONS & NON-KEY DECISIONS	WATCHING BRIEF – members to consider relevant items to this commission, from the councils Corporate Plan of Key & Non-Key Decisions	Ongoing / watching brief
CONSULTATIONS	WATCHING BRIEF – members to consider relevant items to this commission from planned or live consultations to provide scrutiny comments and views	Ongoing / watching brief
COUNCIL BUDGET	WATCHING BRIEF – members to consider any budget impacts relevant to this commission, as necessary.	Ongoing / watching brief
<p>Possible items – forward planning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Domestic Violence Strategy update</i> • <i>Waste & Recycling Services</i> • <i>Pilot on Modern Day Slavery – results</i> • <i>Cyber Fraud – enhancing support outside city centre to n/hoods (community safety)</i> • <i>Community Gold project – update</i> • <i>Council Annual Budget 2021/22 reports relating to N/hoods Services portfolio - Capital and Revenue (Jan 2022)</i> • <i>Voluntary and Community Sector strategy / engagement and support</i> • <i>Afghan Resettlement Programme</i> • <i>CRASBU update</i> 		