

Housing Scrutiny Committee

Work Programme 2025-2026

Meeting Date	Item	Recommendations / Actions	Progress
10 July 2025	Income Collection Annual update Stock Condition – Property MOT Fire Safety PRS Strategy / Renters Reform Bill	- The upcoming Repairs Report to include detailed information on associated timescales and the number of outstanding damp and mould requests. Information on the average wait time for the 452 low-level fire risk repairs to be shared with the commission. -	Details included in the report presented at the meeting held on 26 August. Details shared with commission members.
26 August 2025	Housing Regulatory Inspection update	Provide regular dashboard reports on the HHRS inspection to the Commission. Present tenancy scrutiny engagement outcomes to the Commission in 6 months, including proposals to integrate the tenant scrutiny engagement with the Council's scrutiny function. Provide a future report on lessons learned from the complaints process and from other councils in similar situations.	

	Who gets Social Housing	Mutual Exchange scheme to be added to the work programme. Reshare the banding scheme and allocation policy with commission members.	Complete Details shared with commission members.
	Repairs & maintenance update (inc Damp & Mould)	The Council's approach to implementing Awaab's Law to be added to the work programme.	Complete
	Maintenance Charges	Report back to the Commission on how the Council benchmarks maintenance charges against other Local Authorities or Housing Providers. Conduct formal tenant engagement in major housing blocks and with the tenant scrutiny panel citywide to gather input on service needs and include details in the next report. Other maintenance charges to be brought to future meetings – Chris Burgin	
	Water Hygiene Report	-	-

11 November 2025	<p>Tenants Scrutiny Panel – Verbal update</p> <p>District Service performance (inc update on Tenant Engagement & Pop Up Housing Offices) to include Tenant Scrutiny Panel & Tenant Associations</p> <p>Housing Capital Programme update</p> <p>Homelessness Strategy & Operational performance update (inc Temporary accommodation & £45m update)</p>		Housing Allocations Policy Review
13 January 2026	<p><i>Items TBC:</i></p> <p><i>General Revenue Account and Capital Programme 2026/27</i></p> <p><i>Housing Support</i></p> <p><i>HRA Budget 26/27 proposals</i></p>		
17 March 2026	<p><i>Items TBC:</i></p> <p><i>Who Gets Social Housing (possible remove)</i></p> <p><i>Environmental Budget & Public Realm update</i></p> <p><i>Housing Building & Acquisition update</i></p>		
21 April 2026	<p><i>Items TBC:</i></p> <p><i>Housing Regulator update</i></p>		

	<p><i>Adaptations Strategy</i></p> <p><i>Repairs & Maintenance update (including all Housing Safety items)</i></p>		
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Forward plan items 2025-26:

Topic	Detail	Proposed Date
District Performance Report 2026	To include feedback regarding engagement with Community Engagement Officers and use of QR codes.	November 2026
District Heating		TBC
Mutual Exchange Swap Scheme	It was requested by commission members for a report to be brought on the Mutual Exchange Swap Scheme, including the incentives and barriers.	TBC
Awaab's Law implementation	Officers committed to bringing a report on the Council's approach to the implementation of Awaab's law.	TBC
Maintenance Charges	The Commission requested for reports to be brought on other maintenance charges, aside the Cleaning Charges.	TBC
Tenancy Scrutiny Engagement Outcomes	Members requested a report on the tenancy scrutiny engagement outcomes in 6 months, including proposals to integrate the tenancy scrutiny engagement with the Council's scrutiny function	13 Jan 2026