



## SCRUTINY COMMISSION

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To: Councillors Brookes, Hamilton, Ranson (Vice-Chair), Seaton (Chair), Parton, Popley and K. Harris (For attention)

All other members of the Council  
(For information)

You are requested to attend the meeting of the Scrutiny Commission to be held in Committee Room 2, Southfields Offices on Monday, 7th February 2022 at 6.00 pm for the following business.

Chief Executive

Southfields  
Loughborough

28th January 2022

### AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES
2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 5 - 10  
To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Commission held on 10th January 2022.
3. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY AND PERSONAL INTERESTS

4. DECLARATIONS OF THE PARTY WHIP

5. QUESTIONS UNDER SCRUTINY COMMITTEE PROCEDURES  
11.16

No questions were submitted.

6. PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY OF ANY SPECIFIC FINANCIAL  
MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED BY CABINET

There are no items of this nature on the Cabinet agenda for the Commission to consider.

7. CABINET ITEMS FOR PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY

The following items have been identified for pre-decision scrutiny from the informal Cabinet agenda for 10th February 2022:

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| (a) | Loughborough Town Deal<br>A Cabinet report of the Head of Planning and Regeneration to provide an overview of the Loughborough Town Deal and explains the Borough Council's role in its implementation. It seeks endorsement of the Council's continued support for the Town Deal.     | 11 - 29 |
| (b) | Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act: Policy and Review of Use in 2021<br>A Cabinet report of the Head of Strategic Support to approve a Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act (also known as RIPA, or the 2000 Act) Policy, and consider a summary of the use of RIPA during 2021. | 30 - 52 |

8. SCRUTINY COMMISSION PRE-DECISION SCRUTINY - LEADER  
RESPONSE 53 - 54

A report of the Leader setting out its responses to recommendations of the Committee on pre-decision scrutiny items.

9. PROGRESS WITH PANEL WORK 55 - 61

To consider updates on the work of scrutiny panels.

10. SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME 62 - 66

A report of the Head of Strategic Support enabling the Commission to review and agree the scrutiny work programme.

11. SCRUTINY COMMISSION WORK PROGRAMME 67 - 80

A report of the Head of Strategic Support setting out the list of forthcoming

Executive Key Decisions and the Group's Work Programme for consideration, in order to identify items for future scrutiny.

For information, further meetings of the Group are scheduled as follows:

7th March 2022

4th April 2022

3rd May 2022

## SCRUTINY QUESTIONS

What topics to choose?

- What difference will scrutiny make?
- Is this an area of concern – public/performance/risk register?
- Is this a corporate priority?
- Could scrutiny lead to improvements?
- What are the alternatives to pre-decision scrutiny?

Pre-decision scrutiny

- What is Cabinet being asked to agree?
- Why?
- How does this relate to the overall objective? Which is ...?
- What risks have been identified and how are they being addressed?
- What are the financial implications?
  
- What other options have been considered?
- Who has been consulted and what were the results?
- Will the decision Cabinet is being asked to take affect other policies, practices etc.?

Basic Questions

- Why are you/we doing this?
- Why are you/we doing it in this way?
- How do you/we know you are making a difference?
- How are priorities and targets set?
- How do you/we compare?
- What examples of good practice exist elsewhere?