

Scrutiny Panels

The CfGS 4 Principles:

- Provides a ‘critical friend’ challenge to the executive – policy development, policy review and performance management.
- ‘Enables’ the voice and concerns of the public and its community to be heard.
- Independent and Member Driven.
- “Drives improvement” for the Local Authority.

We welcome proposals for scrutiny from Members, whether on the appropriate committee or not; outside bodies; and Charnwood residents.

This will be a living document, so as new ideas and proposals arise, they may take priority over proposals that have been on the list for a longer period.

Only 4 panels (Formal or Express) can be held at any one time, so timings will need to take account of this. Informal meetings will be conducted without Democratic Service officer time and can therefore be run concurrently.

Chair	Type	Topic	Scope	Terms of Reference	Timing
Cllr Parton	Informal	Combatting Loneliness	Undertake desk based and interviewing research to understand what the level of loneliness is in the Borough currently and in what age groups. Identify activities already undertaken by the council to combat loneliness. What can be done to promote	Seek residents’ individual views through social media and press. Interview local charities and support groups. Interview Leicestershire County Council Adult Social Care	Paused until June 2023

			<p>these facilities with hard to reach groups?</p> <p>Identify specific actions that could be undertaken by CBC to combat loneliness that are not currently being undertaken. What actions/ discussions could we have with our partners to support this project?</p> <p>Investigation to identify how Parish Councils could become involved.</p>	representatives and CAMHs.	
Cllr Popley	Informal	Promoting Tourism in Charnwood	<p>Identify our key attractions to the area, both physical buildings and special events. What is CBC doing to promote and support these venues/ events? What else could be done? Do we have a unique selling point that we are not exploiting?</p> <p>How do people travel to the area? Where do they stay?</p> <p>What specific actions could</p>	<p>Approach and/ or interview peer councils to see what they do.</p> <p>Look at specific events around the country to see if they could be adapted for CBC, eg: Congleton Makers Market, or Stockton on Tees Comedy Festival.</p>	Paused until June 2023

			<p>CBC take to encourage more people to visit the area; spend more money on local businesses; and to stay for a longer period?</p> <p>Identify opportunities for tourism to recover post-pandemic.</p>		
To be confirmed	Formal	Budget Scrutiny	To closely review all aspects of the proposed budget for the following year and to monitor the performance of the budget from the previous year.		Autumn (Sept – Jan annually)

Express	Informal	Formal	Proposed