

## SCRUTINY COMMISSION – 9TH OCTOBER 2023

### Report of the Head of Governance and Human Resources

#### SCRUTINY PANELS

##### Purpose of the Report

To review the progression of scrutiny panels.

##### Actions Requested

1. To review the progression of scrutiny panels.
2. To approve any panel scoping documents submitted.

##### Reasons

1. To ensure timely and effective scrutiny of the matter/subject.
2. To enable panel work to commence.

##### Scrutiny Panels

At the last meeting of the Scrutiny Commission, it was agreed that two scrutiny panel ideas progressed: Housing Needs (formal) and Public Transport (express). The Democratic Services Manager is in the process of scoping out the scrutiny panels with the nominated Chairs and will report on progress at the meeting.

The Scrutiny Commission agreed to table the following scrutiny panels, and would reconsider the topics, following the receipt of more information, via member briefings or briefing notes:

- Utilising Council Assets (Garages) (see the Scrutiny Work Programme item)
- Dementia Friendly Council/Loneliness
- HMOs
- Tackling Substance Misuse
- Brownfield Sites

##### Budget Scrutiny Panel

At their meeting on 7th August 2023, the Scrutiny Commission approved a Budget Scrutiny Panel for 2023-24, with Councillor Mark Charles as Chair of the panel. Meetings of the Budget Scrutiny Panel have been scheduled on 24th October, 12th December and 3rd January.

Appendices:                      Appendix 1 – Scrutiny Panels

Background Papers: None

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