

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
Councillor Miah	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)
Cllr Ward	Formal	Waste Management and Recycling	To provide the Council with the technical information and necessary evidence base to aid future decision making on the waste management strategy.		November 2021 – April 2022

Cllr Brookes	Formal	Digitalisation and transformation of services	<p>This is a panel to determine how we go about inserting a personalised front end to our website, so that individual residents can log in, book; order; complain; compliment; and pay for services and can immediately see what their status is for all the services and payments they have with the council. This is to promote the 80:20 rule, that 80% of residents will be able to carry out all their transactions with the council through this route, while the remaining 20% who cannot will have better access to people and facilities who are freed up from dealing with residents who would be better served helping themselves.</p> <p>To identify options and costs. To identify economies of scale and potential savings.</p> <p>To create a singular digital account whereby residents can access all services from one log-in.</p>	<p>Outside bodies who already have this facility. Councils who have this facility. CRM (Customer Relationship Management) companies. Individuals with skills in this area. Our current key partners such as Capita and Serco to understand how they will integrate their services.</p>	January 2022
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Cllr Parton	Informal	Combatting Loneliness	<p>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 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>	<p>Seek residents' individual views through social media and press.</p> <p>Interview local charities and support groups. Interview Leicestershire County Council Adult Social Care representatives and CAMHs.</p>	To be confirmed
Cllr Popley	Informal	Promoting Tourism in Charnwood	Identify our key attractions to the area, both physical buildings and special events. What is CBC doing to promote and support these venues/	Approach and/ or interview peer councils to see what they do.	January 2022

			<p>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 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>	<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>	
TBC	Proposed	Crime, ASB and Youth Crime	<p>Identify specific actions that CBC can undertake to support our key partners in preventing and tackling crime.</p> <p>Review of ASB currently planned within Council.</p>	<p>Interview outside bodies such as the police, probation service, youth groups, and charities to understand their work and what prevents/hinders them from dealing with crime, ASB and youth</p>	January 2022

			Discussion required with officers to establish scope of review.	crime promptly in our Borough.	
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Express	Informal	Formal	Proposed