SCRUTINY COMMISSION – 5TH JULY 2022

Report of the Head of Strategic Support

ITEM 11 SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME

Purpose of the Report

To enable the Commission to review and agree the Scrutiny Work Programme. This includes reviewing the changes made by the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee and adding items to their work programme.

Actions Requested

- 1. To review the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Work Programme and make any amendments the Commission feel necessary.
- 2. To agree that the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Work Programme be updated in accordance with the decisions taken during consideration of this item and any further decisions taken during this meeting.

<u>Reasons</u>

- 1&2 To ensure timely and effective scrutiny of the matter/subject.
- 2. To ensure that the information contained within the Work Programme is up to date.

Policy Context

The Council's Corporate Plan 2020-2024 commits the Council to continue to improve customer service and deliver outstanding services.

Background

A change in the scrutiny structure was approved at full Council on 26th April 2021. This permitted the establishment of a Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee.

Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

The Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee were due to meet on 28th June 2022. The outcomes of that meeting can be found in the minutes which will be made available on the Council's website.

At the meeting of the Scrutiny Commission on 4th April 2022, a report was considered which highlighted the concerns of the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee in relation to the Key Performance Indicator KI 11 - % rent loss from void properties. Members of the Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee were concerned that this matter was not being given significant priority and wished for further detailed scrutiny on

the topic. The Scrutiny Commission agreed that in order to decide the most appropriate action, more information on void properties was required. The Commission requested a report to their next meeting, scheduled for 3rd May 2022, outlining the information they wanted to receive.

Since the last meeting of the Scrutiny Commission, in consultation with the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Scrutiny Commission, it was agreed that the report could be deferred due to a lack of officer resources. The Head of Landlord Service would now be responsible for providing the report to the Scrutiny Commission.

Any decisions taken by the Commission during the meeting will be reflected in an updated Work Programme.

Appendices: Appendix - Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee Work Programme

Background Papers: None

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