

Scrutiny Proposal Form

(This form should be completed by sponsoring Member(s), Officers and / or members of the public when proposing an item for Scrutiny).

Note: The matters detailed below have not yet received any detailed consideration. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee reserves the right to reject suggestions for scrutiny that fall outside the Borough Council's remit.

Proposer's name and designation	Councillor Salman Akbar	Date of referral	26 ^h January 2022
Proposed topic title	Speeding and safer roads		
Link to local priorities including the strategic purposes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Communities which are safe, well-maintained and green • Living independent, active and healthy lives 		
Background to the issue	<p>Speeding was raised as an issue by a number of Members as part of an Overview and Scrutiny training session in June 2021.</p> <p>Many Councillors within the Borough receive complaints regarding speeding, and are not always clear what action, if any, we can take in our roles. There are particular areas of the town when speeding is considered by residents to be a real concern and worry; residents expect Members to show some leadership on this issue, even if it may not fall under our direct responsibilities.</p>		
Key Objectives Please keep to SMART objectives (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Timely)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To establish the statistics regarding speeding within Redditch. • To establish which organisations are working to tackle speed awareness within the Borough. • Get briefings from local police and West Mercia Road Safety Team as to how roads policing works, what resources there are, and how Councillors can effectively escalate reports from residents about speeding. • Consult with the public regarding the impact of speeding within the community. • Look for examples from other Councils – where successful initiatives have been implemented. • Explore possibility of having Redditch Borough Council undertake some work to highlight National Road Victim Month (August) and World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims (November). • Explore action that could be taken to raise Members' awareness of the impact of speeding within the local community. 		
How long do you think is needed to complete this exercise? (Where possible please estimate the number of weeks, months and meetings required)	6 months minimum – this might take slightly longer if the review started prior to the local elections.		

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