

APPENDIX 1:

Overview and Scrutiny Training, Monday 6th June 2022

Outcome of the Exercises

During the Overview and Scrutiny training delivered on Monday 6th June 2022 Members participated in a number of group activities designed to enable them to suggest items for inclusion on the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme in 2022-2023. During these activities Members discussed the issues that had most frequently been raised with them over the last 12 months and their suitability for further scrutiny (new Members suggested the key issues that were raised whilst they were campaigning to be elected). This approach was adopted to enable Members to focus on issues of concern to the public, in line with best practice guidance for overview and scrutiny. Each of the issues raised by Members was considered alongside the Council's strategic purposes to enable Members to focus on matters in accordance with the Council's strategic vision.

All of the suggestions are listed below and have been listed in themes associated with the relevant strategic purpose. It should be noted that although the topics have been associated with a specific strategic purpose some of the topics do cut across multiple strategic purposes.

Communities which are safe, well-maintained and green

1. Fly-tipping
2. Speeding
3. Anti-social behaviour
4. Thefts
5. Parking and permits
6. Local environment (including landscaping and tree services)
7. Crime and the fear of crime

Living independent, active and healthy lifestyles

1. Cost of Living
2. Access to amenities in the Borough

Finding somewhere to live

1. Housing repairs and response times
2. Abandoned homes
3. Condition of the urban environment where Council properties are situated

Run and grow a successful business

1. Business redevelopment

Aspiration, work and financial independence

1. Town centre improvement works
2. Educational attainment and young people's aspirations

