COMMUNITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
30TH SEPTEMBER 2021

FORCHOMING ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD ON 17TH NOVEMBER 2021

In order to ensure effective Scrutiny, Members need to be clear as to the purpose of requesting specific information and the outcome they are hoping to achieve as a consequence of examining a report. Limiting the number of agenda items may help to keep meetings focused and easier to manage.

Proposed Agenda Item	Background	Reason for report What is Scrutiny being asked to do? *e.g. undertake a full review of the subject? Investigate different policy options? Be consulted on final proposals before decision making? Monitor outcomes /implementation?* *If the item is for information or for noting, can the information be provided in an alternative format i.e, via email?*
Revenue and Capital Budget Monitoring 2021/22	This is a standard quarterly budget report covering the revenue and capital budgets for the Community and Environment Departments which fall within the remit of the Community Scrutiny Committee	To enable the committee to undertake its monitoring role of the Community and Environment Department budgets which fall within its remit
Section 106 Agreement	As part of the planning application process the Council collects 'planning obligations' (s106 agreements) to mitigate the impact from a development and manages it's use through a 'draw down' and application process.	To provide an update on the monies held (and the purpose for which they are held as well as income and out goings in terms of the use of monies. To update committee on the planning obligation/s106 process.
Actif Digital Development	Actif – the Council's Sport & Leisure section – is leading the way in terms of digital development in the sector regarding the way in which we are enabling the population to access and participate in activity. This applies across the life course and across the health spectrum.	Following presentation to Communities DMT, it was deemed key to bring this sector-leading work to the attention of the Community Scrutiny Committee and to seek views on developments and implementation, particularly prior to seeking to publicise UK-wide.

Empty Properties in Carmarthenshire	To provide Scrutiny members with an update on empty properties within Carmarthenshire	For Scrutiny members to comment on the current position and the actions to continue to reduce empty properties in the County into the future
Annual Performance Report 2020/21 (Planning Services)	The Planning Performance Framework table, which was adopted in November 2014, reports the performance of local planning authorities (LPAs) against indictors and targets set by the WG. It categorises the LPA's performance against them into one of three performance bands of: Improve (red)/ Fair (amber)/Good (green).	To enable the committee to monitor the Planning Department's performance for 2020/21

When choosing a topic a Scrutiny Committee should consider whether:-

- **scrutiny could have an impact and add value**
- **the topic is of high local importance and reflects the concerns of local people**
- **the resources are available that would be required to conduct the review, in terms of resources and budget**
- **it avoids work duplication elsewhere**
- **the issue is one that the committee can realistically influence**
- **the issue is related to an area where the council, or one of its partners, is not performing well**
- **the issue is relevant to all or large parts of the local area**
- **the review would be in the council's interests.**

Topics are not suitable for scrutiny when:

- **the issue is already being addressed elsewhere and change is imminent**
- **the topic would be better addressed elsewhere (and will be referred there)**
- **scrutiny involvement would have limited or no impact upon outcomes**
- **the topic may be sub-judice or prejudicial to the council's interest**
- **the topic is too broad to make a review realistic**
- **new legislation or guidance relating to the topic is expected within the next year**

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- **the topic area is currently subject to inspection or has recently undergone substantial change.**

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