



**Report to Economic and Environmental  
Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development  
Committee  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017**

**Report of:** Policy and Improvement Officer

**Subject:** ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL WELLBEING SCRUTINY AND POLICY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE - WORK PROGRAMME REVIEW 2016/17, SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2016/17

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**Summary:**

This report provides the Committee with a summary of its activities over the municipal year for inclusion in the Scrutiny Annual Report 2016/17. The Committee is asked to consider and comment on this document (Appendix A).

The report also includes topics which it is recommended to carry forward for consideration as part of the 2017/18 Work Programme for this committee.

**Type of item:** The report author should tick the appropriate box

Reviewing of existing policy	
Informing the development of new policy	
Statutory consultation	
Performance / budget monitoring report	
Cabinet request for scrutiny	
Full Council request for scrutiny	
Community Assembly request for scrutiny	
Call-in of Cabinet decision	
Briefing paper for the Scrutiny Committee	
Other	<b>X</b>

**The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:**

- Scrutiny Annual Report 2016/17 - Consider and comment on the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee draft content - Appendix A
- Forward look on Work Programme 2017/18 - Agree topics in section 2.0 to be carried forward for consideration as part of the 2017-18 Work Programme for this committee; and provide any further comment

**Background Papers:** None  
**Category of Report:** OPEN

## Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee – work programme review 2016/17, scrutiny annual report 2016/17

### 1.0 Scrutiny Annual Report 2016/17

- Each Scrutiny Committee will produce a summary of their activity over the past municipal year, for inclusion in the Scrutiny Annual Report 2016/17. A draft of Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee activity for inclusion is attached - please see Appendix A.
- The Annual Report will also include an overview of the role of scrutiny within the authority and a summary of some of the activities and outcomes across the five Scrutiny Committees.
- The full list of topics considered by this Committee during 2016-17 is outlined below:

<b>Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee - List of topics 2016/17</b>	
Sheffield Bus Partnership (SBP) review	July 2016
Bus Services Bill – briefing	October 2016
Business Rates	October 2016
Inclusive Growth	October 2016
Protecting Sheffield from flooding	November 2016
Economic Landscape Task Group draft scope	November 2016
Call In of Cabinet Decision: China Economic and Civic Programme Update - special	December 2016
Implications for Sheffield of the vote to leave the European Union (commonly referred to as Brexit)	January 2017
Western Road First World War Memorial Trees - task and finish cross party working group (committee group)	January 2017
Waste Services Review: Consideration of Delivery Solutions for Waste Services - Call In of Cabinet Decision 18th January 2017	February 2017
Economic Landscape - evidence session 1	February 2017
Economic Landscape - evidence session 2	April 2017
Sheffield Retail Quarter – update briefing for information	April 2017
<i>TO BE SCHEDULED: Western Road First World War Memorial Trees task and finish cross party working group report and recommendations - special</i>	<i>(May 2017 – TBC)</i>

## 2.0 Forward look on work programme 2017/18

- Below outlines topics which it is recommended to carry forward for consideration as part of the Work Programme for the 2017/18 municipal year.

Possible Topic		Reasons for selecting topic
Growing Sustainably: A bold plan for a Sustainable Sheffield	The Council's response to the Green Commission – Cabinet decision 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 – consider how the plan will be progressed	Action plan expected September 2017
SRQ and China Economic and Civic Programme	Consider further updates on both SRQ and China Economic and Civic Programme	As requested at meetings 2016/17
Economic Landscape	Possible continuation of this as an agenda topic	To hear from a further range of stakeholders and make recommendation
Bus Services Bill	Consider how Combined Authority can make best use of the powers	An in depth follow up once on the statute books

## 3.0 The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

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  - Forward Look on Work Programme 2017/18** - Agree topics in **section 2.0** be carried forward for consideration as part of the 2017/18 Work Programme for this committee; and provide any further comment
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# Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee 2016/17

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**Chair:** Cllr Steve Wilson

**Deputy Chair:** Cllr Ian Auckland

**Remit of the Committee:** Economic and Business Sector Development, Regeneration and Physical Development, Enterprise and Skills, Sustainable Development and Climate Change, Culture, Leisure and Tourism, Transport

## Highlights from the work of the Committee in 2016/17 include:

**Sheffield Bus Partnership (SBP) review** – in 2015/16 as a result of an early review under Sheffield Bus Partnership, there were a number of local petitions regarding changes to bus services; the Committee took an opportunity early 2016/17 to hear again from SYPTE and the bus operators in regard performance and key actions, they heard that punctuality had improved, that Sheffield had been successful in securing funding to support introduction of more low emission vehicles.

**Protecting Sheffield from flooding** – the committee considered this consultation and heard from Sheffield Cabinet Member and flood and water management team alongside, Yorkshire Water, Moors for the Future Partnership, Peak District National Park and Sheffield & Rotherham Wildlife Trust, the Committee emphasised that officers work with partners to look at the possibility of establishing a formally constituted Partnership Group, comprising representatives from all relevant agencies and organisations, as well as members of the public, to look at all aspects of flood management, including natural flood management and whole catchment approach.

**Call In of Cabinet Decisions** - there were two call-ins of Cabinet Decisions in this municipal year by Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee, providing a check and balance to executive decisions by finding out for **Waste Services Review: Consideration of Delivery Solutions for Waste Services** for example, whether the market would respond to the opportunity to tender for waste collection services, implications and risks of transfer of staff for elements being brought back in house now and possible future insourcing; and for **China Economic and Civic Programme Update** whether the

## **APPENDIX A: Scrutiny Annual Report 2016-17 – E&EWB Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee Draft Content**

views of current library staff, interest and user groups had been sought, whether any consideration had been given to other possible funding streams, precisely what had been agreed between the Council and Guodong in June 2016, the nature of the Exclusivity Agreement, and whether this prevented the Council from engaging with other potential investors.

**Western Road First World War Memorial task and finish cross party working group** – this sub group of the Committee was set up in relation to the Western Road First World War Memorial to gather information and evidence to inform recommendations to be shared with Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee, to be presented back to Sheffield City Council, in regard the future of this living memorial.

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