



**Report to Economic and Environmental
Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development
Committee
Wednesday 14th March 2018**

Report of: Policy and Improvement Officer

Subject: Safer and Stronger Communities Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee - Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/18 draft content and Work Programme 2018/19

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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 2017/18. 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 2018/19 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	X

The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

- Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/18 - Consider and comment on the Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee draft content - Appendix A
- Forward look on Work Programme 2018/19 - Agree topics in section 2.0 to be carried forward for consideration as part of the 2018/19 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 2017/18, scrutiny annual report 2017/18

1.0 Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/18

- Each Scrutiny Committee will produce a summary of their activity over the past municipal year, for inclusion in the Scrutiny Annual Report 2017/18. 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 2017-18 is outlined below:

Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee - List of topics 2017/18	
Western Road First World War Memorial Scrutiny Task and Finish Working Group draft report and recommendations (Special meeting - 27th July)	July 2017
Western Road First World War Memorial - verbal Cabinet response to committee recommendations	September 2017
Response to public questions on Western Road War Memorial committee report and recommendations	September 2017
Changes to Environmental Maintenance Services (Call-In) (2nd November)	November 2017
Sheffield Retail Quarter – Heart of the City Phase 2 - update	November 2017
Protecting Sheffield from flooding - Programme Update	November 2017
Retaining World Snooker Championships in Sheffield	November 2017
China Economic and Civic Programme Update	December 2017
Small Businesses in Sheffield	December 2017
Green City Strategy, including Transport Vision and Clean Air Strategy	January 2018
For Information - Western Road First World War Memorial Committee Recommendations - formal response	January 2018
Follow up to implications for Sheffield of vote to leave the European Union (Brexit)	March 2018
Disposal of Property at Mount Pleasant Sharrow Lane Sheffield (Call-In of ICM)	March 2018
Scrutiny Annual Report 2017-18 Draft Content & Work Programme 2018-19	March 2018

2.0 Forward look on work programme 2018/19

- 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
12 month implementation review of Changes to Environmental Maintenance Services	The Committee requested this on 2nd November 2017 following Call-In of Leader's decision of 10th October 2017	Follow up to Call-In
Heart of the City Phase 2	Update on key decisions and announcements - timeline for 2018/19	Follow up to item November 2017
Bus Services Bill – part 2; and Sheffield Bus Partnership	How Combined Authority can make best use of the powers and an update on Sheffield Bus Partnership	In depth follow up
Green City Strategy, Clean Air Strategy, Sheffield Transport Vision, Parking Strategy	To receive updates on implementation and consider these strategies as they develop in the coming year	Follow up to consideration of these in the round in January 2017

3.0 The Scrutiny Committee is being asked to:

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Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee 2017/18

Chair: Cllr Denise Fox

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 2017/18 include:

City Centre Developments – fulfilling their Economic, Regeneration, Culture, Leisure and Tourism remit the Committee considered progress updates on key city centre developments, including Heart of the City Phase 2, retaining World Snooker Championship, China Economic and Civic Programme.

Small Business Support – the committee were pleased to hear all that is provided to support small business in the city, and encourage a conversation on a policy direction that includes changing how business view the Council and the practical measures that can be put in place for example, in regard business rate relief assistance.

Green City Strategy, Transport Vision, Clean Air Strategy- the committee work programme included a look at the programme and action plan for Sheffield sustainability strategy, the response to Sheffield Green Commission. The Committee heard that this will be fulfilled by a Green City Strategy, a Clean Air Strategy and the developing Sheffield Transport Vision, the Committee had the opportunity to undertake policy development and provide comment on the proposed Green City Strategy, along with comment on the consultation version of Sheffield Transport Vision, the agreed Clean Air strategy and Parking Strategy. The Committee agreed to consider these further as they develop and are implemented in the coming year.

Call In of Cabinet Decisions - there were two call-ins of Cabinet Decisions in 2017/18 municipal year by Economic and Environmental Wellbeing Scrutiny and Policy Development Committee, providing a check and balance to executive decisions by finding out for **Changes to Environmental Maintenance Services** that the environmental and financial impacts had been

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appropriately considered; and for **Disposal of Property at Mount Pleasant Sharrow Lane Sheffield** a check that the decision had been based on appropriate process.

Western Road First World War Memorial – over the year Cabinet provided verbal and formal written response to the Committee’s recommendations in relation to the Western Road First World War Memorial, the Committee’s recommendations led to the commission of further investigations, and the outcome of these was reported back to the Committee.

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