

Scrutiny Board

1 November 2022

Time 6.00 pm **Public Meeting?** YES **Type of meeting** Scrutiny

Venue Council Chamber - Civic Centre, St Peter's Square, Wolverhampton WV1 1SH

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Agenda

Part 1 – items open to the press and public

Item No. *Title*

MEETING BUSINESS ITEMS

- 1 **Apologies for absence**
[To receive any apologies for absence].
- 2 **Declarations of interest**
[To receive any declarations of interest].

DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 3 **Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme** (Pages 3 - 16)
[To consider the Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme, the report to be received by Cabinet on Wednesday, 26 October 2022 is attached].

[Please note: Should the decision taken by Cabinet on Wednesday, 26 October 2022 be Called-in, then this item will become a Call-in item and proceeded with as detailed in the Council's Constitution].
- 4 **City Centre Regeneration**
[To receive a presentation on the evening on City Centre Regeneration].
- 5 **Visitor Experience: Strategy, Plan and Budget** (Pages 17 - 38)
[To receive a presentation on Visitor Experience: Strategy, Plan and Budget].
- 6 **Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee: Progress on Action Plan** (Pages 39 - 52)
[To receive a briefing note and associated appendix, reporting on progress on the Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee Action Plan].
- 7 **Scrutiny Work programme** (Pages 53 - 82)
[To consider the Scrutiny Work Programme].

CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL	Cabinet 26 October 2022
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Report title	Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme	
Decision Designation	AMBER	
Cabinet member with lead responsibility	Cllr Stephen Simkins Deputy Leader: Inclusive City Economy	
Key decision	Yes	
In forward plan	No	
Wards affected	All Wards	
Accountable Director	Richard Lawrence, Director of Regeneration	
Originating service	Planning	
Accountable employee	Michele Ross	Lead Planning Manager
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Report has been considered by	Regeneration Leadership Team	9 October 2022
	Strategic Executive Board	9 October 2022

Recommendations for decision:

The Cabinet is recommended to:

1. Approve the Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme (2022-2025) attached as Appendix 1 to this report, upon formal confirmation that the Draft Black Country Plan is no longer proceeding.
2. Request a further report to approve Issues and Preferred Options consultation on a Wolverhampton Local Plan covering the period to 2040, which will build on work already completed through the Draft Black Country Plan.

Recommendation for noting:

The Cabinet is asked to note:

1. The Black Country Plan preparation process has now ceased following the announcement of the intended withdrawal of Dudley Council.

1.0 Purpose

- 1.1 On 6 October 2022, the Leader of Dudley Council announced via a press statement that he would be recommending to his Cabinet that the Council withdraw from the Black Country Plan (BCP) preparation process.
- 1.2 The BCP would have become the key statutory Local Plan document for Wolverhampton, replacing the out-of-date Black Country Core Strategy (2011) and elements of Wolverhampton specific Area Action Plans. The Government requires all local authorities to have an up-to-date Local Plan by 2023. Not having an up-to-date local plan will undermine the Council's ability to prevent unwanted development from taking place and put at risk funding to support the delivery of key regeneration projects. It is therefore essential that the Council proceeds with the preparation of its own Local Plan in the most timely manner to address the vacuum caused by the fragmentation and cessation of the BCP.
- 1.3 This report seeks approval to prepare a new Local Plan for Wolverhampton as quickly as possible, based on the principle of taking forward the parts of the Draft Black Country Plan relating to Wolverhampton and building on the evidence and consultation responses made to date. The Plan preparation timetable is set out in a new Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme (2022-2025).

2.0 Background

- 2.1 Government requires all Councils to have an up-to-date Local Plan. If Plans are not progressing, or severely delayed, Government has powers to intervene by directly appointing Government officials, at a cost to the Council, to prepare a Plan for an area, taking away responsibility from the local authority. Government has used its intervention powers in South Essex and Wirral where the Councils were unwilling to progress Plans which involved the development of green belt sites to meet their needs.
- 2.2 These requirements were set out in detail in the policy paper "Planning for the Future" [Title \(\[publishing.service.gov.uk\]\(https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk\)\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk) in March 2020. This said: "...

We will introduce new changes to ensure that land, sites and homes come forward on time and incentivise authorities to deliver more homes. This includes:

Setting a deadline for all local authorities to have an up-to-date local plan – the government will require all local planning authorities to have up-to-date local plans by December 2023. The government will prepare to intervene where local authorities fail to meet the deadline in accordance with the existing statutory powers, considering appropriate action on a case by case basis. "

- 2.3 Plans are also essential to set a realistic housing target for an area so that it can demonstrate it has a five year housing land supply. If a five year housing land supply cannot be demonstrated, Government requires that planning applications and appeal

decisions should be based predominantly on national planning policies with significantly less weight given to locally produced planning policies and priorities. This means it will be much more difficult for the Council to protect sites and features which make important contributions to local character and distinctiveness, and employment premises from being redeveloped - putting local jobs at risk. Green belt would retain protection but to a lesser degree if a five year supply cannot be demonstrated.

- 2.4 Wolverhampton currently has a five year housing land supply but with a very limited margin, and in future years, as urban housing sites are built-out, it is likely that the City will not have a five year housing land supply. The only way the Council can guarantee a five year housing land supply in the long term is by adopting a Local Plan based on a deliverable housing target made up of a pipeline of sites within the City, and maximising opportunities in neighbouring areas through the Duty to Cooperate . Having an up to date Plan is also an important criteria for Councils to bid for money from Government for new infrastructure in a number of funding programmes. Delaying the preparation of the Local Plan will therefore put at risk funding to remediate brownfield sites and critical infrastructure.
- 2.5 The Black Country Core Strategy (BCCS), adopted in 2011, is the key Local Plan document for the City and provides the overarching strategic planning and regeneration document covering the Black Country Authorities (BCA) of Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton. The BCCS covers the period to 2026 and contains a commitment to a review in 2016. The review of the BCCS began with production of key evidence in 2016, followed by consultation on an Issues and Options Report in summer 2017.
- 2.6 On 17 October 2018, Cabinet received a report summarising key issues raised during the consultation and agreed to widen the scope of the review to include detailed site allocations and to change the name of the document to the Black Country Plan (BCP). The BCP was intended to identify where new employment and housing development would be located and where investment for new infrastructure such as transport, schools and health facilities would be made and to set out policies to guide development. The BCP would have become the key Local Plan document for Wolverhampton, replacing the out-of-date Black Country Core Strategy (2011) and elements of Wolverhampton specific Area Action Plans.
- 2.7 On 7 July 2021, Cabinet approved consultation on the Draft Black Country Plan (Regulation 18) during summer 2021. The Draft Plan included proposed site allocations for housing and employment development and attracted a large number of consultation responses. On 6 July 2022, Cabinet approved public consultation on Additional Housing Sites in Walsall (Regulation 18) during summer 2022.
- 2.8 Work has been progressing on the preparation of the next stage of the Plan (Regulation 19), taking into account the issues raised in the representations submitted to the 2021 consultation, subsequent evidence studies and the need to conform to planning legislation and Government guidance. This Plan was programmed for consideration by Cabinet in October 2022 with formal public consultation in November / December.

However, on 6 October 2022, the Leader of Dudley Council announced that he would be recommending to his Cabinet that the Council withdraw from the Black Country Plan. The principal reason being that the previously agreed and consistently applied evidence-based approach used to select sites for inclusion in the Plan across the whole of the Black Country could not be supported by Dudley Council. Dudley Council have not suggested an alternative approach towards the site assessments which is capable of withstanding legal challenge and so it is not possible to progress the Black Country Plan on a joint basis.

3.0 Proposed Way Forward

3.1 A large amount of work has been undertaken and resources expended over an extended period of time to progress the BCP to an advanced stage. For the reasons set out above, there is an urgent need for Wolverhampton to prepare and adopt a new Local Plan as soon as possible.

3.2 Each of the remaining authorities, Walsall, Sandwell and Wolverhampton have agreed that the best route forward following the sudden withdrawal of Dudley is to produce their own plans, whilst at the same time working closely together and meeting the duty to co-operate. Therefore, it is recommended that a new Local Plan is prepared for Wolverhampton which takes forward the parts of the Draft Black Country Plan which relate to Wolverhampton and builds on the existing evidence base and consultation responses made to date.

3.3 The above approach will make the most effective use of the work undertaken to date, particularly the “call for sites” and site assessment work, and the extensive and detailed consultation responses received on the Draft Black Country Plan during 2021. This approach has also been endorsed via external legal advice. The details of this approach will be set out in a report to 14 December Cabinet, which will be asked to approve public consultation on an Issue and Preferred Options Report. This will allow adoption of the Wolverhampton Local Plan to take place by early 2025. Given the later adoption date, the Plan period will need to be extended from 2039 to 2040.

3.4 The end to joint work on the BCP and the proposed continuation of this work in Wolverhampton through preparation of a Wolverhampton Local Plan requires an immediate update to the Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme (LDS), which covers the period 2022-2025. The proposed new LDS is attached as Appendix 1 to this report. The LDS sets out the following timetable for preparation of the Wolverhampton Local Plan:

- Issues and Preferred Options Consultation (Regulation 18): Dec 2022 – Feb 2023
- Publication Consultation (Regulation 19): Aug – Sept 2023
- Submission (Regulation 20): End 2023
- Examination: End 2023 – End 2024
- Adoption: Early 2025

3.3 This programme will result in the adoption of the Plan by 2025, with the Regulation 19 (Publication) stage in the Summer of 2023. This is some nine months behind the BCP programme.

4.0 Evaluation of Alternative Options

4.1 The alternative option would be to pause the preparation of the Local Plan, potentially waiting for reforms to the planning system out in in the 2021 Planning White Paper. The programme and scope of these reforms is unclear, and could mean that the City would not have an up-to-date Local Plan in place for a number of years. The clear advice from the relevant Government department within the last few days is that this approach should not be taken and would put the authority at risk of intervention.

4.2 As set out above, failure to have a Local Plan that is based on sound evidence could result in the City having insufficient land to meet the need for housing, employment and other land uses that are necessary to support the economic and environmental well-being of the area. It could also result in development taking place in the wrong locations, leading to an inefficient use of resources, traffic congestion and other harm. Having an up-to-date Local Plan in place is also essential to defend the Council's position at planning appeals. Lack of an up-to-date Plan risks intervention from central government and may compromise our ability to make decisions locally.

5.0 Reasons for decisions

5.1 It is important that Wolverhampton is covered by an up-to-date Local Plan and Local Development Scheme, in order to meet statutory requirements and to support regeneration and investment in the City and protect areas of value from development. Cabinet approval is required for each consultation stage of the Local Plan preparation process.

6.0 Financial implications

6.1 The costs of preparing the Black Country Plan (BCP) have been shared on an equal basis between the four Black Country Local Authorities (BCLAs) with Sandwell taking the lead role in procurement. Costs incurred by Wolverhampton during 2021-2022 totalled £77,672, which was met from Planning revenue budgets for 2021-2022 and planning grant.

6.2 Following the end of work on the BCP, further work is needed to agree a final financial settlement with the BCLAs. However, the majority of BCP work programmed for 2022-23 has either been completed or almost completed. On this basis an indicative cost breakdown is provided in the table below:

2022-2023	2023-2024	2024-2025	Total
£000	£000	£000	£000

Black Country Plan cost	50	0	0	50
Wolverhampton Local Plan cost	50	120	120	290
Total	100	120	120	340

- 6.3 The anticipated budget for the preparation of a Wolverhampton only Local Plan is some £340,000 for the period 2022-25. This figure is an estimate and will be subject to change having regard to any issues raised during the consultation stages of the Plan preparation programme. This cost is significantly in excess of the contribution towards the completion of the BCP. The additional cost to the Council being at least £100,000. The Council will be carefully looking at what options there may be to recover these wasted costs.
- 6.4 It is estimated that costs for 2022-2025 can be met through Planning revenue budgets including approved budgets for 2022-2023 and future budgets subject to budgetary approval processes. The recurrent budget for this area is circa £70,000, however, where the forecast suggests costs will be in excess of this budget, planning grant is available to fund the additional costs.

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7.0 Legal implications

- 7.1 As set out in the body of the report, the Council is required to have an up-to-date Local Plan. The legal implications are detailed in the report and related appendix. Subject to approval of the recommendations, the Wolverhampton Local Plan will form part of the adopted Local Plan for the City.

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8.0 Equalities implications

- 8.1 Preparation of the Wolverhampton Local Plan will include the carrying out of an integrated Sustainability Appraisal at each formal stage, and at later stages an Equality Impact Assessment. The Plan will seek to ensure that sufficient homes, shops and employment, social and recreational facilities are planned and provided for in that time to meet the needs of the communities in the City. This will include meeting the needs of children and young people by seeking to provide sufficient facilities for them as well as having a positive effect for future generations.

9.0 All other implications

- 9.1 A Sustainability Appraisal (SA) is being carried out throughout the plan preparation process. SA is a process for evaluating the environmental consequences of proposed policies and proposals to ensure sustainability issues are fully integrated and addressed at the earliest appropriate stage. The overall aim of the SA process is to inform and influence the development of the Plan and maximise its sustainability value.
- 9.2 There are currently sufficient staff resources in the Planning team to progress the Wolverhampton Local Plan to timetable. Delivery of the timetable will be dependent upon the retention of key staff and maintenance of staffing resource up to adoption.

10.0 Schedule of background papers

- 10.1 Black Country Core Strategy 2006-26, adopted February 2011
- 10.2 Cabinet – 27 June 2017 ‘Black Country Core Strategy Review – Issues and Options Report’
- 10.3 Cabinet – 17 October 2018 ‘Progress on Black Country Core Strategy Review’
- 10.4 Cabinet – 7 July 2021 ‘Black Country Plan Draft for Consultation’
- 10.5 Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme 2022-25 (Local Development Scheme | City Of Wolverhampton Council)
- 10.6 Cabinet – 6 July 2022 [‘Draft Black Country Plan – Additional Housing Sites in Walsall’](#)

11.0 Appendices

- 11.1 Appendix 1: Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme (2022-2025) December 2022

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Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme 2022-2025

October 2022

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WOLVERHAMPTON
COUNCIL**

1. Introduction

- 1.1 This Local Development Scheme (LDS) has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of The Planning and Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 (as amended) and sets out:
- The Local Development Documents (LDDs) which are to be Development Plan Documents (DPDs);
 - The subject matter and geographical area to which each DPD is to relate;
 - Which DPDs are to be prepared jointly with one or more other local planning authorities;
 - The timetable for the preparation and revision of the DPDs
- 1.2 The LDS sets out the timetable for the preparation or revision of any LDDs covering the Wolverhampton area for the period 2022-2025, and supersedes all previous versions of the Wolverhampton LDS.

2. Wolverhampton Development Plan Documents

- 2.1 The Local Development Documents covering the City of Wolverhampton Council local authority area which are to be defined as Development Plan Documents through this LDS are:
- Wolverhampton Unitary Development Plan – adopted 2006 (saved policies)
 - Black Country Core Strategy – adopted 2011
 - Wolverhampton Local Plan (to be prepared to replace the Black Country Core Strategy)
 - Bilston Corridor Area Action Plan – adopted 2014
 - Stafford Road Corridor Area Action Plan – adopted 2014
 - Wolverhampton City Centre Area Action Plan – adopted 2016
- 2.2 The Wolverhampton Unitary Development Plan was the single plan covering the Wolverhampton area when it was adopted in 2006. It included both strategic and local policies and all allocations and designations.
- 2.3 The Black Country Core Strategy is a strategic plan prepared jointly by the Black Country authorities (Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton) to cover the Black Country area (Dudley, Sandwell, Walsall and Wolverhampton) for the period 2006-2026. The Core Strategy addresses strategic priorities for the Black Country, covers all subject areas at a strategic level and indicates broad locations for development on a key diagram. The Core Strategy replaced various policies and allocations in the Wolverhampton Unitary Development Plan when it was adopted in 2011.
- 2.4 The three Area Action Plans were prepared to set out local policies, allocations and designations for the three key regeneration areas identified in the Black Country Core Strategy. These Area Action Plans replaced various policies and

allocations in the Wolverhampton Unitary Development Plan when they were adopted in 2014 / 2016.

3. Timetable for Preparation and Revision of Wolverhampton Development Plan Documents

- 3.1 The NPPF requires all local planning authorities to complete a review of DPDs which have been adopted for five or more years and to decide either:
- that their policies do not need revising and publish their reasons for this decision; and/ or
 - that one or more policies do need revising, and update their LDS to set out the timetable for this revision.
- 3.2 This LDS fulfils the requirements of the NPPF in this regard, as set out below:

DPD	Years since adoption	Need for revision during 2022-25?	Reasons for decision
Wolverhampton UDP (saved policies)	16	No	All parts of the UDP which currently required updating have been replaced through subsequent adoption of the Black Country Core Strategy and Area Action Plans.
Black Country Core Strategy (BCCS)	11	Yes	A review of the BCCS which took place in 2017 confirmed the need for updating. This update was progressed by the four Black Country Councils during 2017-22 in the form of the Black Country Plan (BCP) review. This included Issues and Options consultation in 2017 and Regulation 18 Draft Plan consultations in 2021 and 2022. In autumn 2022 a decision was taken by the Black Country authorities not to continue the BCP. For Wolverhampton, the review and updating of the BCCS will be taken forward through the Wolverhampton Local Plan with a preparation timetable included in this LDS.
Bilston Corridor Area Action Plan	Eight	No	Preparation of the Wolverhampton Local Plan will review and replace any policies and allocations which require revising.
Stafford Road	Eight	No	Preparation of the Wolverhampton

Corridor Area Action Plan			Local Plan will review and replace any policies and allocations which require revising.
Wolverhampton City Centre Area Action Plan	Six	Yes	The BCP did not include allocations for that part of the Wolverhampton City Centre AAP area which falls within the defined Strategic Centre. Therefore, a review of this AAP will be required based on a new boundary covering the Strategic Centre only. The timetable for the review is set out in this LDS.

3.3 City of Wolverhampton Council is currently working on preparation of a Wolverhampton Local Plan (WLP) which will build on the work undertaken to date on the Black Country Plan review and ultimately replace the Black Country Core Strategy for Wolverhampton, and housing and employment site allocations included in the Bilston Corridor AAP, Stafford Road Corridor AAP and parts of the City Centre AAP which do not fall within the Strategic Centre boundary. The subject matter scope of the new Plan will therefore be wider than the existing BCCS, including new site allocations and a review of existing allocations. The new Plan will include all of the strategic policies for Wolverhampton, as defined in the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF). The Issues and Preferred Options consultation will seek views on the preparation of a WSP, building on work undertaken for the BCP and substantially taking forward the vision, spatial strategy, policies and site allocations of the Regulation 18 Draft Black Country Plan (BCP), with a number of proposed amendments in response to issues raised during the Draft BCP consultation and new evidence.

3.4 The timetable for the review is set out below (including those stages of the Black Country Plan review which remain relevant to preparation of the WSP):

Wolverhampton Local Plan Preparation Timetable

Stage	Timescale
Black Country Plan Issues and Options Consultation (Regulation 18)	July – September 2017
Draft Black Country Plan Consultation (Regulation 18)	August – October 2021
Wolverhampton Local Plan Issues and Preferred Options Consultation (Regulation 18)	December 2022 – February 2023
Wolverhampton Local Plan Publication Consultation (Regulation 19)	August - September 2023
Submission	End 2023
Examination	End 2023 - End 2024
Adoption	Early 2025

- 3.5 A review of the existing Wolverhampton City Centre Area Action Plan is required, to provide up-to-date development allocations and policies for that part of the AAP area which is not covered in detail by the emerging Wolverhampton Local Plan. The timetable for the review is set out below:

Wolverhampton City Centre Area Action Plan Review Timetable

Stage	Timescale
Issues and Options Consultation (Regulation 18)	Autumn 2023
Draft Plan Consultation (Regulation 18)	Summer 2024
Publication Consultation (Regulation 19)	Early 2025
Submission	Summer 2025
Examination	Autumn 2025 – Summer 2026
Adoption	Autumn 2026

- 3.6 No other DPDs are currently programmed for review or preparation during 2022-2025.

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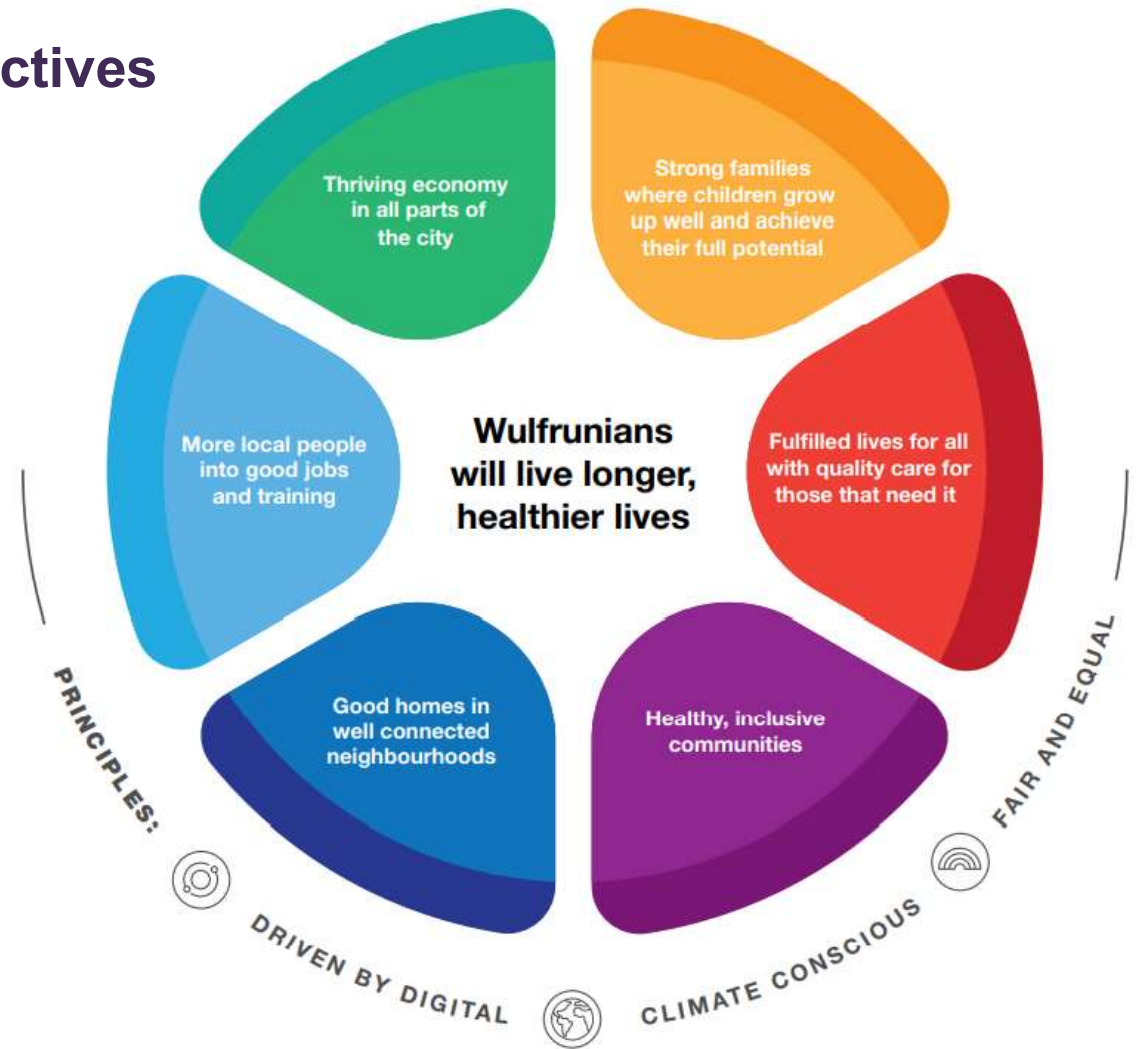
Visitor Experience: strategy, plan and budget

Context

Connecting to our strategic objectives

OUR CITY, OUR PLAN

Working together to be a city of opportunity, a city for everyone and deliver our contribution to Vision 2030



- Strong connection to 'thriving economy' and 'good jobs' but supports all strands

Already an Events City...

- 1,000+ events a year
- 30,000 football visitors every fortnight
- 300,000 per year to the Grand Theatre

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Estimated 300,000 to new Civic Halls

120,000 visitors to the Racecourse a year

- Admired civic / community events programme (IPW)
- Range of local events delivered by partners (eg BIDs) and event companies



Key introductory points...

- Since February this year, City Events and Arts/Culture are part of new Visitor Experience service
 - Greater programming, priorities and resources alignment to achieve city aims:
- 1. Changing perceptions of the city** – by enhancing its profile and reputation nationally and internationally
 - 2. Increasing the social benefit and value** – by creating opportunities for employment and skills development
 - 3. Increasing the economic benefit and return** – by generating significant new direct and indirect spend
- Working towards city-wide rather than council-only approach
 - Right balance of free-to-access and paid-for commercial activities – council won't always benefit financially but city residents and businesses should

Commonwealth Games Cycling Time Trial, August 2022

- Start and finish line hosted in West Park, race across the city.
- Contribution of £260,000 made by the Council to win the event. 20,000 attended across the event and also lined the streets of the city, representing an indirect economic benefit of £665,000.
- Global TV coverage, showcasing city including impressive architecture.



Fireworks Spectacular, November 2021

- Hosted in partnership with Dunstall Racecourse
- Budget of £0 v's income of £11,300
- 15,000 attended the event, representing an indirect economic benefit of £500,000.
- 2022 event – strong pre-sales
- Income generating event, supporting growth areas within the programme.



Grand Slam of Darts, November 2021

- Hosted at Aldersley
- Budget of £7,320 v's income of £70,000
- 12,500 attended the event, representing an indirect economic benefit of £420,000. Additionally, a large production crew stayed in the city for 2 weeks at an estimated cost of £140,000.
- Global TV coverage on Sky Sports.
- 2022 sales best ever
- Income generating event, supporting growth areas within the programme.



British Art Show, January to April 2022

- Exhibition in the Gallery, University Art School, public realm and 9 other venues across city.
- Supported by £230,000 of Arts Council grant.
- 22,000 visitors attended the main show, representing an indirect economic benefit of £730,000
- A further estimated 40,000 experienced the wider installations across the city
- Supported almost 100 volunteers and almost 3,000 school children visits.
- Visitors numbers likely to have been higher if no covid aftermath



Christmas lights switch on, December 2021

- Hosted in Queen Square, Bilston, Wednesfield, Tettenhall and Bantock.
- Budget of £5,370 v's cost of £41,500.
- 24,000 attended the events, representing an indirect economic benefit of £800,000.
- Free events accessible to all.
- Challenging environment for sponsorship / commercial opportunities.
- Cost covered by other commercial income.
- Vital to businesses in pre-Christmas period.



Already an events city: the Council's contribution

- Council makes a significant contribution to a city-wide programme through investment in arts, culture and city events:

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5
venues*
and 76
outdoor
events

273K
visitors
in
21/22

£650K
in direct
economic
benefit

£9m
in in-
direct
economic
benefit**

*Including WVActive Aldersley

**Figures identified for the West Midlands in the 2015 Great Britain Day Visits Survey

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Plans

Plans to build on current position...

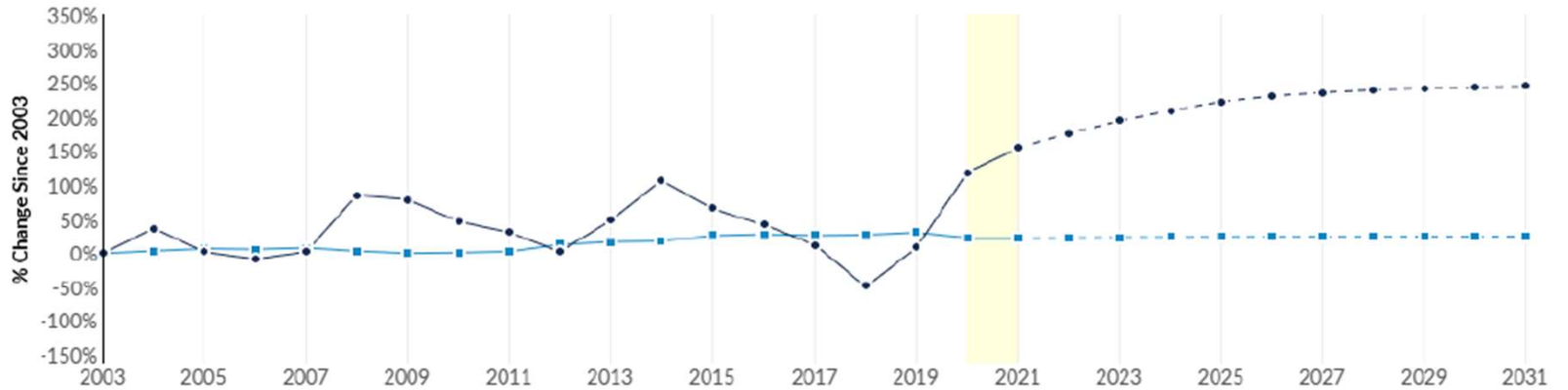
1. Growth sector/market for the City which can contribute to thriving economy/good jobs
 2. Challenges to mitigate with post pandemic market suffering from increased costs, and the cost-of-living crisis affecting buyer behaviour.
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- IPW commissioned to review and inform five-year strategy. The brief;
- ‘Our City, Our Plan’ Outlines the City’s Ambition to be an Event City as a basis.
 - Develop an underlying business case and planning process for a five-year event strategy and plan.
 - For the City, not just the Council.

Industry summary for creative cluster in city

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<p>618</p> <p>Jobs (2021)</p> <p>53% below National average</p>	<p>+16.4%</p> <p>% Change (2020-2021)</p> <p>Nation: +0.1%</p>	<p>£23,923</p> <p>Avg. Wages Per Job (2021)</p> <p>Nation: £39,953</p>
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Regional Trends



Region	2020 Jobs	2021 Jobs	Change	% Change
● Region	531	618	87	16.4%
■ United Kingdom	385,772	386,073	301	0.1%

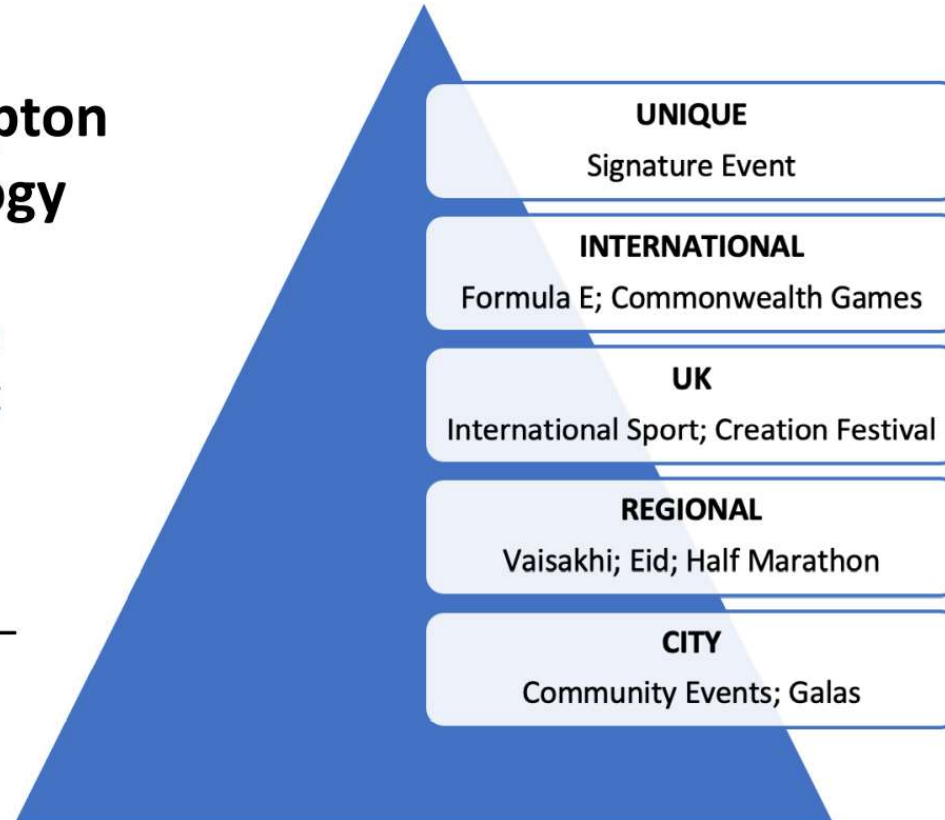
**Events/
culture also
about wider
city offer/
context...**



Wolverhampton Events Ecology

Where does the
city currently sit
in these strata?

Where does it
want to be in 5 –
10 years?



Initial IPW recommendations...

1. Create a shared vision
2. Create a performance framework
3. Create city-wide governance structures
4. Better use of market intelligence and data
5. Generate more private sector investment in high quality events
6. Find the balance between accessible public events and commercial events that generate income for reinvestment in the programme

Plans for next 12 months

- New activity;
 - Support and funding for annual Eid event
 - Support and funding for annual city Pride event
 - Support for African-Caribbean city event
 - Building on the legacy of Commonwealth Games
 - Build on British Art Show legacy
 - Develop and deliver an improved digital city visitor offer – Visit Wolverhampton
 - Maximise the AEG relationship
 - Implement the five-year event strategy and IPW recommendations
- Opportunities;
 - Utilise grant funding to deliver our arts/culture and events objectives.

Budget

2021/2022 Budget in context...

Item	Budget	Outturn	Key points for information
Employee costs	£470,440	£475,374	
Darts	£7,320	(£69,667)	Surplus generated
Snooker	£0	£9,416	Investment to secure new major event for the city
Armed Forces	£8,000	£7,810	
Bonfire	£0	(£11,246)	Surplus generated
Christmas	£5,370	£41,500	Funding now adjusted to meet current need
Creation Day	£0	£23,270	Marketing support for future event
Diwali	£0	£11,722	Funding now adjusted to meet current need
Parks Events Income	(£14,130)	(£26,320)	Surplus generated
Slade Rooms	(30,310)	£46,173	Business case impacted by Covid-19
Relight Festival	£0	£157,323	Business case impacted by Covid-19
Non-specific events	£10,950	£13,937	
Total	£457,640	£679,292	

Budget in context...

- 2021/2022 was a challenging year for city events / arts culture
- Impact of Covid:
 - Creation Day Festival postponed three times due to Government Covid restrictions. May 2022 event moved to summer/autumn 2023.
 - Relight Festival – delayed by extended Government Covid restrictions and buyer behaviour post-pandemic.
 - Lost income from venues eg Slade Rooms: but continued cost liabilities.
 - Lost sponsorship opportunities to reduce costs – confidence only now returning
 - Cost inflation eg temporary toilets for events costing £1,100 in 2019, now costing £3,100. Getting significantly worse this year.
- Ambition: events/culture seen as big driver for footfall and economic benefit
- Greater requirements on the events budget to do more – given the success of the team after a period of budget reductions and post pandemic cost inflation and pressures.
- Internal review - core funding eg Christmas lights, Vaisakhi, Diwali, Eid and Pride
- Greater income generation as way of growing programme over medium-term.

Questions?

Briefing Note

Title: Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee: Progress on Action Plan

Date: 24 October 2022

Prepared by: Claire Nye

Job Title: Director of Finance

Intended Audience:

Internal

Partner organisation

Public

Confidential

Purpose

For Scrutiny Board to consider, at Appendix 1, the progress made on the Action Plan which was developed by the Select Committee on the Wolverhampton Pound.

Background

The Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee Action Plan was endorsed by Cabinet on 6 July 2022 and Council on 20 July 2022. The Select Committee was a cross party group of non-executive Councillors who produced a report and recommendations contained within an Action Plan. They considered the following lines of inquiry:

‘How do we engage with local businesses and the Voluntary and Community sector in relation to procurement, contract management and commissioning and how do we ensure inclusivity, equality and value for money in these approaches?’

How do we engage with partners, local businesses and the Voluntary and Community sector to make the City a catalyst for change by ensuring that all contracts reflect our values in areas such as climate change, equality, diversity and inclusion, retaining and growing local wealth and having a real presence in the City?’

The Select Committee was Chaired by Cllr Susan Roberts MBE and the Vice-Chair was Cllr Paul Appleby. The following Members were also part of the Select Committee: -

Cllr Jonathan Crofts
Cllr Valerie Evans
Cllr Barbara McGarrity QN
Cllr Rita Potter
Cllr Zee Russell
Cllr Jaqueline Sweetman
Cllr Ellis Turrell

Proposal/Options

Scrutiny Board are asked to consider and comment on the progress made in completing each of the twenty actions contained in the Action Plan.

APPENDIX 1 - The Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee - Action Plan

Key

Blue – Delivered **Green** - Ongoing

Recommendation	Action Owner	End Date	Progress	Status
Recommendation 1: That the Council enter dialogue with the University in relation to identifying any students nearing the end of their studies who may be interested in a role in procurement.	John Thompson Head of Procurement	January 2023	Initial priority has been given to recommendation 3, following which discussions will be held regarding future cohorts of students.	
Recommendation 2: That opportunities be considered in relation to engaging with partners to utilise their skills and resources in areas such as procurement to help deliver major capital schemes.	Richard Lawrence Director of Regeneration Ian Fegan Director of Communications and External Relations	Ongoing	Conversations have been held with Procurement leads in Wolverhampton anchor network (WAN). Discussions have also been held with regional Procurement Leads. Synergies across the organisations have been discussed seeking to identify potential opportunities.	
Recommendation 3: That the Council enter dialogue with the University, College and other local providers, in relation to providing the Chartered Institute of Procurement and Supply Diploma qualification.	John Thompson Head of Procurement	November 2022	Discussions have been held with the University and the University is having discussions about the potential of offering CIPS training. A follow up meeting will be arranged with the University.	

Recommendation	Action Owner	Timescales	Progress	
<p>Recommendation 4: That the Council investigate using market forces supplements in the short term to recruit to the more senior posts whilst at the same time ensuring that clear succession planning is in place by continuing to develop our own staff through the apprentice and procurement buyers posts and the Diploma</p>	<p>John Thompson Head of Procurement</p>	<p>Delivered</p>	<p>Market forces have been signed off by the Pay Strategy Board and were implemented in recent recruitment.</p> <p>2 out of the 3 Procurement Business Partner vacancies (IT and Social Care) have been filled, one is an internal and one is an external candidate</p> <p>2 Procurement Buyer posts have just been filled as part of our grow our own approach; one was previously a graduate trainee. In addition, a previous buyer has now been promoted to Procurement Manager.</p> <p>An apprentice role will be shortly advertised which will be initially available for re-deployment, internal and care leaver applications (to support corporate parenting) only. The position will support the Procurement team in delivery of procurement activity and will be supported to achieve professional qualifications.</p> <p>Procurement will shortly have 2 Procurement buyers and 1 Procurement manager post completing Level 4 Procurement qualification and 2 Procurement managers completing Level 5 and 6 Procurement qualifications. These opportunities are open to all team members who do not currently hold them</p>	

			The Council came third in our cohort on the Commercial Standards and Continuous Improvement Framework (CCIAF) for our training offer.
Recommendation 5: That a clause be added when a qualification is undertaken and funded by the council, that should the employee leave within a certain amount of time after studying, that all or part of the fee for the course be reimbursed.	David Pattison Chief Operating Officer	Delivered	<p>A process has been signed off for compliance with Legal Services and HR.</p> <p>One Procurement manager has currently taken up the offer with another will be starting in March 23</p> <p>The Council came third in our cohort on the Commercial Standards and Continuous Improvement Framework (CCIAF) for our training offer.</p>
Recommendation 6: That when advertising for procurement roles, the Council go beyond the normal compensation package to also highlight the less tangible elements that make working for the City of Wolverhampton Council special and to use the website to really highlight and promote this.	John Thompson Head of Procurement	Delivered	<p>A landing site has been developed which emphasises the importance of procurement in the Council and also our focus on training and development. The landing site can be found here: www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/jobs-and-careers/recruitment-procurement</p> <p>On the Council’s website, the job vacancies page also provides links to information about the benefits of working for the Council which can be found here: Job vacancies City Of Wolverhampton Council https://www.wmjobs.co.uk/employer/1015/city-of-wolverhampton-council/</p> <p>2 Procurement Buyer posts have just been filled as part of our grow our own approach, one was previously a graduate trainee; previous buyer has now been promoted to Procurement Manager.</p> <p>A number of Procurement Manager vacancies will be advertised shortly along with a Procurement Apprentice role.</p>


Recommendation	Action Owner	Timescales	Progress	Status
<p>Recommendation 7: That to provide coordination and consistency of approach across all departments, that resources for the Wolverhampton Pound initiative are reviewed by officers, and that additional capacity is identified to ensure delivery against this key priority.</p>	<p>David Pattison Chief Operating Officer</p> <p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>Charlotte Johns Director of Strategy</p>	<p>January 2023</p>	<p>A job description has been developed for the Head of Wolverhampton Pound and recruitment will commence in October.</p> <p>The ongoing review of the Procurement Pipeline and contract reviews being undertaken through the Contract Management Project are helping to embed the Wolverhampton Pound Approach. It can be seen, through recent procurement reports, that progress has been made to embed the approach.</p> <p>This work has informed thinking about how the new resource can best add value to the organisation.</p> <p>Once an appointment has been made a work plan will be developed with the officer to implement the objectives to further drive and embed Wolverhampton Pound in the Council and with the Anchor Network.</p> <p>The Anchor Network have agreed to co-fund a co-ordinator post for the network to help to ensure that we continue to make progress on all three workstreams of procurement, workforce and assets.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 8: That the Procurement Pipeline be kept under review and monitored on a regular basis through the relevant scrutiny panels.</p>	<p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>John Thompson</p>	<p>Ongoing</p>	<p>A mechanism has been developed with Strategic Finance to imbed the procurement pipeline in financial monitoring practices</p> <p>Attendance at leadership teams is now established</p>	

	Head of Procurement		<p>The Procurement Team are monitoring Starting Procurement Forms to ensure they align with the procurement pipeline.</p> <p>The procurement pipeline is now being utilised to inform budget and MTFS planning. The pipeline will be brought to Scrutiny Panels as part of the combined performance and budget reports. The team will continue to monitor the pipeline and work with service areas.</p> <p>New practices will be continually reviewed to ensure that they are having the required outcomes.</p> <p>The Council came first in our cohort on the Commercial Standards and Continuous Improvement Framework (CCIAF) for our pipeline process.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 9: That when the Pipeline is published, at least three upcoming contracts be identified to be used as pilots for the new approaches to procurement and the Wolverhampton Pound and that a report in relation to these and the ongoing management of the contracts be monitored through the scrutiny process.</p>	<p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>John Thompson Head of Procurement</p> <p>Parvinder Uppal Head of Commercial</p>	September 2023	<p>This recommendation has been aligned with the contract management project, i.e. contract reviews and upcoming procurements.</p> <p>Contracts will be identified, and Key Performance Indicators will be developed for monitoring and reporting.</p> <p>Processes will be continued to be further develop and reviewed.</p>	

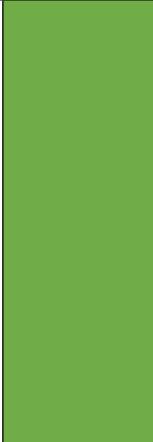
Recommendation	Action Owner	Timescales	Progress	
<p>Recommendation 10: That any social value and ethical priorities relating to procurement link to the Our City: Our Plan and that there be a refresh of the council social value strategy.</p>	<p>Charlotte Johns Director of Strategy</p> <p>Laura Collings Head of Policy and Strategy</p> <p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>Parvinder Uppal Head of Commercial</p>	<p>December 2022</p>	<p>The Strategy and Framework are in development which links in with the Sustainability Framework and Procurement Strategy which have also been updated.</p> <p>Once finalised, approval will be obtained through the governance process.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 11: That a working group be set up to investigate and balance areas of risk in relation to the procurement process and where processes might be streamlined and areas such as liability insurance reduced. The working group should include representatives from legal, procurement, audit and risk and governance.</p>	<p>David Pattison Chief Operating Officer</p>	<p>December 2022 for the initial review to be completed</p>	<p>Representatives from the organisation have been identified, these are Internal Audit Business Partner, Head of Procurement, Lead Lawyer, Head of Governance, Head of Commercial. Representatives from various teams will be asked to participate when required.</p> <p>The process is being led by Internal Audit. An initial review will be undertaken however it is recognised that a further review may be required when the outcome of legislative changes are understood.</p>	

<p>Recommendation 12: That a structured and consistent approach is developed in relation to co-production and early market engagement.</p>	<p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>John Thompson Head of Procurement</p>	<p>Awaiting final Procurement Bill circa January 23, as a number of changes are expected relating to pre-procurement activity</p>	<p>The Pipeline has been published in accordance with the requirements.</p> <p>In order to improve consistency and a structured approach electronic documentation is in development for engagement, soft market tests and Prior Information Notices (PINs).</p> <p>The new documents will be launched with training and advice being given to users.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 13: That there be mandatory training for all contract managers included as part of their induction process.</p>	<p>Parvinder Uppal Head of Commercial</p>	<p>April 2023</p>	<p>Contract management training is now mandatory. The training identified through the Government Commercial College has been rolled out.</p> <p>Feedback is being gathered to inform future tailored training.</p> <p>Training uptake statistics are being shared with the organisation. Conversations are being held with Organisational Development to discuss how appropriate training can be incorporated in the induction process for relevant officers.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 14: That moving forward, training be developed in house in relation to procurement and contract management and include reference to the Our City: Our Plan, Vision 2030, the Wolverhampton Pound, Relighting our City and the Social Value Framework.</p>	<p>Parvinder Uppal Head of Commercial</p>	<p>September 2023</p>	<p>Currently collating contract management topics following contract reviews and feedback from training undertaken.</p> <p>Several officers are undertaking Practitioner Level training, these officers will be contract management champions to support services.</p>	

			<p>Future training topics and formats will be developed in conjunction with Organisational Development to support strategies.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 15: That regular reports be provided to the Our Council Scrutiny Panel to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • how and where social value is being achieved and measured • figures in relation to how we are retaining increased economic wealth • information on new job creation • how we are ensuring value for money throughout the procurement and contract management process • updates on training for contract and service managers • successes to be celebrated. 	<p>David Pattison Chief Operating Officer</p> <p>Charlotte Johns Director of Strategy</p> <p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>Richard Lawrence Director of Regeneration</p>	<p>End of 2023</p>	<p>It was anticipated that the new systems for E-tendering and contract management would provide a mechanism to record and report on all aspects of contract performance including social value. However, the initial tender exercise was unsuccessful.</p> <p>Until such time as a new contract management system is in place it is necessary to establish an interim solution to bring several different data sources together to enable corporate reporting.</p> <p>The Digital and Data and Analytics Teams are supporting the system procurement and will also help to develop an interim solution.</p> <p>Processes will be developed to capture data to enable the organisation to report on the identified areas.</p>	

<p>Recommendation 16: That a single point of contact for the procurement processes and contract management processes be identified.</p>	<p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p> <p>John Thompson Head of Procurement</p>	<p>March 2023</p>	<p>The Procurement and Commercial teams are continuing with the various business engagement forums.</p> <p>The Head of Procurement is investigating resources required to allocate a single point contact, looking at a one Council approach to support local business in conjunction with the Regeneration team. Procurement do have multiple channels for contact including our dedicated webpage on the Councils main website: www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/business/opportunities</p> <p>The Tendering portal www.wolverhamptontenders.com and Twitter page twitter.com/buywolves</p> <p>The procurement pipeline can be found www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/business/opportunities/procurement-pipeline and contact details of how to contact Procurement are also available there.</p> <p>The Procurement team have recently supported the meet the supplier event as part of Wolverhampton Business week.</p> <p>The Head of Commercial is investigating resources required to support a single point contact for Contract Management this will be picked up as part of the Contract Management Project.</p> <p>Processes and single point to be agreed once the Head of Wolverhampton Pound is appointed</p>	
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<p>Recommendation 17: That existing application and bureaucratic processes be assessed and where possible, streamlined.</p>	<p>David Pattison Chief Operating Officer</p> <p>Claire Nye Director of Finance</p>	<p>December 2022 for the initial review to be completed</p>	<p>Refer to recommendation 11.</p>	
<p>Recommendation 18: That visible leadership be used to promote the Wolverhampton Pound at both councillor level and officer level and that a champion from both areas be appointed to raise awareness and champion the work being done. These champions will provide visible leadership at the highest levels and help to raise the profile of the Wolverhampton Pound to local businesses, the VCS and our communities.</p>	<p>David Pattison Chief Operating Officer</p>	<p>January 2023</p>	<p>This is being incorporated with recommendation 7</p>	
<p>Recommendation 19: That regular reports in relation to the work of the VCS be provided to Scrutiny Board or the All-Councillor briefings to help to raise awareness and support for the organisations.</p>	<p>Mark Taylor Deputy Chief Executive</p> <p>Joanna Grocott Place Based Manager</p>	<p>March 2023</p>	<p>SEB will be updated in October regarding the VCS landscape and changes within the sector, following this Scrutiny Board will be updated</p>	

<p>Recommendation 20: That consideration be given as to whether the VCS might have a place on the Anchor Network and that if this is not possible, that processes be put in place to ensure that the VCS is regularly and routinely consulted by the Network.</p>	<p>Mark Taylor Deputy Chief Executive</p> <p>Charlotte Johns Director of Strategy</p> <p>Anchor Network</p>	<p>March 2023</p>	<p>A two-year full-time Co-Ordinator role has been established and co-funded by the 5 anchor institutions</p> <p>Ongoing discussions will continue with the VCS including through the Inclusion Board to identify how the VCS will engage and be represented on the Anchor network.</p>	
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Scrutiny Work Programme

Version Date: October 2022

The Scrutiny Work Programme – 2022 to 2023

Overview and Scrutiny Committees should be powerful committees that can contribute to the development of Council policies and hold the Cabinet to account for its decisions. Another key part of the overview and scrutiny role is to review existing policies, consider proposals for new policies and suggest new policies.

Overview and scrutiny should be carried out in a constructive way and should aim to contribute to the delivery of efficient and effective services that meet the needs and aspirations of local inhabitants. Overview and Scrutiny Committees should not shy away from the need to challenge and question decisions and make constructive criticism.

The Scrutiny Board and Scrutiny Panels will conduct their proceedings in accordance with the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules set out in Part 4 of the Constitution.

Each Scrutiny Panel will, subject to guidance from the Scrutiny Board, be responsible for setting and reviewing their priorities and work programme for the year.

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In addition to their rights as Councillors, members of the Scrutiny Board and Scrutiny Panels have additional right to documents, and to notice of meetings, as set out in the Access to Information Procedure Rules in Part 4.

The Scrutiny Board and Panels may scrutinise, and review decisions made, or actions taken in connection with the discharge of any Council functions. As well as reviewing documentation, in fulfilling the scrutiny role, it may require any Cabinet Member, the Head of Paid Service and/or any Designated Officer to attend before it to explain in relation to matters within their remit:

- a) any particular decision or series of decisions;
- b) the extent to which the actions taken implement Council policy; and/or
- c) their performance,
- d) and it is the duty of those persons to attend if so required.

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[Part 2 - Article 7 - Overview and Scrutiny Arrangements.pdf \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)

[Part 2 - Article 4 - The Full Council.pdf \(moderngov.co.uk\)](#)

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Scrutiny Board**Chair:** Councillor Sweet**Vice Chair:** Councillor Turrell

Strategic oversight

- WMCA interface
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Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee report	The report from the Select Committee.	David Pattison	Julia Cleary	Martin Stevens	14 June 2022	6 June 2022	Complete
Quarter 3 Social Care, Public Health, Corporate Complaints and Compliments Report	Quarter 3 - Report as standard.	David Pattison	Sarah Campbell	Martin Stevens	14 June 2022	6 June 2022	Complete
Performance and Budget Outturn 2021-2022	Performance and Budget Outturn 2021-2022.	David Pattison	James Amphlett and Alison Shannon	Martin Stevens	26 July 2022	18 July 2022	Complete
Blue Badge Update	As requested at Board in June.	Charlotte Johns	Lisa Powell	Martin Stevens	26 July 2022	18 July 2022	Complete

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Quarter 1 – Performance Report including budget	Quarter 1 Performance Report as received by Cabinet.	David Pattison and Claire Nye	James Amphett and Alison Shannon	Martin Stevens	12 October 2022	4 October 2022	Complete
Cabinet Forward Plan	The published Cabinet Forward Plan.	David Pattison	Jaswinder Kaur	Martin Stevens	12 October 2022	4 October 2022	Complete
Scrutiny Work Programme for Municipal Year	The latest version of the Scrutiny Work Programme.	All of SEB	Martin Stevens / Earl Piggott-Smith	Martin Stevens	12 October 2022	4 October 2022	Complete
City Regeneration / Civic Halls	To include a site visit on the day before. Item requested following Cabinet report. Post Decision Scrutiny. Presentation to be given on evening.	Richard Lawrence	Richard Lawrence	Martin Stevens	12 October 2022	4 October 2022	Complete
Minutes from Special Meeting and June Meeting	Two sets of minutes as there was the Special meeting in July.	David Pattison	Martin Stevens / Kimberley Dawson	Martin Stevens	12 October 2022	4 October 2022	Programmed
Wolverhampton Pound: Select Committee Report on Actions	Following the publication of the Select Committee Report, the report is intended to review progress on the recommendations. Important to include Business Anchor Network.	David Pattison, Claire Nye and Charlotte Johns	To be discussed as numerous Officers were involved in the review.	Martin Stevens	1 November 2022	24 October 2022	Programmed
Visitor Experience: Strategy, Plan and Budget	Vice-Chair Requested at Preparation	Ian Fegan	Chrissie Rushton	Martin Stevens	1 November 2022	24 October 2022	Programmed

	Meeting. Has questions following response from Ian Fegan to his email.						
City Centre Regeneration	Economy and Growth S.P Members to be invited for this item. To discuss the replacement to the West Side Project.	Richard Lawrence	Liam Davies	Martin Stevens	1 November 2022	24 October 2022	Programmed
Wolverhampton Local Development Scheme	Should the decision by Cabinet be called in, this would become a Call-in item.	Richard Lawrence	Michele Ross	Martin Stevens	1 November 2022	24 October 2022	Programmed
Levelling Up	How Central Government policy is impacting on Wolverhampton at a local level and how the Council can maximise its potential within this policy arena.	Charlotte Johns	Laura Collings	Martin Stevens	6 December	28 November 2022	Programmed
WMCA Scrutiny Annual Report	To consider the WMCA Annual Scrutiny Report.	Charlotte Johns	Laura Collings	Martin Stevens	6 December	28 November 2022	Programmed
Council Plan, MTFS & Performance Framework	Standard item received each year on Council Plan, MTFS and Performance Framework.	David Pattison, Claire Nye and Charlotte Johns	Alison Shannon and James Amphlett	Martin Stevens	Mid Jan - TBC	Mid Jan - TBC	Programmed
Blue Badge Report	Specifically requested at July	Charlotte Johns	Lamour Gayle	Martin Stevens	7 February 2023	30 January 2023	Programmed

	meeting to review Blue Badge Service Performance.						
Annual Scrutiny Review	The standard Annual Scrutiny Review Report.	David Pattison	Laura Gittos / Scrutiny Manager	Martin Stevens	7 March 2023	27 February 2023	Programmed

Items to be scheduled

- Leisure PFI Contract (Pre-decision before Cabinet)

Economy and Growth Scrutiny Panel

Chair: Councillor Sweetman

Vice Chair: Councillor Khan

Remit, Function and Measures

- Creating good quality local jobs
- Working in partnership to support local people into work and better jobs
- Ensuring flexible systems which support local businesses to grow and residents to access good jobs
- Supporting local businesses to start up, scale up and thrive
- Attracting new investment which brings social and economic benefit to all
- Creating vibrant high streets with quality culture and leisure offers
- Growing the low carbon and circular economy
- Number of working age adults (16-64) claiming unemployment benefits
- Number of young adults (18-24) claiming unemployment benefits
- Number of jobs created / safeguarded in the city through the Investment Team
- % Local Authority spend on apprenticeship levy
- Number of apprentices and graduate placements within the council
- Business that survive one year in city
- % change in activity in city retail & recreational settings – Google Analytics
- % of premises in the city with full fibre coverage
- Number of rapid charging electric car points in the city
- Empty properties in the city centre
- Business that survive one year in city
- % change in activity in city retail & recreational settings – Google Analytics

- % of premises in the city with full fibre coverage
- Number of rapid charging electric car points in the city
- Wolverhampton based businesses supported by the Council
- New of new investment opportunities generated
- New businesses supported by commissioned service Access to Business

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer/Report Author Lead	Scrutiny Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Portfolio Holder Statement (including Questions and Answers)	Please note Councillor Simkins was the lead on this item.	Richard Lawrence	N/A	Martin Stevens	22 June 2022	14 June 2022	Complete
Visitor Experience, Culture and Leisure Offer	Briefing note and presentation on these strategic areas for the Council.	Richard Lawrence, Ian Fegan, John Denley	Chris Kirkland and Crissie Rushton	Martin Stevens	28 September 2022	20 September 2022	Complete
Inward Investment	Briefing note and presentation on Inward Investment and how it can be attracted.	Richard Lawrence	Richard Lawrence	Martin Stevens	28 September 2022	20 September 2022	Complete
City Public Realm Works	To consider the status of the project.	John Roseblade / Richard Lawrence	John Roseblade / Richard Lawrence	Martin Stevens	28 September 2022	20 September 2022	Complete
Heath Town Baths	Requested by Member of the Council due to graffiti. Report on the future plans for the Baths.	Richard Lawrence	Simon Lucas	Martin Stevens	30 November 2022	22 November 2022	Programmed

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Business Support at Place level	Report to cover what the Council is doing to help businesses at a local ward level and how this links with the work on the Wolverhampton Pound.	Richard Lawrence	Isobel Woods	Martin Stevens	30 November 2022	22 November 2022	Programmed
Performance Update / Budget - Fulfilled Economy	Performance and Budget Report – Fulfilled Economy, in line with the new performance framework.	Claire Nye and Charlotte Johns	James Amphlett and Alison Shannon	Martin Stevens	30 November 2022	22 November 2022	Programmed
i54 – New Businesses	Director requested, to inform the Panel about developments at i54 relating to new businesses.	Richard Lawrence	Chris Kirkland	Martin Stevens	30 November 2022	22 November 2022	Programmed
The Green Economy. <i>Including a site visit to the National Brownfield Institute</i>	Director suggested site visit. Green Economy – Portfolio Holder has spoken about previously and suggested Panel should consider. Item needs to be shaped at a preparation meeting with Chair and Vice-Chair and Officers.	Richard Lawrence	TBC	Martin Stevens	15 February 2023	7 February 2023	Programmed
City Centre Regeneration	Report to consider the latest position	Richard Lawrence	Liam Davies	Martin Stevens	15 February 2023	7 February 2023	Programmed

	on the plans for City Centre Regeneration						
Empty units in the City Centre and Train Station	Vice-Chair Requested. How can the Council help ensure units are let in the City Centre and new Train Station.	Richard Lawrence	TBC	Martin Stevens	15 February 2023	7 February 2023	Programmed
Levelling Up Agenda / Future of LEP / WMCA	This item needs to be shaped at a preparation meeting with Chair and Vice-Chair and Officers.	Richard Lawrence	Liam Davis	Martin Stevens	15 February 2023	7 February 2023	Programmed

Other items raised or requested by panel and yet to be scheduled:

- Skills and Unemployment – request from Scrutiny Board
- Taxi Licensing Process (driver applications and vehicle plating)
- Pre-Decision – City Centre Hotel Delivery

Health Scrutiny Panel

Chair: Councillor Roberts

Vice Chair: Councillor P Singh

Remit and Function

- Wulfrunians live longer, healthier lives
- Healthy Inclusive Communities
- The scrutiny of health provision in accordance with the Health and Social Care Act 2001 and subsequent relevant legislation and Government guidance.
- Health related issues in partnership with:
 - Public Health
 - NHS

- CCG/ICS
- Health and wellbeing Board
- Healthwatch
- Neighbouring Authorities

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer/Report Author Lead	Scrutiny Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Primary Care	Report on the Healthwatch Primary Care Telephone survey and a report from the CCG on progress following previous recommendations from the Panel on Primary Care.	John Denley	N/A	Martin Stevens	30 June 2022	22 June 2022	Complete
RWT Quality Accounts	Report on Quality Accounts is received each year by the Pane. Invitation to Staffordshire County Council Health Scrutiny Members to attend virtually.	John Denley	David Loughton	Martin Stevens	22 September 2022	14 September 2022	Complete
Public Health Wolverhampton Annual Report	Annual report received each year by the Panel from Public Health	John Denley	John Denley	Martin Stevens	22 September 2022	14 September 2022	Complete
Health Checks and Screening (including cancer)	Report to consider the local position on health checks and screening.	John Denley	Ainee Khan	Martin Stevens	22 September 2022	14 September 2022	Complete

	Monitoring performance.						
Integrated Care System Strategy and Priorities	To scrutinise the Integrated Care System Strategy. Report should list the Integrated Care Priorities and why they have been chosen. If not yet determined, to review progress on the matter.	John Denley	Madeleine Freewood	Martin Stevens	12 December 2022	2 December 2022	Programmed
One Wolverhampton Strategy and Priorities	Report to consider the strategy of One Wolverhampton and its priorities.	John Denley	Madeleine Freewood	Martin Stevens	12 December 2022	2 December 2022	Programmed
Performance Report / Budget – Healthy Inclusive Communities	To consider the Performance Report and Budget – Health inclusive Communities	John Denley, Claire Nye and Charlotte Johns	Alison Shannon and James Amphlett	Martin Stevens	12 December 2022	2 December 2022	Programmed
Primary Care	Healthwatch will be doing another telephone GP Survey as requested by the Panel. To consider the findings.	John Denley	Stacey Lewis (Healthwatch Wolverhampton)	Martin Stevens	19 January 2023	11 January 2023	Programmed
One Wolverhampton Performance Review	To review the performance to date of One Wolverhampton.	John Denley	TBC	Martin Stevens	19 January 2023	11 January 2023	Programmed

RWT Hospital Transport Service	Item requested by Panel previously. To consider the RWT Transport Service and links to Walsall Manor Hospital	John Denley	David Loughton (RWT)	Martin Stevens	19 January 2023	11 January 2023	Programmed
Urology Monitoring Report	Panel resolved to scrutinise the Urology Services merger with Walsall after six months of implementation.	John Denley	David Loughton (RWT)	Martin Stevens	19 January 2023	11 January 2023	Programmed
Love your Community and Place Based Update	Community and Place Based Working Report.	John Denley	Joanna Grocott	Martin Stevens	19 January 2023	11 January 2023	Programmed
One Wolverhampton	Director requested regular item on One Wolverhampton. Scope of item to be discussed at an agenda preparation meeting.	John Denley	Madeleine Freewood	Martin Stevens	23 March 2023	15 March 2023	Programmed
Maternity Services at RWT	Item requested by Chief Executive of RWT. To ensure everything is being done to ensure safety and quality of Maternity Services in Wolverhampton	John Denley	David Loughton (RWT)	Martin Stevens	23 March 2023	15 March 2023	Programmed
Hearing Aids	Item requested by Chair. Report to	John Denley	TBC	Martin Stevens	23 March 2023	15 March 2023	Programmed

	consider how Wolverhampton residents can obtain a good hearing aid service.						
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Other items raised or requested by panel and yet to be scheduled:

- Mental Health Trust Update
- Transition Services – Child to Adult
- How the CQC Works in Wolverhampton
- Sexual Health Referral Centres

Residents, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Panel

Chair: Councillor McGarity

Vice Chair: Councillor C Haynes

Remit, Function and Measurements

- Closing the gap on healthy life expectancy
- Ensuring people live happier more active lives
- Ensuring inclusive, welcoming communities where people feel safe and look out for each other
- Delivering more new homes
- Ensuring safe and healthy homes for all
- Ensuring access to a secure home
- Ensuring clean, green neighbourhoods and public space
- Well-connected businesses and residents
- Community Safety
- % of adult residents in the city who have received their COVID-19 vaccination
- Years of life lost Infant deaths per 100,000
- Coronary heart disease mortality rates per 100,000
- Alcohol related mortality per 100,000
- % of physically inactive adults
- % of 40-74 years attending offered health checks

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- Number of Domestic Violence incidents reported to the police
- Personal well-being estimates by local authority Life satisfaction Worthwhile Happiness Anxiety
- Number of new builds completed in the city
- Net additional dwellings in the city
- % of dwelling stock that is vacant in the city
- Housing affordability ratio
- Total crime recorded per 1000 population
- % of planning application decisions made with 13 weeks or agreed timescales
- Number of homeless families moved into secure housing
- Energy efficiency of housing stock
- % fly tipping incidents resolved in 5 working days
- % of trees on public land every serviced every two years
- % of carriageways in city assessed as high quality

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WV Living Governance and Linked companies.	The governance arrangements of WV Living and Linked companies.	David Pattison	N/A	Martin Stevens	14 July 2022	6 July 2022	Complete
Heath Town Regeneration Presentation	To report on the progress made on the Heath Town Regeneration Project.	John Roseblade	N/A	Martin Stevens	14 July 2022	6 July 2022	Complete
Community Safety Update	Report to include Domestic Violence. Violent knife crime. Total crime performance measure. Scrutiny Board Members to	John Denley	Hannah Pawley	Martin Stevens	29 September 2022	21 September 2022	Complete

	be invited for this item.						
Energy efficiency of Housing stock and Fuel Poverty	To consider the energy efficiency of the social housing stock and private housing in Wolverhampton. To include grants available and measures to combat fuel poverty.	John Roseblade External: Shaun Aldis / Simon Bamfield	Karen Beasley	Martin Stevens	29 September 2022	21 September 2022	Complete
Performance Report / Budget– Good Homes in Well Connected Neighbourhoods	Performance and budget report, in line with the new performance framework.	Charlotte Johns and Claire Nye	James Amphlett and Alison Shannon	Martin Stevens	17 November 2022	9 November 2022	Programmed
Public Realm	To consider progress on the project and the aesthetics for the City Centre.	Richard Lawrence / John Roseblade	TBC	Martin Stevens	17 November 2022	9 November 2022	Programmed
Housing Allocation Policy	To consider the Housing Allocation Policy and recent changes.	John Roseblade External: Shaun Aldis	Michelle Garbett	Martin Stevens	17 November 2022	9 November 2022	Programmed
Cycling in Wolverhampton	Current landscape and future direction	John Roseblade	Tim Philpot	Martin Stevens	17 November 2022	9 November 2022	Programmed
Personal Well-Being Performance Report	Invite Health Scrutiny Panel Members for this item – for discussion	John Denley	TBC	Martin Stevens	16 February 2023	8 February 2023	Programmed

	between the Chairs of the Panels. Panel has these performance indicators within its remit. Life Expectancy, infant deaths, health checks, personal wellbeing estimates, physical inactivity, alcohol and gambling related health issues						
Private Sector Housing Standards	To consider what can be done to improve the standards in private sector housing, including rogue landlords.	John Roseblade	TBC	Martin Stevens	16 February 2023	8 February 2023	Programmed
Rough Sleepers Policy Review	Request form Scrutiny Board. How does the Council continue to help rough sleepers and what more can be done.	John Denley	Anthony Walker	Martin Stevens	16 February 2023	8 February 2023	Programmed
Tree Policy Review	Request from Chair and Vice-Chair. To review the new processes and strategy relating to the maintenance of trees.	John Roseblade	Steve Woodward	Martin Stevens	16 February 2022	8 February 2022	Programmed

Other items raised or requested by panel and yet to be scheduled:

- Street Scene (Possible extra meeting)
- Panel requested progress report on Customer Engagement Strategy
- Panel requested update on Heath Town Regeneration plans
- Proposed visit to Heath Town following meeting on 14 July 2022
- Visit to Wednesfield Community Hub requested
- Climate change
- Benchmark exercise to see how WH meets [fire safety standards for 2024](#), details of the specific targets

Fulfilled Adults Lives Scrutiny Panel

Chair: Councillor V Evans

Vice Chair: Councillor S Haynes

Remit and Function

- Ensuring that the Health and Social Care system to respond to and recover from Covid-19
- Ensuring independence for people with care and support needs
- Ensuring that people get the right support at the right time
- Ensuring the health and care reform agenda is delivered for people in Wolverhampton
- Protecting vulnerable people at risk of harm and exploitation
- % of older people (aged 65 and older) who were still at home 91 days after discharge from hospital into reablement/rehabilitation services
- % of adults with learning disabilities in paid employment
- % of social care users supported to remain in their own homes
- % of adults who use services who say social care services help them to feel safe and secure
- % of adults in receipt of long-term services who are in control of their own lives

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Item	Description	SEB Lead	Office Lead	Scrutiny Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Update on Health and Social Care Act - Fair Funding	Request from the Director to add this item to the agenda – report on Health and Care Reform	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	5 July 2022	27 June 2022	Complete

	proposals and Wolverhampton being part of the trailblazer local authorities						
Adult Services Transformation Programme	Request from the Director to add this item to the agenda – the report outlines the vision for adult services and the key elements of the strategy	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	5 July 2022	27 June 2022	Complete
Principal Social Worker Annual Report	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for discussion and comment on the work of the Principal Social Worker in promoting and improving the quality of social work practice and outline the key priorities for 2022-2023.	Becky Wilkinson	Jennifer Rogers	Earl Piggott-Smith	5 July 2022	27 June 2022	Complete
Our Commitment to All Age Carers 2022	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	18 October 2022	10 October 2022	Confirmed
Adult Social Care Winter Planning 2022-23	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	18 October 2022	10 October 2022	

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Transforming Adult Services Programme 2021-22 Annual report	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Becky Wilkinson	Emma Cleary	Earl Piggott-Smith	18 October 2022	10 October 2022	
Care and Support Provider Fee Review 2023-2024 and Market Sustainability	This is an annual report that presented to the panel for discussion and comment	Becky Wilkinson	Andrew Wolverson	Earl Piggott-Smith	17 January 2023	9 January 2023	Confirmed
City of Wolverhampton Council's Local Account	This is an annual report that presented to the panel for discussion and comment	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	17 January 2023	9 January 2023	Confirmed
Implementation of Carer Commitment and ambition for carers going forward	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	17 January 2023	9 January 2023	Confirmed
Principal Social Worker Annual Report	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for discussion and comment	Becky Wilkinson	Jennifer Rogers	Earl Piggott-Smith	17 January 2023	9 January 2023	Programmed
Health and Social Care Act - Fair Funding - Trailblazer Briefing Sessions	The Chair and Vice Chair agreed to arrange political group briefings in January 2023.	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	January 2023		

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Implementation of Social Care Commitment	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Becky Wilkinson	TBC	Earl Piggott-Smith	21 March 2023	13 March 2023	Programmed
Care and Support Provider Fee Review 2023-2024 and Market Sustainability – Follow Up Report	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for discussion and comment	Becky Wilkinson	Andrew Wolverson	Earl Piggott-Smith	21 March 2023	13 March 2023	Programmed
Adults Social Work and Workforce Health Check 2022	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for discussion and comment	Becky Wilkinson	Jennifer Rogers	Earl Piggott-Smith	21 March 2023	13 March 2023	Programmed

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Strong Families, Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel

Chair: Councillor Potter

Vice Chair: Councillor Collinge

Remit, Function and Measures

- Ensuring that Children have the best start in life and good early development
- Ensuring high quality education that closes the attainment gap
- Ensuring that children and young people grow up happy with good physical, social and mental health and wellbeing
- Ensuring that every young person in the city is equipped for adulthood with life skills and ready for work
- Ensuring that families are strengthened where children are vulnerable or at risk.
- % of Early Years and Childcare settings rated Good or Outstanding
- % of take up of 2-year-olds benefitting from early education
- % of schools in the city that are rated Good or Outstanding
- Average Attainment 8 score per pupil
- % gap in Attainment 8 score gap between advantaged and disadvantaged children
- Children in year 6 with excess weight
- % of 16 and 17 year-olds in education, employment or training

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- % of 16 and 17 year-olds with SEND in education, employment or training
- % of care leavers in education, employment or training
- First time entrants into the Youth Justice System
- Attendance at holiday schemes run by the council
- Rate of children open to social care per 10,000 population under 18
- % of repeat referrals into Childrens Social Care with 12 months
- % of children and young people in care who have had 3 or more placements in the year

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Children's Residential Provision Phase 2 – Business Case	N/A	Emma Bennett	Alison Hinds and Rachel King	Earl Piggott-Smith	23 June 2022	15 June 2022	Complete
Cross Party Scrutiny Review Group - Written Statement of Action	N/A	Emma Bennett	Brenda Wile	Earl Piggott-Smith	23 June 2022	15 June 2022	Complete
Work Plan	Urgent Item agreed by Chair and Vice Chair	Emma Bennett	Julia Cleary	Earl Piggott-Smith	23 June 2022	15 June 2022	Complete
Draft Ofsted inspection of Local Authority Children's Services (LACS) action plan		Emma Bennett	Alison Hinds and Brenda Wile	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 July 2022	5 July 2022	Complete

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Principal Social Worker Annual Report 2021 - 2022		Emma Bennett	Jennifer Rogers	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 July 2022	5 July 2022	Complete
Children and Young People Social Work Self Evaluation		Emma Bennett	Alison Hinds	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 July 2022	5 July 2022	Complete
Youth and holiday offer in the City	Panel requested details of youth holiday offer and progress since earlier report	Emma Bennett	Andrew Wolverson	Earl Piggott-Smith	5 October 2022	27 September 2022	Complete
Cross Party Scrutiny Review Group - Written Statement of Action	A verbal update on progress and outcome from meeting on 27.9.22 - The panel agreed the terms of reference and to receive an update at this meeting.	Emma Bennett	Martin Stevens	Martin Stevens	5 October 2022	27 September 2022	Complete
Children's Services Transformation Programme Annual Report	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment	Emma Bennett	Andrew Wolverson and Emma Cleary	Earl Piggott-Smith	5 October 2022 ,	27 September 2022	Complete
Update from Cross Party Scrutiny Review Group: Written Statement of Action	The panel agreed to receive updates on the work of the group at this this meeting.	Emma Bennett	Brenda Wile	Earl Piggott-Smith	11 January 23	3 January 2023	Programmed

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Education Excellence: Update and monitoring	The panel requested an update on progress following the presentation of a previous report draft in January 2021 Education Excellence Strategy (EES) 2021-2024	Emma Bennett	Phil Leivers	Earl Piggott-Smith	11 January 23	3 January 2023	Programmed
Virtual School Head Annual Report	This is an annual report that presented to the panel for discussion and comment on the progress of children and young people in care and previously in care, for the academic year 2020/21	Emma Bennett	Darren Martindale	Earl Piggott-Smith	11 January 23	3 January 2023	Programmed
Response to Schools White Paper	The panel requested an update on Council's response to the plans in the White Paper and the impact on education provision in Wolverhampton.	Emma Bennett	Brenda Wile	Earl Piggott-Smith	11 January 23	3 January 2023	Programmed
Social Work and Workforce Health Check	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment specifically on the survey findings from social workers and other workers in children's service	Emma Bennett	Jenny Rogers	Earl Piggott-Smith	15 March 2023	7 March 2023	Programmed
Family Hubs	The panel requested details about the range of local support offered to	Emma Bennett	Alison Hinds	Earl Piggott-Smith	15 March 2023	7 March 2023	Programmed

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	families who support and advice						
School appeals	The panel requested details about school appeals process and outcomes	Emma Bennett	tbc	Earl Piggott-Smith	15 March 2023	7 March 2023	

Resources and Equalities Scrutiny Panel

Chair: Councillor Russell

Vice Chair: Councillor U Singh

Remit, Function and Measures

- Measuring Success
- Our City Our Plan – Our Council Programme
- Our Assets – Workplace Strategy and Strategic Asset Plan
- Our Data
- Our Digital
- Our Money
- Our People
- Our City: Our Plan – fairness and inclusion including equalities
- Gender pay gap of council employees
- Ethnicity pay gap of council employee
- Customer Service call wait times
- Sickness absence rates
- Employee turnover rate
- Spend with local businesses
- LGA Resident Satisfaction Polling

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Linked Bodies	N/A	David Pattison	N/A	Earl Piggott-Smith	29 June 2022	21 June 2022	Complete
Ethnicity Pay Gap	N/A	David Pattison / Laura Phillips	Sukhvinder Mattu	Earl Piggott-Smith	29 June 2022	21 June 2022	Complete
EDI strategy	Standing item Progress to date against the Race at Work Charter standards Progress to date against the Gender Equality Plan Progress to date against Rainbow City Plan	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 October 2022	5 October 2022	Complete
Treasury Management	Information Item - this is an annual report presented to the panel for comment	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 October 2022	5 October 2022	Complete
Reserves Working Group	membership and terms of reference – this a standard group of the panel who review the Council's specific reserves proposals	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 October 2022	5 October 2022	Complete

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Customer Services performance and future strategy	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Charlotte Johns	Lamour Gayle	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 October 2022	5 October 2022	Complete
Contract Management and Procurement Update	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda – this reports updates previous report that was presented to the panel in Jan 2021	Claire Nye	John Thompson and Parvinder Uppal	Earl Piggott-Smith	13 October 2022	5 October 2022	Complete
Yoo Recruit Review	The panel requested a more detailed report on this following an earlier report on the arrangements for monitoring of linked bodies	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	Earl Piggott-Smith	1 December 2022	23 November 2022	Programmed
EDI strategy	Update on peer assessment undertaken against the Race Equality Code Progress on Diversity in the Workplace	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	Earl Piggott-Smith	1 December 2022	23 November 2022	Programmed
Our City: Our Plan and MTFs	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	Earl Piggott-Smith	1 December 2022	23 November 2022	Programmed
Assets – inc. use of the Civic Centre and Council owned	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda.	Mark Taylor	Julia Nock	Earl Piggott-Smith	1 December 2022	23 November 2022	Programmed

buildings (inc. agile working strategy)	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment						
Specific Reserves Working Group report	This is a summary of the findings and any recommendations from the working group	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	Earl Piggott-Smith	1 December 2022	23 November 2022	Programmed
External Grant Funding	To include update on Wolverhampton Pound action plan. The panel requested details of different funding programmes	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon/Heather Clarke	Earl Piggott-Smith	8 December 2022	30 November 2022	
Our People Strategy and Performance	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda – the report to include Our Council and Performance/Budge information	David Pattison	Laura Phillips/ James Amphlett/ Alison Shannon	Earl Piggott-Smith	8 December 2022	30 November 2022	
EDI strategy	The panel agreed to add this as a standing item to the panel work progress.	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	Earl Piggott-Smith	2 February 2022	25 January 2023	Programmed
Draft Customer Service Strategy	To update the panel on performance and share the proposals	Charlotte Johns	Lamour Gayle	Earl Piggott-Smith	2 February 2022	25 January 2023	

	for the strategy detailed in report presented on 13.10.22						
Digital Wolves Strategy Update	This is an update to the report presented in January 2022 aimed at maximising the benefit of digital to residents and businesses in the city.	Charlotte Johns	Heather Clark	Earl Piggott-Smith	2 February 2022	25 January 2023	Programmed
Treasury Management Strategy	pre-decision scrutiny – this is an annual report	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	Earl Piggott-Smith	2 February	25 January 2023	Programmed
Ethnicity Pay Gap report 2021 update report	This is an update on progress to a previous report presented to the panel in June 2022 on actions to further reduce the ethnicity pay gap at the City of Wolverhampton Council.	David Pattison	Sukhvinder Mattu	Earl Piggott-Smith	2 February	25 January 2023	Programmed
school exclusion and suspension rates	The panel requested a further report following the discussion on Ethnicity Pay Gap report 2021 that	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	Earl Piggott-Smith	2 February	25 January 2023	Programmed

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	was presented in June 2022						
Agenda item to be confirmed				Earl Piggott- Smith	Late February 2022		