

# The Scrutiny Work Programme – 2023 to 2024

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 effectives 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.

Any scrutiny member is entitled to give notice to the Scrutiny Team that they wish an item relevant to the functions of the Panel to be considered for inclusion on an agenda for a meeting of the Board or Panel. A discussion will then take place between the Lead Officer for the Panel or Board, the Scrutiny Officer and the Chair / Vice-Chair of the Panel or Board to determine if the request for an additional item is a priority for scrutiny and to give time to consider the value scrutiny can bring to the item. This would ideally take place at an informal preparation meeting. If agreement cannot be reached, it will go to the Scrutiny Panel/Board for decision. The Chair will have due regard for all the points raised in making the decision. Where it is not considered appropriate for the Board or Panel to deal with the item(s), at the next meeting, the Chair will give the reasons for this decision to the member requesting the item.

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

### **Key Links:**

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

Part 2 - Article 4 - The Full Council.pdf (moderngov.co.uk)

Part 4c - Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.pdf (moderngov.co.uk) Part 4d - Access To Information Procedure Rules.pdf (moderngov.co.uk)

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## **Scrutiny Board**

Chair: Councillor Phil Bateman MBE Vice Chair: Councillor Ellis Turrell Scrutiny Support: Martin Stevens DL

- Co-ordinate the Scrutiny Work Programme
- Major infrastructure projects that crosscut Scrutiny Panels
- WMCA interface Interface for the purposes of Scrutiny Board is defined, as including the relationship and interactions the Council has with the Combined Authority, particularly strategy and policy impacting on Wolverhampton.
- MTFS (overall oversight on Revenue/Capital/Assets)
- Overall performance
- Our City, Our Plan, the council's strategic framework for levelling up
- Pre-Decision If an item needs to come for pre-decision, which cannot go to the relevant Scrutiny Panel for logistical reasons such as timing or the agenda already being at capacity, then Scrutiny Board can instead consider the item. Some pre-decision items may always need to come to Scrutiny Board such as the MTFS.
- Levelling Up
- Pre-Decision
- Call-in
- Petitions
- Wolverhampton Pound
- Oversight of Select Committee work reporting on outcomes. Scrutiny Review Groups and Select Committees should clearly state in their terms of reference if they should report to the parent Scrutiny Panel or Scrutiny Board. To avoid duplication, it should not be both.

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
City West Relaunch Scheme - Payments	The Extraordinary Scrutiny Board meeting held on 2 May 2023 was adjourned.	John Roseblade	Isobel Woods / Richard Lawrence	13 June 2023	5 June 2023	Completed

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Statutory Scrutiny Guidance and the Governance of Scrutiny Board	A report detailing the purpose of Scrutiny Board and the Statutory Scrutiny Guidance.	David Pattison	David Pattison	13 June 2023	5 June 2023	Completed
Budget Performance Monitoring Q4	Standard Budget / Performance Monitoring Report – Q4.	Claire Nye / Charlotte Johns	Alison Shannon / James Amphlett	20 July 2023	12 July 2023	Completed
WMCA Devolution Deal	To consider the Devolution Deal	Charlotte Johns	Laura Collings	26 September 2023	18 September 2023	Completed
Social Housing Regulation Act 2023 - Landlord Services Review	Pre-Decision Scrutiny. Scrutiny Board requested this item come before them last time it was before them.	John Roseblade	Andrew Bryant / Lynda Eyton	26 September 2023	18 September 2023	Completed
Task and Finish Scrutiny Group Proposals	As requested by the Chair and Vice-Chair of Scrutiny Board.	David Pattison / John Roseblade / lan Fegan	N/A	26 September 2023	18 September 2023	Completed
Budget Performance Monitoring Q1	Standard Budget / Performance Monitoring Report	Claire Nye / Charlotte Johns	Alison Shannon / James Amphlett	26 September 2023	18 September 2023	Completed

Annual Scrutiny Report	Annual Scrutiny Report for May 2022 – May 2023.	David Pattison	Laura Noonan / Martin Stevens	23 October 2023	13 October 2023	Completed
Wolverhampton Local Plan	Requested by Scrutiny Board in September.	Richard Lawrence	Stephen Alexander / Ian Culley	23 October 2023	13 October 2023	Completed
Communication Plan for the Council	Cllr Phil Bateman requested this at a previous meeting of the Board. Stressing the importance of communications.	Ian Fegan	Richard Wyatt	14 November 2023	6 November 2023	Completed
Wolverhampton Pound – To include Progress on Recommendations from Select Committee	Review of recommendations from Wolverhampton Pound Select Committee	Claire Nye	John Thompson / Parvinder Uppal / Louise West	14 November 2023	6 November 2023	Completed
West Midlands Combined Authority - Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report	Chair of Scrutiny Panel from WMCA will attend.	Lindsey Roberts (WMCA – Scrutiny Officer)	James Hughes (WMCA - Member Relationship Manager)	12 December 2023	4 December 2023	Completed
West Midlands Combined Authority - Report setting out the work they are carrying out this year	West Midlands Combined Authority falls in the remit of the Panel. Members requested further scrutiny in this area.	Laura Shoaf CBE (Chief Executive WMCA)	James Hughes (Member Relationship Manager)	12 December 2023	4 December 2023	Completed

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Housing Revenue Account (Pre- Decision Scrutiny)	They are providing a report on the work they are doing related to Wolverhampton.  Item is received annually each year.	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	12 December 2023	4 December 2023	Completed
Budget Performance Monitoring Q2	Standard Budget / Performance Monitoring Report – Q2.	Claire Nye / Charlotte Johns	James Amphlett / Alison Shannon	12 December 2023	4 December 2023	Completed
Budget and Performance Update (Pre- Decision Scrutiny). Includes Our City: Our Plan Refresh	Item is received annually each year.	James Howse / Charlotte Johns	Alison Shannon / James Amphlett	6 February 2024	29 January 2024	Agenda Sent
WMCA Single Settlement	Officer request to include on the agenda.	Charlotte Johns	Laura Collings	21 February 2024	13 February 2024	Programmed
Wolverhampton Local Plan	Scrutiny Board requested at the 23 Oct 2023 meeting.	Richard Lawrence	Stephen Alexander / Ian Culley Michele Ross	21 February 2024	13 February 2024	Programmed
City Learning Quarter	Requested by Director	Richard Lawrence		21 February 2024	13 February 2024	Programmed
Council's Physical Activity Strategy	Requested by Chair	John Denley	Richard Welch	21 February 2024	13 February 2024	Programmed

including recent investment in Gym Equipment						
Emergency Planning (Date to be confirmed)	Pre-Decision Scrutiny	David Pattison	Tim Munro/ Chelsea Sibley	5 March 2024	26 February 2024	Programmed
Budget Performance Monitoring Q3	Standard Budget / Performance Monitoring Report – Q3.	James Howse / Charlotte Johns	James Amphlett / Alison Shannon	16 April 2024 (Pre-election period)	8 April 2024	Programmed
Flooding Scrutiny Task and Finish Group – Final Report	To receive the final report from the Flooding Scrutiny Task and Finish Group.	David Pattison / John Roseblade	John Charles / Tim Munro/ Chelsea Sibley	16 April 2024 (Pre-election period)	8 April 2024	Programmed

## To Be Scheduled for Scrutiny Board:-

Funding Streams available to the Council (Action from 7 March 2023 – Scrutiny Board)
Cross Directorate - Mental Health Item as discussed by Scrutiny Board on 20 July 2023 (Early in the New Municipal Year)

## **Economy and Growth Scrutiny Panel**

Chair: Councillor Jacqueline Sweetman Vice Chair: Councillor Udey Singh Scrutiny Support: Lee Booker

### **Remit, Function and Measures**

- Help create good quality local jobs
- Working in partnership to support local people into work and better jobs
- Ensuring flexible skills 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
- Level of 16 & 17 year old NEETS
- 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
- Empty properties in the city centre
- Business that survive one year in city
- Businesses that survive five years in the city
- % of premises in the city with full fibre coverage
- Wolverhampton based businesses supported by the Council
- New investment opportunities generated by the Council
- To measure progress against the Strategic Economic Plan.

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Portfolio for City	Chair requested	Richard	Richard	21 June 2023	13 June 2023	Completed
Inclusive Economy	Portfolio Holder	Lawrence	Lawrence			

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about his Plans and Priorities for the Municipal Year	to give a statement about his plans for the year.					
Supporting the City's Businesses	Item requested at previous Panel meeting due to European Funding coming to an end in April.	Richard Lawrence	Isobel Woods	21 June 2023	13 June 2023	Completed
Supporting more people into jobs and training	Item requested at previous Panel meeting as part of on going Scrutiny on policy.	Emma Bennett	Isobel Woods	21 June 2023	13 June 2023	Completed
IPW Consultants Report on Visitor Economy	Item requested by Chair and agreed by Panel	Ian Fegan / Richard Lawrence	lan Fegan	11 July 2023	3 July 2023	CANCELLED
IPW Consultants Report on Visitor Economy / 5 Years Event Strategy	Item requested by Chair and agreed by Panel	Ian Fegan / Richard Lawrence	Ian Fegan	27 September 2023	19 September 2023	Completed
National Brownfield Institute & Green Innovation Corridor	Chair of Panel requested NBI to present their business case.	Richard Lawrence		27 September 2023	19 September 2023	Completed

Former Heath Town	Panel requested	Richard	COTECTIVELY MARKE	27 September	19 September	Completed
Baths	a further item on this to check status of Development.	Lawrence		2023	2023	•
Budget and Performance Update	Standard report received each year.	Richard Lawrence	James Amphlett Luke Dabin- Williams Raeesa Mohammed	29 November 2023	21 November 2023	Completed
Good Growth Strategy	Requested by Deputy Chief Executive for inclusion.	Charlotte Johns/Richard Lawrence	Charlotte Johns/ Laura Collings	29 November 2023	21 November 2023	Completed
Former Heath Town Baths Update	To consider the latest position.	Richard Lawrence		29 November 2023	21 November 2023	Completed
Business Growth	Request from Richard	Charlotte Johns / Richard Lawrence	Laura Collings / Julia Obada	7 February 2024	30 January 2024	Programmed
Wolverhampton Speedway	As requested by Scrutiny Board	lan Fegan		7 February 2024	30 January 2024	Programmed
Development of Hotels in the City and the Visitor Economy (TBC)	Panel Members have requested status of bringing new Hotels into the City.	Richard Lawrence	Kasandra Polyzoides	7 February 2024	30 January 2024	Programmed

### To Be Scheduled

**Creation Festival** 

Provisional Q&A with Portfolio Holder/ Leader (agreed in new Municipal year)

### **Health Scrutiny Panel**

Chair: Councillor Cllr Susan Roberts MBE

Vice Chair: Councillor Paul Singh Scrutiny Support: Lee Booker

### **Remit, Function and Measures**

The Panel will have responsibility for scrutiny functions as they relate to the scrutiny of health provision in accordance with relevant legislation and Government guidance.

The Panel will look at Health related issues in partnership with:

- Public Health
- NHS
- ICB/ICP/ICS
- · Health and wellbeing Board
- Healthwatch
- Neighbouring Authorities

#### In addition:-

- Participating with other relevant neighbouring authorities in any joint scrutiny arrangements of NHS Trusts providing cross border services
- Initiating the response to any formal consultation undertaken by relevant NHS Trusts and the Integrated Care Board or other health providers or commissioners on any substantial development or variation in services
- Decisions made by or actions of the Health and Wellbeing Board
- Reports and recommendations to relevant NHS bodies, relevant health service providers, the Secretary of State or Regulators
- Keep residents safe by containing and reducing the spread of Covid-19
- Close the gap on healthy life expectancy
- Help people live happier more active lives
- Protect vulnerable people at risk of harm and exploitation
- Alcohol specific mortality per 100,000

- % of physically inactive adults (Public Health Outcomes Framework)
- % of less active children (Active Lives Survey)
- Suicide rate (all persons) per 100,000
- % of 40-74 year olds attending offered health checks
- Number of individuals in treatment for alcohol (increase)
- Number of successful completions of alcohol treatment (no representation increase)
- Number of alcohol detoxes (increase in referred, initiated, and completed)
- Narrowing the gap in % of adult residents in the city who have received their Covid-19 vaccination
- Number of 'free' activities for CYP in the city and uptake by- long term health conditions, disabilities, low socioeconomic groups, minority ethnic groups
- Number of referrals to physical activity opportunities by a health professional

Item	Description	Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Hearing Aids	Presentation on Hearing Aid services across the City. Access for patients and performance stats.	Paul Tulley, Managing Director – Wolverhampton ICB	Sally Sandel - ICB	29 June 2023	21 June 2023	Completed
Patient Participation Groups	Report/Presentation on the status of Patient Participation Groups in the city, including performance information and status of activity.	Paul Tulley, Managing Director – Wolverhampton ICB	Sally Sandel - ICB	29 June 2023	21 June 2023	Completed
Local Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy	Officers requested this come before the Panel.	John Denley	Madeleine Freewood	29 June 2023	21 June 2023	Completed

Healthwatch Urology Survey Report	Healthwatch requested to bring item to the Panel	Stacey Lewis	N/A	29 June 2023	21 June 2023	Completed
CQC Inspection Report on the Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust Adult Acute Service	Scrutiny on the recent downgrading of the Adult Acute Services at the Mental Health Trust	Marsha Foster (Chief Executive – Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)	Dr Mark Weaver (Chief Medical Officer – Black Country Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust)	21 September 2023	13 September 2023	Completed
Maternity Services RWT	Chief Executive of RWT requested this come before the Panel due to the national changes and reports on failures at other Trusts.	David Loughton (Chief Executive – RWT)	Debra Hickman, Chief Nursing Officer - RWT	21 September 2023	13 September 2023	Completed
RWT Quality Accounts	Standard report received each year.	David Loughton (Chief Executive – RWT)	Cody Long, Deputy Director of Assurance - RWT	21 September 2023	13 September 2023	Completed

Healthwatch Annual Report	To receive the annual Healthwatch report. Standard item.	Stacey Lewis – Wolverhampton Healthwatch	N/A	21 September 2023	13 September 2023	Completed
Public Health Annual Report	Standard Annual Report the Panel receives each year.	John Denley	Madeleine Freewood	14 December 2023	6 December 2023	Completed
Budget and Performance Update	Standard report received each year.	John Denley	James Amphlett Jo McCoy Lindsey Cowan	14 December 2023	6 December 2023	Completed
Child to Adult Transition Services	Member of the Panel requested.	David Loughton (Chief Executive – RWT)	Debra Hickman Chief Nursing Officer - RWT	14 December 2023	6 December 2023	Completed
Hospital at Home	RWT requested this item about Virtual Wards.	David Loughton (Chief Executive – RWT)	Debra Hickman Chief Nursing Officer - RWT	14 December 2023	6 December 2023	Completed
Healthwatch GP Services Survey	Healthwatch survey to incorporate feedback on call access times as well as investigating website patient access.	Stacey Lewis – Wolverhampton Healthwatch	N/A	14 December 2023	6 December 2023	Completed
Gynaecology Services Review	Vice-Chair requested item. Joint item with RWT, Public Health and ICB with a focus on Gynaecology services at New Cross and Trust partners, the Manor and Cannock.	David Loughton (Chief Executive – RWT)	Debra Hickman (Chief Nursing Officer RWT)	18 January 2024	10 January 2024	Completed

West Midlands Ambulance Service Review Wolverhampton	Routine item required for review by the Panel	Pippa Wall/Mark Doherty	N/A	18 January 2024	10 January 2024	Completed
Integrated Care System Review of Strategy, Performance and Priorities	Full review of the strategy and performance against priorities.	John Denley/Paul Tulley	N/A	18 January 2024	10 January 2024	Completed
Healthwatch GP Services Survey	Continuation of the part-deferred item from the previous meeting	Stacey Lewis	N/A	18 January 2024	10 January 2024	Completed
Tuberculosis In Wolverhampton – Stats and Review	Item requested by Vice Chair	John Denley	Ainee Khan / Riva Eardley	18 January 2024	10 January 2024	Completed
RWT Hospital Transport Service	Requested by the Panel when they considered Urology item. To be included, small report on New Cross parking	David Loughton (Chief Executive – RWT)	N/A	21 March 2024	13 March 2024	Programmed
Mental Health Item	Children's Mental Health Services	Marsha Foster	N/A	21 March 2024	13 March 2024	Programmed
Dentistry	Children's and Adults	John Denley	Bal Kaur	21 March 2024	13 March 2024	Programmed
One Wolverhampton - Pharmacy	How Pharmacy services are changing within the new health system framework.	John Denley/Paul Tulley	Bal Kaur	21 March 2024	13 March 2024	Programmed

To be added - How the Care Quality Commission works in Wolverhampton – new municipal year

### **Climate Change, Housing and Communities Scrutiny Panel**

Chair: Councillor Anwen Muston Vice Chair: Councillor Wendy Dalton Scrutiny Support: Earl Piggott-Smith

#### **Remit, Function and Measures**

### The scrutiny of:

- Vibrant sustainable communities where people feel proud to live
- Keeping neighbourhoods, city infrastructure and the environment clean
- Improving city housing
- Cultural and leisure services
- Community Safety (Designated Statutory Panel)
- Work together to deliver 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
- 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 support in the community to prevent further harm
   Number of domestic abuse cases referred to Multi Agency Risk Assessment Conference (MARAC)
- WV Active membership numbers with breakdown by- long term health conditions, disabilities, low socioeconomic groups, minority ethnic groups
- Number of rapid charging electric car points in the city
- % Domestic Abuse related incidents and crimes

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Rough Sleepers Update	Presentation on the Councils homelessness team and up to date information on rough sleepers	John Denley	Anthony Walker	27 June 2023	19 June 2023	Completed
Improvement of Housing Standards through Licensing (exempt report)	Report on Housing Standards in the private rented sector with particular focus on licensing.	John Roseblade	Chris Howell & William Humphries	27 June 2023	19 June 2023	Completed
Safer Wolverhampton Partnership Strategic Priorities Consultation	Officer request.	John Denley	Hannah Pawley	27 June 2023	19 June 2023	Completed
Wolverhampton Homes – Building Safety Strategy (particular focus on Fire Safety)	Member requested at a previous meeting.	Shaun Aldis	Simon Bamfield/Ian Gardner (WHM)	28 September 2023	20 September 2023	Competed
West Midlands Local Transport Plan Status	Panel received a report last year and asked them to come back in the future.	John Roseblade	Alex Greatholder/Marianne Page (TfWM)	28 September 2023	20 September 2023	Completed

Wolverhampton Homes Customer Engagement Strategy - briefing	At Chair's request.	John Roseblade	Shaun Aldis/ Julie Haydon	28 September 2023	20 September 2023	Completed
Climate Change 2028	Chair requested.	David Pattison	Perminder Balu/Oliver Thomas	19 October 2023	11 October 2023	Completed
Fly Tipping	Member requested at Scrutiny Board.	John Roseblade	Steve Woodward	19 October 2023	11 October 2023	Completed
Community Safety Police Session 1	Panel requested more items on the police after a previous successful meeting with the Police.	John Denley	Supt Martin Hurcomb  – West Midlands Police and Simon Foster, West Midlands Police and Crime Commissioner	16 November 2023	8 November 2023	Completed
Budget and Performance Update	Standard item received each year.	John Roseblade	Luke Dabin-Williams Raeesa Mohammed James Amphlett	16 November 2023	8 November 2023	Completed
Combatting Anti- Social Behaviour	Item ties in with the Police and Community collaboration theme and enables Panel full overview with a partnership approach	John Denley	<ul> <li>Supt Martin         Hurcomb – West         Midlands Police</li> <li>Simon Foster,         West Midlands         Police and Crime         Commissioner</li> </ul>	22 February 2024	14 February 2024	Programmed

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			<ul> <li>Wolverhampton         Homes – Angela         Barnes</li> <li>Steve Woodward-         Head of         Environmental         Services</li> </ul>			
Update on West Midlands Local Transport Plan	At the request of the panel.	John Roseblade	Alex Greatholder/Marianne Page (TfWM)	7 March 2024	28 February 2024	Programmed
Update Wolverhampton Homes Customer Engagement Strategy	At the request of the Panel.	John Roseblade	Shaun Aldis/ Julie Haydon	7 March 2024	28 February 2024	Programmed
Climate Change Wider Programme	At Chair's request.	David Pattison	Perminder Balu/Oliver Thomas	7 March 2024	28 February 2024	Programmed

#### To be scheduled

- Aids and Adaptations concern about delays in assessments possible joint work with Adults Scrutiny Panel
- One Public Estates Project Ballal Raza Regeneration Programme Manager
- City Centre Public Space Protection Order Proposals (Findings from Consultation)
- Improvement of Housing Standards through Licensing update on progress report to be presented 11.7.24 William Humphries
- Community Safety Strategy Consultation final Hannah Pawley

# **Adults Scrutiny Panel**

Chair: Councillor Val Evans

**Vice Chair:** Councillor Christopher Haynes **Scrutiny Support:** Earl Piggott-Smith

#### **Remit, Function and Measures**

- Ensuring the health and care reform agenda is delivered for people in Wolverhampton
- Protecting vulnerable people at risk of harm and exploitation
- Services for older and vulnerable adults
- · Local safeguarding arrangements for adults
- Support the Health and Social Care system to respond to and recover from Covid-19
- Maximise independence for people with care and support needs
- Work as a system to make sure that people get the right support at the right time
- % 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

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
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4 July Meeting Postponed	N/A	N/A	N/A	4 July 2023	26 June 2023	Agenda Sent Postponed
Post Covid Position – update briefing	Update on current position	Becky Wilkinson	Becky Wilkinson	17 October 2023	9 October 2023	Completed

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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 2023-2024.	Becky Wilkinson	Jennifer Rogers	17 October 2023	9 October 2023	Completed
Adult Social Care Winter Planning 2023-24	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda.	Becky Wilkinson and Health Partners	Becky Wilkinson and Sian Thomas, Paul Tulley and Rachel Murphy	17 October 2023	9 October 2023	Completed
CQC Assurance Preparation	Presentation on CQC readiness and assurance for comment	Becky Wilkinson	Meena Dulai	20 November 2023	10 November 2023	Completed
Our Commitment to All Age Carers Update on Progress	Request from the panel to provide an update on progress. Carers to be invited to present	Becky Wilkinson	Sandra Ashton Jones	20 November 2023	10 November 2023	Completed

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Adult Social	This is an annual	Becky Wilkinson	Courtney Abbott	20 November	10 November	Completed
Worker and	report that			2023	2023	
Workforce Health	presented to the					
Check Surveys	panel for					
2022 - update on	discussion and					
actions	comment.					
Budget and	Request from	Becky Wilkinson	James Amphlett,	5 December	27 November	Completed
Performance	Director to add this			2023	2023	
Update	item to the agenda.		Lindsey Cowan			
			James Barlow			
Transforming Adults Service Programme Annual Report 2022-2023	Requested from the Directorate.	Becky Wilkinson	Emma Deakin	5 December 2023	27 November 2023	Completed
Care and Support Provider Fee Review 2024/25 - pre- decision scrutiny	This is an annual report that presented to the panel for discussion and comment.	tbc	Andrew Wolverson	20 February 2024	12 February 2024	Programmed
Quality	Requested from	tbc	Andrew	20 February	12 February	Programmed
Assurance	the Directorate.		Wolverson	2024	2024	
Framework and						
Suspension						
Policy 2024 –						
2034						
Adult Services	This is an annual	tbc	Courtney Abbott	19 March 2024	11 March 2024	Drogrammed
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Social Work and	report that presented to the					
Wider Workforce	•					
	panel for					

Health Check Survey.	discussion and comment.					
Adult Social Care Position Statement – Review of the Year	CQC Quality Transformation	tbc	Andrew Wolverson	19 March 2024	11 March 2024	Programmed

Chair and Vice Chair to meet with CQC Inspectors – date tbc – Andrew Wolverson - <a href="https://www.cqc.org.uk/local-systems/local-authorities/introducing-assessments">https://www.cqc.org.uk/local-systems/local-authorities/introducing-assessments</a> (Assessing how local authorities meet their Care Act duties is a new responsibility for CQC)

## **Children and Young People Scrutiny Panel**

Chair: Councillor Qaiser Azeem

Vice Chair: Councillor Stephanie Haynes Scrutiny Support: Earl Piggott-Smith

#### **Remit, Function and Measures**

### The scrutiny of:

- Provision of all local authority services for children and young people including education, early intervention and prevention, social care, special needs and commissioned services.
- Children's safeguarding including child exploitation.
- 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
- % 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 per 10,000 population
- 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
- % of EHC plans issued within 20 weeks

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
Wolverhampton Children and Young People's Self-Evaluation 2023-24	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment.	Emma Bennett	Alison Hinds	27 July 2023	19.7.23	Completed
Principal Social Worker Annual Report 2022 - 2023	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for comment.	Emma Bennett	Jennifer Rogers	27 July 2023	19.7.23	Completed
Education, Skills and Employment Strategy – <i>Pre-</i> Decision Scrutiny	At the request of the Director, agreed by the Chair	Emma Bennett	Laura Collings	27 July 2023	19.7.23	Completed
SEND Written Statement of	This will be a verbal update on the findings from	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Completed

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Action - DFE/NHS monitoring meeting - update	the DFE/NHS monitoring visit on 6 July 2023 and update from Cross Party Scrutiny Review Group - Written Statement of Action					
Childcare Sufficiency Assessment	This is an annual report that is presented to the panel for information and comment.	Alison Hinds	Phil Leivers	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Completed
WST Exploitation Thematic Review	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Andrew Wolverson	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Completed
WST Knife Crime Thematic Review	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Andrew Wolverson	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Completed
Semi-supported accommodation registration and children's homes not registered with Ofsted update	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Jazmine Walker/ Alison Hinds	4 October 2023	26 September 2023	Deferred
Budget and Performance Update	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda.	Alison Hinds/Brenda Wile	James Barlow Amanda Sherrard James Amphlett	22 November 2023	14 November 2023	Completed

Transforming Childrens Services Programme Annual Report 2022 - 2023 Families First for Children Pathfinder	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda  Request from Director to add this item to the	Alison Hinds  Alison Hinds	Emma Deakin  Rachel King	22 November 2023 22 November 2023	14 November 2023 14 November 2023	Completed
Programme Family Hubs and Start for Life Offer Programme – to be circulated for information only prior to meeting	agenda The panel requested an update on plans to establish the programme and to review progress.	Alison Hinds	Alison Hinds	22 November 2023	14 November 2023	Completed
Virtual School Head Annual Report 2023	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Brenda Wile	Darren Martindale, Virtual School Head	31 January 2024	23 January 2023	Agenda Sent
School Exclusion and Suspension - update on local data including plans to further reduce the number of school exclusions a	The panel requested on update on plans to reduce the number of school exclusions and suspensions.	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile /Jameel Mullan	31 January 2024	23 January 2023	Agenda Sent
Education Excellence:	The panel requested an	Alison Hinds	Phil Leivers	31 January 2024	23 January 2024	Agenda Sent

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Update and monitoring	update on progress following the presentation of a previous report draft in January 2023.					
SEND and Inclusion Strategy (predecision scrutiny)	At the request of the SEB lead	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile	31 January 2024	23 January 2024	Agenda Sent
Wolverhampton Children and Young People's Self-Evaluation	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda	Alison Hinds	Helen Bakewell, Head of Inclusion & Empowerment	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	Programmed
Childrens Services Social Work and Wider Workforce Health Check Survey	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.	Alison Hinds	Courtney Abbott /Jennifer Rogers	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	Programmed
School Place Sufficiency Strategy	To report on the plan following request from the Chair.	Alison Hinds	Brenda Wile / Bill Hague	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	Programmed

School Appeals	Panel requested	David Pattison	Laura Gittos /	13 March 2024	5 March 2024	Programmed
	a progress report		Jaswinder Kaur			
	on actions.					

#### To be scheduled

- Children's Oral Health 2024 special meeting (tbc)
- Wolverhampton Holiday Activities and Food Programme Annual Report 2022/2023 report shared with panel 26.1.24
- Proposed visit to new Childrens Residential Care Homes (2024 tbc) Alison Hinds
- Proposed visit to Family Hub network (2024 tbc) Alison Hinds
- Education, Skills and Employment Strategy update July 2024

## **Resources and Equality Scrutiny Panel**

Chair: Councillor John Reynolds Vice Chair: Councillor Sohail Khan Scrutiny Support: Lee Booker

### **Remit, Function and Measures**

The scrutiny of organisation and performance of the human, financial, technical and material resources to support the delivery of Council services.

- Measuring Success
- Our City Our Plan Our Council Programme
- Our Assets
- Our Data
- Our Digital
- Our Money Including Reserves
- Our People
- Our City: Our Plan PRIDE values

- Wolverhampton Pound
- Gender pay gap of council employees
- Ethnicity pay gap of council employees
- Customer Service call wait times
- Sickness absence rates
- Employee turnover rate
- Spend with local businesses
- Overall, how well informed do you think your council keeps residents about the services and benefits it provides? (LGA Resident Satisfaction Survey)

Item	Description	SEB Lead	Officer Report/Author Lead	Date of Meeting	Publication Date	Status
EDI strategy - Equalities Impact Assessments	Standing item  How the Council evaluates Equalities implications on projects and policy.	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	08 June 2023	31 May 2023	Completed
Land and Property Disposal Annual Report	Presentation on the handling of Asset Disposals	Claire Nye	Julia Nock	08 June 2023	31 May 2023	Completed
Treasury Management Activity Monitoring Quarter Three 2022-2023	A quarterly report	Claire Nye	Allison Shannon	08 June 2023	31 May 2023	Completed

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EDI strategy Progress against Objectives	Our People, Adult, Children, Education and People. EDI Performance and KPIs	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	12 October 2023	4 October 2023	Completed
Race at Work Charter & Pay Gap Reporting	Presentation on progress with Race at Work Charter responsibilities	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	12 October 2023	4 October 2023	Completed
Treasury Management	For Information Only	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	12 October 2023	4 October 2023	Completed
Budget and Performance Update	Request from Director to add this item to the agenda – the report to include Our Council and Performance/Budget information.	David Pattison / Laura Phillips / Claire Nye	Alison Shannon Steve Morgan James Amphlett	7 December 2023	29 November 2023	Completed
Reserves	To discuss the Council's Reserves	Claire Nye	Alison Shannon	7 December 2023	29 November 2023	Completed
Treasury Management Strategy 2024- 2025 report	pre-decision scrutiny  – this is an annual report.	Claire Nye	Allison Shannon	7 December 2023	29 November 2023	Completed
Digital Wolves Strategy Update (paper)	This is an update to the report presented in February 2023 aimed at maximising the benefit of digital to residents and businesses in the city.	Charlotte Johns	Heather Clark	1 February 2024	24 January 2024	Agenda Sent

Strategic Asset	Pre-Decision -	Richard	Julia Nock	1 February 2024	24 January 2024	Agenda Sent
Plan 2024-2029	Extended briefing as requested by the Chair to discuss Asset Disposal Strategy	Lawrence				
EDI strategy Progress against Objectives	Standing item Progress	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	12 March 2024	4 March 2024	Programmed
Contract Management and Procurement Report	this reports updates previous report that was presented to the panel in October 2022.	James Howse	John Thompson	12 March 2024	4 March 2024	Programmed
Gender Pay Gap review	Standing item	David Pattison	Jin Takhar	12 March 2024	4 March 2024	Programmed
Customer Service Strategy	Request from panel on update on changes to the strategy following a presentation in October 2022.	Charlotte Johns	Lamour Gayle	12 March 2024	4 March 2024	Programmed
LGA Resident Satisfaction Polling	The panel requested a report on the findings.	Charlotte Johns	Lamour Gayle	12 March 2024	4 March 2024	Programmed

To be scheduled – Yoo Recruit! Item