

**Committee Name: Cabinet** 

Committee Date: 07/07/2021

Report Title: Scrutiny committee report to Cabinet

Portfolio:	Cllr Kendrick, resources	
Report from:	Chief executive/Executive Director	
Wards:	All wards	
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# **Purpose**

The purpose of this report is to ask cabinet to note the formation of a scrutiny select committee.

#### Recommendation

To note the recommendations made at the meeting of scrutiny.

# **Policy Framework**

The Council has three corporate priorities, which are:

- People living well
- Great neighbourhoods, housing and environment
- Inclusive economy

This report meets all the corporate priorities

This report addresses all the strategic actions in the Corporate Plan

This report helps to meet all adopted policies of the Council

This report helps to meet all the objectives of the COVID-19 Recovery Plan

# Developing a work programme for the scrutiny committee

- 1. When the scrutiny committee considers which items to include on the work programme, it is useful to do so in the context of what the focus is for the council over the coming year and to look at how activity aligns to the council's corporate plan, policies and the COVID-19 recovery plan.
- 2. At the May meeting due to ongoing work around the forward plan for cabinet and potentially getting some input from directorates on upcoming pieces of work that the scrutiny committee might wish to consider, the committee agreed to set the topic for June and July only. The topic for June is 'flytipping, communal bins and bins left on pavements' and the July topic is 'air pollution from woodburning'. An additional work programming meeting has been set for 9 September to consider topics for the rest of the civic year.
- It was agreed to hold an additional meeting of scrutiny on 4 November 2021 to scrutinise the business plans of Norwich City Services Ltd and Norwich Regeneration Limited.
- 4. At the meeting of scrutiny on 24 June it was resolved to;
  - convene a select committee on fly-tipping and communal bins comprised of three Labour members, one Green Party member and one Liberal Democrat member.
- 5. Members discussed various points that the select committee may wish to focus on but the final terms of reference would be for the select committee to decide. Discussion included:
  - Looking at good practise in other councils
  - The interface between Norwich City Services Ltd, Biffa and Norwich City Council
  - Looking at data on the costs of fly tipping
  - The siting of communal waste bins
  - Enforcement issues around the abuse of communal bins
  - Looking at factors that have led to the increase in fly tipping in recent vears
  - Utilising technology, including the use of apps.

### Consultation

6. Ward councillors, portfolio holders, the public or other stakeholders have not been consulted (statutorily or otherwise). However the public are encouraged to submit topics for scrutiny via an interactive form on the council's website.

#### **Implications**

### **Financial and Resources**

- 7. Any decision to reduce or increase resources or alternatively increase income must be made within the context of the council's stated priorities, as set out in its Corporate Plan 2019-22 and Budget.
- 8. Any impact on resources resulting from this report will be accommodated within existing budgets or the relevant approvals will be sought if additional budget is required.

## Legal

9. There are no specific legal considerations at this stage.

# **Statutory Considerations**

Consideration:	Details of any implications and proposed measures to address:		
Equality and Diversity	None at this stage.		
Health, Social and Economic Impact	None at this stage.		
Crime and Disorder	None at this stage.		
Children and Adults Safeguarding	None at this stage.		
Environmental Impact	None at this stage.		

### **Risk Management**

Risk	Consequence	Controls Required
Include operational, financial, compliance, security, legal, political or reputational risks to the council	Not applicable.	

# **Other Options Considered**

10. There have been no other options considered for this report, as it is a factual report based on the outcome of committee meetings that have already taken place.

#### Reasons for the decision/recommendation

11. This report will allow cabinet to be informed of the recommendations from the scrutiny committee meeting held on 27 May and 24 June 2021.

# **Tracking Information**

Background papers: none

Appendices:

none

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