

Date of meeting Thursday, 10th September, 2026
Time 7.00 pm
Venue Astley Room - Castle
Contact Geoff Durham - 742222



**NEWCASTLE
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BOROUGH COUNCIL

Castle House
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Health, Wellbeing & Environment Scrutiny Committee

AGENDA

OPEN AGENDA

- 1 APOLOGIES**
- 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
- 3 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING** (Pages 3 - 6)
To consider the minutes of the last meeting of the Committee.
- 4 DISTRICT AND BOROUGH HEALTH SCRUTINY ACTIVITY** (Pages 7 - 10)
The minutes of Staffordshire County Council Health & Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee meetings can be viewed at the following address:
[Health & Care Overview & Scrutiny Committee - Staffordshire County Council](#)
- 5 WALLEYS QUARRY ODOUR UPDATE** (Pages 11 - 20)
- 6 LOCAL NATURE RECOVERY STRATEGY** (Pages 21 - 24)
- 7 DEPOSIT RETURN SCHEME & IMPACT ON LOCAL AUTHORITIES** (Pages 25 - 36)
- 8 WORK PROGRAMME** (Pages 37 - 38)
- 9 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME**
Any member of the public wishing to submit a question must serve two clear days' notice, in writing, of any such question to the Borough Council.
- 10 URGENT BUSINESS**
To consider any business which is urgent within the meaning of Section 100B (4) of the Local Government Act 1972.

11 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Members: Councillors Ashworth, Bailey, Casey-Hulme, Harrison, Heesom, Hutchison, Jellyman, Sparks, Stevenson (Chair), J Tagg and Westcott (Vice-Chair)

Members of the Council: If you identify any personal training/development requirements from any of the items included in this agenda or through issues raised during the meeting, please bring them to the attention of the Democratic Services Officer at the close of the meeting.

Meeting Quorum: The meeting quorum for Scrutiny Committees is 4 of the 11 members.

SUBSTITUTE MEMBER SCHEME (Section B5 – Rule 2 of Constitution)

The Constitution provides for the appointment of Substitute members to attend Committees. The named Substitutes for this meeting are listed below:

Substitute Members:

If you are unable to attend this meeting and wish to appoint a Substitute to attend on your place you need to identify a Substitute member from the list above who is able to attend on your behalf

Officers will be in attendance prior to the meeting for informal discussions on agenda items.

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