## Report of the Chair of the Economy, Environment and Place Scrutiny Committee

Since December 2020, the Economy, Environment and Place Scrutiny Committee has met twice.

11th March 2021 in which the committee scrutinised the decision to move to a standalone Borough Local Plan; reviewed the Sustainable Environmental Strategy and had updates on both Kidsgrove and Newcastle Town Deal Bid submissions as well as the Future High Street Fund update.

17th June 2021 in which the committee reviewed progress on the extra funding of £30k which has been available to the Arboricultural Dept over the last three years. They then went on to receive updates on the Kidsgrove and Newcastle Town Deal Bids and next stages of the Future High Street Fund spend.

Councillor Gary White Chair