

## SCRUTINY COMMITTEES CHAIR'S REPORTS

### Health, Wellbeing and Environment Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on 5 September 2022 and the following matters were considered:

- Police Commander and DCI John Owen gave an update on the new policing model. The new model included 10 local policing teams with one for the borough of Newcastle under Lyme with dedicated officers.
- The committee considered an update on the new recycling service following its introduction in 2020. The committee was advised that the new service had received positive feedback from residents; the streets looked tidier; tonnage volumes of recycling had increased and the overall volume of waste had decreased. The aims for the future were to increase separate food waste collections, enhance provision of services for residents living in flats and look at options for participation in recycling by commercial and business properties. The committee was also informed of the longer term implications of the Environment Act 2021.
- The committee considered the latest report to Cabinet on odour issues at Walleys Quarry.
- The committee considered the regular reports from the County Health and Care Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Police, Fire and Crime Panel and notes of a meeting with the Integrated Care Board.
- The Work Programme was discussed and Members proposed items for the next meeting on 28 November on the proposals by Tri-Services to set up a hub to support mental health, investment in the borough's tennis courts and the commemorations for the 850 anniversary of the borough.

Cllr Ian Wilkes  
Chair