

HEALTH, WELLBEING AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE



Work Programme 2024/25

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Cllr Gill Heesom – Community Safety and Well Being

Cllr Craig Skelding – Leisure, Culture and Heritage

Cllr David Hutchison – Sustainable Environment

This committee scrutinises policies, strategies and initiatives that are intended to improve health and wellbeing outcomes for the people who work and live in the borough. It scrutinises things such as leisure, open space and cultural provision, crime and antisocial behaviour, homelessness, health and other behaviours or environmental factors that affect health and well-being.

This Work Programme is set and reviewed at quarterly meetings of the Scrutiny Management Group. The Chair and Vice Chair also meet regularly with the Portfolio Holders to discuss this Work Programme. There is an opportunity for committee Members to discuss the Work Programme at each committee meeting. Part D of the Council's [Constitution](#) governs the scrutiny process.

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Planned Items

DATE OF MEETING	ITEM	NOTES
3 rd March 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Newcastle Fire Station Update and Performance• Walleys Quarry Update Report• Parks & Open Spaces Task & Finish Working Update• International House – review of operation post planning permission being granted• Newcastle Town Centre - Community Safety Partnership	Contact: Glynn Luznyj Officer: Nesta Barker Officer: Andrew Bird Officer: Gill Taylor Officer: Roger Tait
12 th June 2025	• [No items scheduled]	
15 th September 2025	• Review of the Animal Welfare Charter	Officer: Roger Tait
24 th November 2025	• Review of the Gambling Policy 2024	Officer: Nesta Barker

Future Items

An update on allotment waiting lists and availability will be provided in the year 2025-26
Progress to Net Zero and North Staffordshire Local Air Quality (formerly A53 bus gate) reports to be scheduled

Other Matters

Information on tennis provision – including maintenance of the facilities will be circulated by officers via email

Previous Items

DATE OF MEETING	ITEM	NOTES
25 th November 2024	• Walleys Quarry Odours Update	Officer: Nesta Barker

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • State of Parks across the Wards – open space, grassland and green infrastructure strategies including play equipment maintenance and repair as well as the opportunity for a Task & Finish working group • Tree Risk Management Strategy 	<p>Officer: Andrew Bird</p> <p>Officer: Andrew Bird</p>
16 th September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walleys Quarry Odours Update • Mobile Multi-Functional Team (MMF) - Scope and Purpose • Animal Welfare Strategy • Sustainable Environment Strategy Update 	<p>Officer: Nesta Barker</p> <p>Officer: Roger Tait</p> <p>Officer: Roger Tait</p> <p>Officer: Andrew Bird</p>
3 rd June 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walleys Quarry Odours Update • Youth Obesity - J2 Play Provisions • Chief Fire Officer Update 	<p>Officer: Nesta Barker</p> <p>Officer Jo Halliday</p> <p>Contact: Glynn Luznyj</p>

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