

Scrutiny Committee's Chairs' reports

Economy and Place Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on Thursday 19th June and received updates on the Newcastle-under-Lyme Borough Local Plan 2040 and the Town Deal and Future High Street Funds Update.

Members discussed and raised questions on both reports and the officers responded accordingly. The Committee will receive further updates when we meet at the September meeting and all recommendations were agreed as set out in the reports.

The committee also received the upcoming Work Programme and Members did not wish to add anything to it.

The Committee will meet again on Thursday 11th September.

Cllr Andrew Parker

Chair

Health, Wellbeing and Environment Scrutiny Committee

The Health, Wellbeing and Environment Committee met on 12th June.

The Committee received an update on the activities of the County Health Scrutiny Committee.

Following a request by the Committee, the Deputy Police Commander and a fellow Sgt. attended and gave a presentation detailing the actions being taken against illegal use of off-road vehicles on borough parks.

Councillors asked a range of questions about reporting, monitoring, and the police responses. The report was circulated to members of the committee.

The Committee heard an update on Walleys Quarry. Members discussed concerns raised around the next steps including the restoration of the site and the recovery of money owed to the council. A request was made of officers to ask for a public meeting with the EA to offer answers to resident's questions.

The future work programme was discussed including the report of the Parks Task and Finish Group.

Cllr Rupert Adcock

Chair

Finance, Assets and Performance Scrutiny Committee

The Committee met on 26 June to consider the financial and performance review report for the fourth quarter of 2024/25 and to receive an update on the Town Deals and Future High Streets funding. The Committee will meet again on 4 September.

Cllr Mark Holland
Chair