

ECONOMY AND PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE



Work Programme 2025-26

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This committee scrutinises how the council influences, affects and interacts with the natural and built environment. It also scrutinises how the council influences, affects and interacts with the local, regional and national economy.

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
19 th March 2026	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Local Plan UpdateTown Deal and Future High Street Fund	Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Simon McEneny

Future Items
Car Parking Strategy

Previous Items

DATE OF MEETING	ITEM	NOTES
15 June 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">HS2 – look ahead to the next 12 months on works impacting on the BoroughSustainable Environment Strategy, Action PlanFuture High Streets Fund update & Town Investment Plans for Newcastle and Kidsgrove – update on progressBorough Local PlanPolice presence in the town centre	
1 August 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Borough Local Plan Call-In	
1 September 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Recycling and Waste Services Update – Town Centre Impact	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme 	
12 December 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic management of the Town Centre • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme • 850 Commemorations • Local Plan timings and next steps 	
16 March 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strategic Management of the Town Centre/NUL BID • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme • Borough Local Plan • Housing Provision – set up Working Group 	
8 June 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HS2 Update • Borough Local Plan • Neighbourhood Planning • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme 	<p>Including consultation responses and housing numbers</p> <p>Including an update on York Place and the Multi-Storey Car Park</p>
12 June 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Reg 18 Call In – TBC 	Meeting date held for potential Reg 18 Call In
21 September 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme • Borough Local Plan • Report of the Housing Task and Finish Group 	
7 December 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning Enforcement & Performance • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme • Borough Local Plan 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Task & Finish Working Group Final Report 	
18 March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knutton Master Plan • Future High Streets Fund and Town Deals for Kidsgrove and Newcastle under Lyme • Borough Local Plan 	
20 th June 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund Update 	<p>Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Joanne Halliday</p>
11 th July 2024 Special meeting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation of Local Plan 	Officer: Allan Clarke
11 th September 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund 	<p>Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Simon McEneny</p>
9 th December 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund • Planning Enforcement and Performance 	
13 th March 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund • Update on NuL Business Improvement District 	<p>Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Simon McEneny Officer: Roger Tait</p>
19 th June 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund 	<p>Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Simon McEneny</p>
11 th September 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund • Civic Pride (Empowering our Communities) Strategy 	<p>Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Simon McEneny Officer: Roger Tait</p>
15 th December 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Local Plan Update • Town Deal and Future High Street Fund • Planning Enforcement and Performance 	<p>Officer: Allan Clarke Officer: Simon McEneny Officer: Craig Jordan</p>

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