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Notice of Meeting

Dear Member

Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Panel

The **Environment and Climate Change Scrutiny Panel** will meet in the **Council Chamber - Town Hall, Huddersfield** at **2.00 pm** on **Wednesday 29 January 2025**.

This meeting will be live webcast. To access the webcast please go to the Council's website at the time of the meeting and follow the instructions on the page.

The items which will be discussed are described in the agenda and there are reports attached which give more details.

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Samantha Lawton
Service Director – Legal, Governance and Commissioning

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The Panel members are:-

Member

Councillor Andrew Cooper (Chair)

Councillor David Longstaff

Councillor Will Simpson

Councillor John Taylor

Councillor Matthew McLoughlin

Councillor Susan Lee-Richards

Jane Emery (Co-Optee)

Garry Kitchin (Co-Optee)

Agenda

Reports or Explanatory Notes Attached

Pages

1: Membership of the Panel

To receive apologies for absence from those Members who are unable to attend the meeting.

2: Minutes of the Previous Meeting

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To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on the 20th November 2024.

3: Declaration of Interests

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Members will be asked to say if there are any items on the Agenda in which they have any disclosable pecuniary interests or any other interests, which may prevent them from participating in any discussion of the items or participating in any vote upon the items.

4: Admission of the Public

Most agenda items take place in public. This only changes where there is a need to consider exempt information, as contained at Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972. You will be informed at this point which items are to be recommended for exclusion and to be resolved by the Panel.

5: Deputations/Petitions

The Panel will receive any petitions and/or deputations from members of the public. A deputation is where up to five people can attend the meeting and make a presentation on some particular issue of concern. A member of the public can also submit a petition at the meeting relating to a matter on which the body has powers and responsibilities.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 10, Members of the

Public must submit a deputation in writing, at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting and shall subsequently be notified if the deputation shall be heard. A maximum of four deputations shall be heard at any one meeting.

6: Public Question Time

To receive any public questions.

In accordance with Council Procedure Rule 11, the period for the asking and answering of public questions shall not exceed 15 minutes.

Any questions must be submitted in writing at least three clear working days in advance of the meeting.

7: Highways Safety Update

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The Panel will consider an update on Highways Safety.

Contact:

Liz Cusick, Operational Manager, Highways Service
Phillip Waddington, Group Engineer, Highways Safety

8: Work Programme 24/25

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The Panel will consider its work programme for 2024-25.

Contact:

Jodie Harris, Principal Governance and Democratic Engagement
Officer

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Contact Officer: Jodie Harris

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ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY PANEL

Wednesday 20th November 2024

Present: Councillor Andrew Cooper (Chair)
Councillor David Longstaff
Councillor Will Simpson
Councillor John Taylor
Councillor Matthew McLoughlin
Councillor Susan Lee-Richards

Co-optees Garry Kitchin

In attendance: Councillor Munir Ahmed
Katherine Armitage, Service Director - Climate Change & Environmental Strategy
Mark Scarr, Head of Highways
Donna Hodgson, Operational Manager – Highways
Niel Sidhu, Complex Enforcement Manager

Apologies:

- 1 Membership of the Panel**
No apologies were received
- 2 Minutes of the Previous Meeting**
The Panel considered the Minutes of the meeting of the Panel held on 25th September 2024.
RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the previous meetings be approved.
- 3 Declaration of Interests**
No interests were declared
- 4 Admission of the Public**
All items were considered in the public session.
- 5 Deputations/Petitions**
No deputations or petitions were received.

6 Public Question Time

No public questions were received

7 Public Space Protection Orders

The Panel considered a report setting out an update on a revision to the Council's Public Space Protection Orders (PSPO's) and the introduction of a new PSPO which was presented by Niel Sidhu, Complex Enforcement Manager. During the update Niel Sidhu provided a presentation which outlined:

- What a PSPO was, their requirements, and the current PSPO's in place in Kirklees.
- The reasons for change which were; to meet the needs of Partners, i.e. Police and internal stakeholders, to make sure the current PSPOs were fit for purpose, to be in-line with other authorities and good practice and to introduce new PSPOs for emerging and current issues.
- The proposals to introduce new PSPO's which included; (i) a Bird Feeding and loitering PSPO (ii) a 'Use of Temporary Structures Without the Landowner's Permission' PSPO and (iii) a Causing Nuisance, Alarm, Distress To Vacate Town Centre For 24 Hours.
- Further amendments in the proposals which included; (i) Amalgamating the Dog PSPO's Into One and (ii) Extending the vehicle, nuisance & drugs or other banned substances PSPO across the authority.
- The details and outcomes of the consultation which took place from 09th July to 06th August 2024 and received a total of 371 responses, with most of the responses being positive.

In the discussion to follow the Panel raised the following questions and comments:

- In response to concerns raised by the Panel in relation to how the 'Use of Temporary Structures Without the Landowner's Permission' PSPO' may be perceived to be targeting the homeless population, the Panel were reassured that the PSPO was being introduced to be used in several situations such as the placing of an events gazebo without the landowners permission for example. PSPO's were not aimed at targeting the homeless population, but were tools that could be used where other interventions and steps had been taken first. Unfortunately, some people the entering town centre were afraid due to street drinking etc... and it was important to balance the need for resident safety and feeling safe alongside supporting homelessness and those at risk. Kirklees was working closely with local homeless charities, food banks and in collaboration with the Rough Sleepers Initiative to make sure the most vulnerable were supported, safe and educated around any new town centre policies. The Panel noted the response and recommended that it be communicated more clearly in the report that PSPO's were not aimed at targeting the homeless population or those most at risk.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the planned location of signage to inform the public about the new policies it was advised that signage would be either size A4 or A3 and would be village specific in a

visible central area, or for example, signage relating to the vehicle usage PSPO would be placed at all major entrance to Kirklees.

- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the number of fixed penalty notices issued and the success rate of recovery it was agreed that the Panel be provided with these statistics and the information would be discussed in more detail under the Enforcement item to be presented to the Panel in informal session.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to whether the number of officers (2) was sufficient to enforce the PSPO's, it was advised that the enforcement of the orders was supported by the neighbourhood policing team as well as partners such as Huddersfield Bid. There were also plans to extend the information to all Council staff.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the Consultation and ensuring that this was representative of Kirklees, it was advised that the number of responses (371) was good, and the Panel were reassured that most of the feedback given was positive.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the definition of 'nuisance,' the Panel were reassured that the PSPO was not aimed at stopping political activism or create a subversive environment, and any action taken was at the discretion of the Enforcement Officers who had been trained extensively to do so based on the individual situation. More serious incidents would be dealt with via a formal enforcement route, with checks and balances within the procedure, such as referral of a decision to a senior officer and an appeals process. However, the majority of enforcement could be managed through informal conversation whereby Enforcement Officers start by asking an individual to do something different as the first step.
- In response to concerns from the Panel in relation to the safety of Enforcement Officers, the Panel were reassured that the PSPO's were a set of by-laws aimed at enforcing low level anti-social behaviour and any significant disorder would be the remit of the police to manage under existing powers. The police had been involved in the process and work had been undertaken with each partner to ensure responsibilities were clear.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the Nuisance Vehicles PSPO, it was confirmed that all public land would be covered and in terms of protecting the Moorlands it was advised as national trust land this could be enforced but in addition to this the PSPO brought extra protection as the connecting routes taken to get to the Moorlands would be enforceable. In relation to support from the police, it was advised that the approach would be intelligence led mostly by police and safer Kirklees colleagues taking an investigative approach.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the Feeding birds or vermin PSPO, it was noted that though some people may find pleasure in feeding birds it was highlighted that the feed attracted vermin which became problematic.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to seeking to extend and share enforcement powers with partners and if those organisations had the resources to support this, it was advised that this was an information gathering exercise initially and the appropriate training would be provided to those taking up.

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- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the potential displacement of issues following the implementation of a PSPO it was advised that there were plans to review displacement following the implementation of a PSPO and problems would be addressed after this period of monitoring. The Panel welcomed the response and recommended that this process be included in the report.
- In response to the Panels comments around the inclusion more information in the report with regards to the wider approach to supporting vulnerable people I the town centre it was agreed that the support element of Public Space Protection Orders be emphasised in the report as well as enforcement.

RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report 'Public Space Protection Orders' and it was recommended that:

- (1) Statistics be provided to the Panel that showed the number of Fixed Penalty Notices issued and the success rate of recovery.
- (2) A discussion around the enforcement of fixed penalty notices and the statistics provided be included as part of an informal update to the Panel.
- (3) It be made clearer in the report that the 'Use of Temporary Structures Without the Landowner's Permission' Public Space Protection Order isn't aimed at targeting homelessness in Kirklees.
- (4) The monitoring and review process to target the potential displacement of issues following the implementation of a Public Space Protection Order be included in the report.
- (5) The support element of Public Space Protection Orders be emphasised in the report as well as enforcement.

8 Proposed Kirklees Lane Rental Scheme

The Panel considered a report on the proposed Kirklees Lane Rental Scheme.

Donna Hodgson, Operational Manager – Highways and Street Scene presented the report and highlighted an amendment to the proposed date for consideration at Cabinet due to national technical challenges to the Department of Transport (DfT). The report could not be taken to cabinet for decision until the issue was resolved nationally, which would most like be in January or February 2025.

The Panel noted the amendment to the report and Donna Hodgson gave a presentation for the Panel's consideration which outlined:

- The role of the Highways Team, which was to keep people moving on the highway,
- What a Lane Rental Scheme was and the added value:
 - The Lane Rental Scheme aimed to give Councils have a greater influence over the highway network, creating benefits such as a safer highway network for all users, the management of when road works took place (i.e. – out of peak hours) better air quality, regional and local economic benefits and the provision for surplus funds to be required to be spent on highways transport initiatives.

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- The Lane Rental Scheme application process, and the requirement for the Government to approve a Statutory Instrument prior to implementation via an authorisation process.
- The potential revenue and uses, noting that any surplus rental can not be used to replace revenue funding in other parts of the Highways Service.
- The risk, opportunities and the next steps for the proposed Lane Rental Scheme, including the commencement of the statutory consultation within the next few weeks, to be followed by obtaining Council approval to make a submission to the DfT prior to March 2025 (provisionally).

In the discussion to follow the Panel raised the following questions and comments:

- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to which roads would be considered critical routes, it was advised that sections of the network were selected by a certain criterion. Some of these criteria may overlap with the traffic sensitive streets network or critical routes network (i.e. 500 cars within 1 hour or 8 or more bus services in an hour) The Panel noted the response and recommended that this information be shared with the wider Council so members could understand the selection basis. The Panel also welcomed the scope for flexibility on the street sensitive network and welcomed the scheme.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to quality checks and if the cost recovery model could ensure that utilities works were carried at properly it was advised that existing permit fees were fixed by the DfT, and that fee was for the permit not the inspection. Inspections needed to be fair and equitable and were carried out on a quarterly basis. A sampling process was used, and if works promoters passed sampling inspections the percentage for inspection reduced but if they failed on a quarterly inspection, then this would increase. This approach as regulated in code of practice across the country and inspection results were shared on a national platform, however, if a particular issue was directly reported the council would inspect.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the potential risk of streets covered by Lane Rental being prioritised it was advised that this may be managed by the permit scheme and a requirement to comply with the conditions of that permit. There was also a mechanism to charge if works over ran.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the restrictions around surplus revenue, it was advised that the policy had been written so that any works that added value to assets, or was for road safety reasons or active travel there would be measures to reduce or waive fees. However, works to gas or water mains would not be subject to waiver or reduction. A draft policy had been written and once agreed was going to go to full statutory consultation.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the use of surplus revenue on Active Travel initiatives and contributing to the Councils vision 0, it was further highlighted that the purpose of the scheme wasn't to generate income and that the aim was good compliance with Lane Rental which would mean no income. However, where there were surplus funds, each case needed to be considered by merit and strong governance arrangements were required to support the decision making. To use the funds, a project proposal

would need to be put to the Board to agree investment in the active travel project.

- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to managing the times when works took place and the consideration of different stakeholders, it was advised that this was taken into consideration with all current permits, i.e.- if someone wanted to work outside a florists on valentines day, this wouldn't be approved. Work promoters were encouraged to speak to businesses and engage around reducing the impact of any works to all key stakeholders.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to learning, it was advised that a specialist consultant had been engaged early in the process to implement learning from outset.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the Governance arrangements it was advised that there were 9 people on Board, including x 1 Independent Chair, and x4 Board members who Highways were representatives and x 4Board members who were representative of utilities companies.

RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report '**Proposed Lane Rental Scheme**' and recommended that:

1. The selection process for which streets will be put forward for the Lane Rental Scheme be communicated clearly with all members of the Council.

9 **Proposed Revision to Statement of Licensing Policy 2025 - 2030 and Cumulative Impact Assessment**

The Panel considered a report on the Proposed Revision to Statement of Licensing Policy 2025 – 2030 and the Cumulative Impact Assessment. Fiona Goldsmith, Group Leader – Licensing presented the report by giving a presentation which outlined:

- The background and the Statutory Requirement; noting that the Last policy review occurred in 2019 and was adopted in January 2020 the Licensing Authority must prepare and publish a Statement of Licensing Policy every five years
- The Purpose, which was to guide the licensing process and ensure the promotion of the following four licensing objectives:
 - Prevention of Crime and Disorder
 - Prevention of Public Nuisance
 - Public Safety
 - Protection of Children from Harm
- The key changes and additions which included:
 - Updated Sections: Reflected amendments to the Secretary of State Guidance (December 2023).
 - New Sections: Section 8 (Alcohol Toolkit), Section 14 (Spiking Prevention), Section 15 (Sustainable Event Management) Section 16 (Martyn's Law), Section 17 (Safer Night-time Economy).
- The background of the Cumulative Impact Assessment including:

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- **Cumulative Impact:** Potential impact on the promotion of licensing objectives due to a significant number of licensed premises concentrated in one area.
- **Legislation:** Section 5A of the Licensing Act 2003 allows for the publication of a cumulative impact assessment in appropriate circumstances.
- **Evidence based:** Must be supported by evidence.
- The Cumulative Impact Areas, which related to both Huddersfield and Dewsbury Town centres specifically in relation to alcohol licensed premises with off sales only.
- The Application process, noting that applications will be considered by way of member hearings if an application for a new grant/variation was in receipt of valid representations.
- The Consultation process, noting that pre-consultation engagement took place for both the Licensing Act 2003 Statement of Licensing Policy and Cumulative Impact Assessment. Both formal consultations were ran concurrently between 18th July 2024 and 11th September 2024 in accordance with the requirements set out in Licensing Act 2003.
- The implementation and the next steps which were; on 18th December 2024 the Licensing and Safety Committee were to review and endorse the revised policy and referred to Full Council 15th January 2025 for adoption.

In the discussion to follow the Panel raised the following questions and comments:

- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the risks of potential displacement, it was advised that this will be monitored and reviewed if needed.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to the where issues were most prominent, it was advised that the evidence base showed that there were specific areas where there were problems but there were no standout premises. In the event that there was a standout premise, enforcement and closure were not the first steps in this process and time was spent liaising with premises prior to the formal route to support improvement.
- In response to a question from the Panel in relation to sustainable event management it was advised that event holders should encourage people attending events to do in more sustainable ways i.e.- via means of active travel, and by providing sustainable food/drinks containers etc... Events holders should also be encouraged to make use of more innovative sustainable technology such as using use of energy generated from people dancing to power the venue.

RESOLVED: The Panel supported and welcomed the report Proposed Revision to Statement of Licensing Policy 2025 – 2030 and the Cumulative Impact Assessment.

10 Work Programme 2024-25

The Panel reviewed its Work Programme for the 2024/25 municipal year.

RESOLVED: The Panel noted the Work Programme and it was agreed that to confirm the frequency of when scrutiny should review flood risk.

KIRKLEES COUNCIL

COUNCIL/CABINET/COMMITTEE MEETINGS ETC

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Environment & Climate Change Scrutiny Panel

Name of Councillor

Item in which you have an interest	Type of interest (eg a disclosable pecuniary interest or an "Other Interest")	Does the nature of the interest require you to withdraw from the meeting while the item in which you have an interest is under consideration? [Y/N]	Brief description of your interest

Signed:

Dated:

NOTES

Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

If you have any of the following pecuniary interests, they are your disclosable pecuniary interests under the new national rules. Any reference to spouse or civil partner includes any person with whom you are living as husband or wife, or as if they were your civil partner.

Any employment, office, trade, profession or vocation carried on for profit or gain, which you, or your spouse or civil partner, undertakes.

Any payment or provision of any other financial benefit (other than from your council or authority) made or provided within the relevant period in respect of any expenses incurred by you in carrying out duties as a member, or towards your election expenses.

Any contract which is made between you, or your spouse or your civil partner (or a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest) and your council or authority -

- under which goods or services are to be provided or works are to be executed; and
- which has not been fully discharged.

Any beneficial interest in land which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, have and which is within the area of your council or authority.

Any licence (alone or jointly with others) which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, holds to occupy land in the area of your council or authority for a month or longer.

Any tenancy where (to your knowledge) - the landlord is your council or authority; and the tenant is a body in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest.

Any beneficial interest which you, or your spouse or your civil partner has in securities of a body where -

(a) that body (to your knowledge) has a place of business or land in the area of your council or authority; and

(b) either -

the total nominal value of the securities exceeds £25,000 or one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that body; or

if the share capital of that body is of more than one class, the total nominal value of the shares of any one class in which you, or your spouse or your civil partner, has a beneficial interest exceeds one hundredth of the total issued share capital of that class.



REPORT TITLE: Highways Safety Update

Meeting:	E & CC Scrutiny
Date:	29 January 2025
Cabinet Member (if applicable)	Cllr Munir Ahmed / Cllr Moses Crook
Key Decision Eligible for Call In	No No – Information report
Purpose of Report – To update Scrutiny on the continuing work in Kirklees Highways Safety team and approach to West Yorkshire’s Vision Zero ambition	
<p>Recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> That the contents of this report and accompanying presentation be noted. <p>Reasons for Recommendations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutiny requests an annual update on the work being done by Kirklees Highways Safety, a position statement on Killed and Seriously Injured (KSI’s) collisions across our District, and progress towards reducing both those collisions and the resulting casualties. 	
<p>Resource Implications:</p> <p>There is no resource implication attached to the content of this report over and above that currently allocated across the Council and its Partners</p>	
<p>Date signed off by <u>Executive Director</u> & name</p> <p>Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Finance?</p> <p>Is it also signed off by the Service Director for Legal and Commissioning (Monitoring Officer)?</p>	<p>Service Director Katherine Armitage – Date 20/01/2025</p> <p>Executive Director David Sheperd – 21/01/2025</p> <p>NA</p> <p>NA</p>

Electoral wards affected: All

Ward councillors consulted: None

Public or private: Public

Has GDPR been considered? NA

1. Executive Summary

Scrutiny is to be briefed on:

- West Yorkshire Vision Zero Strategy, launched August 2024
- Kirklees Vision Zero approach
- West Yorkshire and Kirklees collision data 2023
- Provisional Kirklees collision data 2024
- Kirklees Highways Safety deliverables
- Kirklees Highways Safety Strategy

2. Information required to take a decision

- 2.1 West Yorkshire Combined Authority launched its Vision Zero Strategy 2024 – 2027, at a Vision Zero event, hosted in Bradford, on 13 Aug 2024, at which all 5 Districts were present, to show case the work undertaken at a District level, to promote safer roads.
- 2.2 In line with the national and international ambition for Vision Zero, our West Yorkshire Strategy aims to reduce to zero the number of people killed and seriously injured on our highway network, by 2040
- 2.3 To achieve those ambitious targets requires a collaborative approach and recognition that road safety is the responsibility of every road user.
- 2.4 Vision Zero works on a safe systems approach, with 5 key themes:
 - Safe Roads
 - Safe Behaviours
 - Safe Speeds
 - Safe Vehicles
 - Post Collision response

And as such responsibility for achieving this ambition is shared across those who design, build, manage and use roads, those involved in education and wellbeing as well and those who provide post-crash care.

- 2.5 Kirklees Council is preparing to launch its Kirklees Strategic Vision Zero Group, comprising of both internal teams and local representatives of external partners.
- 2.6 This group will provide strategic direction, leadership and governance to those within Kirklees who can influence and / or impact road collision prevention in our District.
- 2.7 KSI data for 2023 recorded 1450 collision across West Yorkshire and of those 229 were in Kirklees. The straight-line trajectory for achieving Vision Zero by 2040 required the number of collisions for Kirklees to be 220.
- 2.8 By investing in focused and data led engineering and educational schemes and other related initiatives, the provisional data for Kirklees shows that number of collisions has reduced from 229 in 2023, to 184 in 2024. The Vision Zero target trajectory is 204 – suggesting our approach is successfully bring collisions down – we now need to build on and maintain that downward trend.
- 2.9 The Highways Safety Strategy builds on the best practise the team have adopted and sets out the direction of travel, for Kirklees Highways Safety, on its contribution to the Kirklees Vision Zero journey.
- 2.10 It is important to recognise that an unsafe, or perceived unsafe road system is a barrier to active travel. So, supporting our journey towards, and ultimately achieving, Vision Zero, and improving road safety, will encourage active travel. This in turn, will assist the council in improving public health, by increased physical activity and creating a cleaner air environment.

3. Implications for the Council

3.1 **Council Plan** – The context and content of the Highways Safety Strategy and the Vision Zero ambition for Kirklees acknowledges and aligns with the Council plan and its Shared Outcomes

3.2 Financial Implications

There are no further financial implications to the Council, than those within current Council agreed budgets.

There may be opportunities to secure external funding for future workstreams and initiatives, which will all be considered within the Councils future budgets, and in line with relevant Financial Procedure Rules.

3.3 Legal Implications

N/A

3.8 Other (eg Risk, Integrated Impact Assessment or Human Resources)

There will be a need for identified teams across the Council, to provide a representative to be part of Kirklees Strategic Vision Zero Group. Attendance at the Group meetings should sit comfortably with each representative's service ambitions, which are either directly, or indirectly link with road safety.

4. Consultation

NA

5. Engagement

NA

6. Options

NA

6.1 Options considered

NA

6.2 Reasons for recommended option

NA

7. Next steps and timelines

Presentation to Scrutiny Panel 29th January 2025

8. Contact officer

Liz Cusick, Operational Manager, Highways Service
Phillip Waddington, Group Engineer, Highways Safety

9. Background Papers and History of Decisions

NA

10. Appendices

NA

11. Service Director responsible

Katherine Armitage

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ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY PANEL

Work programme 2024/2025

Members: Cllr Andrew Cooper (Chair), Cllr David Longstaff, Cllr Susan Lee-Richards, Cllr Will Simpson, Cllr John Taylor, Cllr Matthew McLoughlin, Jane Emery (Co-Optee), Garry Kitchen (Co-Optee)

FULL PANEL DISCUSSION		
THEME/ISSUE	APPROACH / AREAS OF FOCUS	OUTCOMES / ACTIONS
Cleansing Performance Update	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 14th August 2024</u></p> <p>A report setting out an update on progress to address issues raised by Panel Members around waste collection.</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report Cleansing Performance Update and recommended that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thanks be given to the ward councillors involved for their support to the council and the public around missed collections. 2. When re-routing the South Councillors should be made aware of changes in advance to help support the dialogue with residents. 3. Learning should be taken from the best performers in waste collection across all Local Authorities. 4. The possibility of a joint tender for narrow track vehicles be investigated with neighbouring local authorities. 5. A heat map be used to monitor performance and track missed collections by area. 6. An update be presented to the Panel on the steps taken to reduce contamination. 7. Opportunities for Education for the Student population be explored (i.e.- Freshers Fairs) and working with

		<p>students agencies to best support their management of household waste.</p> <p>8. Opportunities for engagement around the introduction of Food Waste Collection be explored through liaising with the Local Government Association.</p> <p>9. A communications/education campaign be used to show the journey of a recycled item from bin to reuse demonstrating to the individual the impact they had though recycling and recycling correctly.</p>
<p>Statutory Food Hygiene Plan 2024 – 2025</p>	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 25th September 2024</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider the Statutory Food Hygiene Plan 2024 – 2025.</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report Food Safety Service Delivery Plan 24-25 and recommended that Leanne Perry and the team be thanked for their positive work.</p>
<p>Statutory Health & Safety Plan 2024 – 2025</p>	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 25th September 2024</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider the Statutory Health & Safety Plan 2024 – 2025</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report Statutory Health and Safety Service Plan 24-25 and recommended that James Kaye and the team be thanked for their positive work.</p>
<p>Lane Rental Scheme</p>	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 20th November 2024</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a report on the Lane Rental Scheme for pre-decision scrutiny.</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report ‘Proposed Lane Rental Scheme’ and recommended that the selection process for which streets will be put forward for the Lane Rental Scheme be communicated clearly with all members of the Council.</p>

<p>Public Space Protection Orders</p>	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 20th November 2024</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider an update on Public Space Protection Orders.</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Panel noted the report ‘Public Space Protection Orders’ and it was recommended that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (1) Statistics be provided to the Panel that showed the number of Fixed Penalty Notices issued and the success rate of recovery. (email sent to Panel 11/12/2024) (2) A discussion around the enforcement of fixed penalty notices and the statics provided be included as part of an informal update to the Panel. (3) It be made clearer in the report that the Use of Temporary Structures Without the Landowner’s Permission Public Space Protection Order isn’t aimed at targeting homelessness in Kirklees. (4) The monitoring and review process to target the potential displacement of issues following the implementation of a Public Space Protection Order be included in the report. (5) The support element of Public Space Protection Orders be emphasised in the report as well as enforcement.
<p>Kirklees Statement of Licensing Policy under the Licensing Act 2003 and Cumulative Impact Assessment under</p>	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 20th November 2024</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a report on the Kirklees statement of licensing policy and CIA (under the licensing Act 2003)</p>	<p>RESOLVED: The Panel supported and welcomed the report Proposed Revision to Statement of Licensing Policy 2025 – 2030 and the Cumulative Impact Assessment</p>

<p>the Licensing Act 2003</p>		
<p>Highway Safety Strategy</p>	<p><i>Background:</i></p> <p><i>The former Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel received a presentation around Highways Safety which set out The Councils statutory responsibilities, (as per the Highways Safety Act), (i.e.- Safe vehicles, speeds, roads and behaviours as well as Post collision learning and care). The presentation also covered issues in relation to capital funding, and the Vision Zero ambition to eliminate road deaths and serious injuries (KSI's) to zero by 2040 and improve road safety for everyone using a safe systems approach. The Panel recommended that more emphasis be placed on enforcement and that the council continue to promote, persuade and influence driver behaviour as well as maintaining strong partnership work with the Police.</i></p> <p><i>At its meeting held 10th January 2024 the Panel received a report on Highways Safety Update and recommended that work be undertaken around collision data, and that this be filtered to differentiate between avoidable and unavoidable casualties and to help identify trends and differences. It was also recommended that the recording and consideration of locations where there were multiple minor incidents be investigated and that examples of successful interventions made in high-risk areas are showcased to demonstrate which schemes were effective.</i></p> <p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 29th January 2025</u></p>	

	<p>The Panel will consider a report on Road Safety to include a focus on achieving Vision 0.</p>	
<p>2-year Highway Capital Plan 2024-25 25-26</p>	<p><i>Background:</i></p> <p><i>At its meeting of the Panel held 10 January 2024 the Panel considered an update in relation to the 2 year Highways Capital Plan and it was recommend that:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. That clarity around the location and future planned moves of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS) be investigated provided to the Panel.</i> <i>2. The Panel be provided with information about the potential impact the recent changes to national policy and climate change targets may have on local schemes following discussion with Transportation Officers.</i> <i>3. The issue of blocked drains in the specific location raised by Co-optee (Garry Kitchen) be investigated.</i> <i>4. The road name A636 Denby Dale Road be amended in the report to Wakefield Road for clarity.</i> <i>5. Further opportunities for pre-decision scrutiny in respect of the Capital Plan be considered.</i> <p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 12th March 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider the 2-year Highway Capital Plan 2024-25 25-26.</p>	

Flood Risk Management	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 12th March 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider the Flood Risk Management Plan.</p>	
Fly tipping Update	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 16th April 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a report on Fly tipping Enforcement.</p>	
Events Update	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 16th April 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a report on Kirklees Events, to include a focus on climate impact and value vs resources.</p>	Deferred from January
<u>Informal Briefings</u>		
	<u>Informal meeting of the Panel held on 5th November 2024:</u>	

<p>Future of Bereavement Services</p> <p>Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)</p> <p>Fleet Replacement Programme and O Licence compliance (to include link to particulate matter impact on air quality)</p>	<p>To consider an update in relation to Bereavement Services</p> <p>To consider an update and for opportunity for scrutiny to have early input.</p> <p>To consider an update and for opportunity for scrutiny to have early input.</p>	<p>The Panel noted the update.</p> <p>The Panel noted the update</p> <p>The Panel noted the update</p>
<p>Kirklees Enforcement Policy</p> <p>Waste Procurement Update</p>	<p><u>Informal meeting of the Panel held 21st March 2025</u></p> <p>To consider an update and for opportunity for scrutiny to have early input.</p> <p>The Panel will consider a update on Waste procurement and give early input into simpler recycling.</p>	

Parks and Greenspace Vision (to include Biodiversity and net gain)	To consider an update and for opportunity for scrutiny to have early input.	
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Golden Threads:

The Panel will consider and would like to receive information around the following themes throughout its programme of work

- Climate Impact
- Risks and Opportunities
- Partnership work, links to other opportunities and engagement
- Communications; i.e.- how is the council using communications to deliver messaging, raise awareness of issues and provide information

Items not yet scheduled:

- Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)
- Kirklees Internal Carbon Reporting