

ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY PANEL

Work programme 2024/2025

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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>	
Statutory Food Hygiene Plan 2024 – 2025	<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>	
Statutory Health & Safety Plan 2024 – 2025	<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>	

Events Update	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 20th November 2024</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a report on Kirklees Events, to include a focus on climate impact and value vs resources.</p>	
Lane Rental Scheme	<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>	
Kirklees statement of Licensing Policy	<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 for pre-decision scrutiny.</p>	
Parks and Greenspace Vision	<p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 29th January 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider an update on the Parks and Greenspace Vision</p>	
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Huddersfield Heat Network (around the development of the full business case)	<p>The Panel will consider an update on the Huddersfield Heat Network</p>	
Waste Procurement Update	<p><i>Background:</i></p> <p><i>At its meeting held 27th March 2024 the Panel considered an update on Waste Disposal Contract Procurement in relation to the recommended option to extend the interim arrangements. The Panel noted the report 'Waste Disposal Contract Procurement' and recommended that:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>• The Panel's feedback with regards to tetra pack recycling and occurrences of the receptacles being too full regularly be communicated to the HWRC's.</i> <i>• More workshops in relation to the action taken to address missed waste collection services be offered to all elected members as a priority.</i> <i>• An update on waste collection services be provided to the Panel.</i> <i>• An update on following the development of the full business case for the HDEN be considered for the scrutiny 2024/24 work programme.</i> <p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 29th January 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a progress report on Waste procurement.</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>	
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Fleet Replacement Programme and O Licence compliance	<p>The Panel will consider a report on Fleet Replacement Programme and O Licence compliance.</p>	
Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)	<p><i>Background:</i></p> <p><i>The former Economy and Neighbourhoods Scrutiny Panel received an update in October 2019 and a number of areas to monitor were identified following implementation of the Action Plan. At its meeting held on 25th October 2023 the Panel considered the 2023 Air Quality Annual Status Report (ASR)) and recommended that:</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <i>1. The documents identified in the report as opportunities for pre-decision scrutiny be presented to the Panel going forwards.</i> <i>2. It be confirmed with the air quality lead, if the output from the incinerator had any impact on AQMA No.9</i> <i>3. Work be undertaken to investigate Gas to Liquid fuel to increase understanding of any potential benefits as part of the refresh of the Air Quality Action Plan and Air Quality Strategy</i> <i>4. To maintain a good relationship with Highways England as a key external stakeholder and to continue building on this partnership as part of the refresh of the Air Quality Action Plan and Air Quality Strategy.</i> <i>5. The scientific literature review in relation to the potential benefits of Roadvent be shared with the Panel.</i> 	

	<p><i>6. Clear, effective, and positive communications be developed with regards to the Roadvent project to increase public understanding of the benefit</i></p> <p><u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 16th April 2025</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider the Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)</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>	
Public Space Protection Orders	<p><u>Meeting Date TBC</u></p>	
Road Safety Update	<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</i></p>	

	<p><i>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 Date TBC</u></p> <p>The Panel will consider a report on Road Safety to include a focus on achieving Vision 0.</p>	
<p><u>Informal Briefings</u></p>		
<p>Parks and Greenspace Vision (to include Biodiversity and net gain</p>	<p>February</p>	

Future of Bereavement Services	November	
Kirklees Internal Carbon Reporting	Date TBC	
Kirklees Enforcement Policy	February	
Air Quality Update (Action Plan, Strategy and Annual Status Report)	November	
Fleet Replacement Programme and O Licence compliance (to include link to particulate matter impact on air quality)	November	

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:

- Flood Risk (Panel to monitor and consider recent reports/outcomes from scrutiny prior received at OSMC – may request an update later in the year)
- Public Space Protection Orders

Panel Visits: TBC