ENVIRONMENT AND CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY PANEL

Work programme 2025/2026

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FULL PANEL DISCUSSION		
THEME/ISSUE	**APPROACH / AREAS OF FOCUS**	**OUTCOMES / ACTIONS**
Simpler Recycling and Split Collections	Meeting of the Panel to be held 13th August 2025 The Panel will consider an update on Simpler Recycling and Split Collections following changes to Kirklees Council's collections as per government policy	**RESOLVED:** The Panel noted the report Simpler Recycling and it was recommended that 1) Engagement with the third sector and adult social care be held to reach vulnerable groups and support inclusive engagement. 2) Inclusive design features, such as labelling on the inside of bin lids, be considered to support residents with dementia. 3) Engagement with schools be maintained to ensure alignment between household and school recycling practices.

	September Meeting Cancelled	
Snow Wardens Scheme Update	<u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 8th October 2025</u> The Panel will consider an update on the Snow Wardens Scheme.	**RESOLVED:** the Panel noted the presentation, and it was recommended that: 1) Guidance on use of shovel's be provided to volunteers. 2) The service give consideration to the prioritisation of snow wardens in in areas without access to grit bins or network gritting, as a potential means of addressing service coverage gaps. 3) The Portfolio Holder provide a follow-up response to the Panel regarding how the Council intended to support residents of new housing developments during challenging winter weather. 4) Nick Jenkin, Business development Manager would meet with Councillor Andrew Cooper regarding the promotion of the Snow Warden Scheme in areas of lower take up. 5) Helpful feedback demonstrating the value of the scheme be collated and shared with the panel in future years.

Fly-tipping Update	<u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 26th November 2025</u> The Panel will consider an update on Fly-tipping Update.	
Keeping Britain Tidy	<u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 26th November 2025</u> The Panel will consider a presentation from Keeping Britain Tidy.	**RESOLVED:** The Panel noted the update and it was recommended that: 1) The final outcomes of the 'Love Where You Live' Heckmondwike project be shared with the Panel on completion. 2) Contact be made with the LGA 'Neighbourhoods Policy Committee' to identify how they may work in partnership with Keeping Britain Tidy to amplify similar messages on a national level.
Playable Spaces	<u>Meeting of the Panel to be held 7th January 2026</u> The Panel will consider an update on Playable Spaces	**RESOLVED:** The Panel noted the update Solutions to fly-tipping, and it was recommended that: 1) Communications in relation to 'Bulky Waste' Collections discounts be refreshed to raise awareness of the offers. 2) Will Acornley meet with Councillor Taylor in relation to the member engagement workshops. 3) Data showing the number of fly tipping incidents/volume of rubbish in each fly-tip be included and provided to the Panel. 4) Engagement with scrutiny continue throughout the development of the strategy and prior to Cabinet approval 5) Concerns around sentencing be fed back to the LGA to support raising the voice of local government.

		6) Keeping Britain's Tidy Fly-Tipping-Action Plan be shared with the Panel. 7) A Panel visit to the Enforcement team be arranged via the Governance Officer.
LEVI Update	Meeting of the Panel to be held 7th January 2026 The Panel will consider the LEVI Update	The Panel noted the Local Electric Vehicle Infrastructure (LEVI) Fund for Public Electric Vehicle Charging Points in Kirklees update, and it was recommended that; RESOLVED: 1) The data set showing the rational for Phase 1 locations be shared with the Panel. 2) 2. The details of the contractual information be shared with the Panel.
Annual Update on Flood Risk	Meeting of the Panel to be held 11th February 2026 The Panel will consider the Annual Update on Flood Risk	
White Rose Forest (Delivery) and Kirklees Woodland Creation Update	Meeting of the Panel to be held 11th February 2026 The Panel will consider presentations on White Rose Forest (Delivery) and Kirklees Woodland Creation Update.	
Moving Traffic Offences	Meeting of the Panel to be held 17th March2026 The Panel will consider a presentation on Moving Traffic Offences	

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 /themes not yet scheduled:

- Pollution Update
- Lane Rental Update
- Huddersfield District Heat Network (progress update on the full business case and additional delegations)
- Waste Strategy Update
- Net 0 Update