RESOURCES AND SERVICES OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FOR ENQUIRIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN 2022/23

Work Programme

[Detailed Work Programme for 2022/23 outlining the progress made and otherwise planned for enquiries set out in the Work Programme. The report also details an update of the Task and Finish groups appointed by the Resources and Services Overview and Scrutiny Committees.]

As of that date of publication of this agenda 3 out of the 4 Task and Finish groups (T&Fg) have started.

- Beach Hut T&Fg has completed 4 meetings, they have met with Beach Hut Association Representatives, received written submissions from District Councillors and had a meeting the Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Tourism.
- Customer Service T&Fg has had a Member led meeting to develop key lines of enquiry.
- Planning Enforcement T&Fg has had an Officer led meeting to develop key lines of enquiry.
- Cyber Security T&Fg to be started with an Officer led meeting on 27 October 2022.

Item	Date of Enquiry	Relevant Corporate Plan Theme/Annual Cabinet Priority	Information to be provided in advance	Those to be invited to attend	Articulated value of undertaking the review
Scrutiny of the Council's proposals to review the Beach Hut Strategy	Commenced 21 September 2022	Delivering High Quality Services (Public Spaces to be Proud of)	A copy of the 2013 Beach Hut Strategy and the proposals for the review, which will be subject to consultation with stakeholders.	Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Tourism Interim Corporate Director - Projects Delivery Assistant Director, Economic Growth and Leisure	To feed the committees views into the review of the Beach Hut Strategy, prior to consideration by Cabinet.

Planning Enforcement – Review of current powers, policies, procedures, data on the use of current enforcement powers, effectiveness of approach and assessment of how cases should be	Commenced 3 October 2022	Delivery of High Quality Services	Current Planning Enforcement Policy. Casework examples (i.e. priority and non-priority cases)	Portfolio Holder for Planning, Chairman of the Planning Committee, Director of Planning, Assistant Director	To ensure that the Planning Enforcement Service efficiently prioritises enforcement cases ensuring timely closure of casework.
prioritised. Cyber Security for the Council. Looking at the threats, our approach to those threats and the future vulnerabilities. There was agreement that this might be a good subject for scrutiny.	Commencing Summer 2022	Strong Finance & Governance	1. Copy of All Member Cybersecurity Briefing Presentation 23/02/22. 2. Cyber incident log examples explained.	of Planning Deputy Leader, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance, Head of IT & Resilience, Cybersecurity & Systems Manager	To challenge/ better understand the cybersecurity risks, defences and mitigations the council has in place.
Council procurement and Contract Management – using potential exemplars from: -The housing maintenance contact awarded to Rapid, its	17 October 2022	Delivery of High Quality Services Effective and positive Governance	The Procurement Strategy Confirmation of procurement and contract management requirements	Management Team	To ensure that procurement and contract management at the Council is functioning as it should and is fit for purpose.

delivery of work and the management of it. The management of the previous cremator maintenance contract, the need to stop the use of those cremators and the process for securing replacement cremators given the sensitivity around this service and the budgetary implications for the Council while these cremators are out of action. The Leisure Centre Investment – specifications, securing contractors and delivery of those works and maintenance of the equipment at the Centres.			Details of the procurements in the exemplars Details of the contract management in the exemplars Details of measures to improve procurement and contract management at the Council Procurement Project Pipe Line for programming future projects		
Particularly face to face, telephone and email contact across a range of services	Commenced 30 September 2022	Delivery of High Quality Services	Customer Service Commitments Visitor and Call statistics	Relevant Portfolio Holders Relevant Directors	To provide an opportunity to assess the level of customer service provided against policies and

including Council Tax, Waste-Recycling and Leisure			Complaint handling Ombudsman focus report on equal access		provide recommendations around both of these matters. In addition to ensure reasonable adjustments are in place to reflect the needs of those with disabilities.
Waste, recycling and litter beyond 2026. To consider how best to balance the expectations of residents, cost and service provision.	Spring 2023	Delivery of High Quality Services	The Specification for the current contacts to 2026. The key milestones in the development of specification for the service provision beyond 2026. The budget income, recycling credits and expenditure over the most recent five years. Relevant comparator data for waste, recycling and litter over time and in other comparator councils.	Relevant Portfolio Holders Relevant Directors	To identify what a high quality waste, recycling and litter should look like for Tendring District beyond 2026.
Carbon Neutral by 2030. The assessment of measures to	Off-Agenda Briefing Paper in the Autumn	Delivering High Quality Services/ A7 - Carbon Neutral by 2030	To be scoped by the Committee in August 2022	Not applicable	To ascertain progress against the Action Plan 2020-2023 prior to

progress towards the policy unanimously agreed by Full Council and adopted into the Council's Policy Framework. How will these carbon reduction measures affect the Council and its r partners financially (and is there a consequence for job numbers/skills of the individual measures)?					the end of the period of the Action Plan and inform a process of informing the development of the Action Plan for the next period towards the 2030 net zero policy objective.
Post decision	17 October	Not specified	A link to the decision	Portfolio Holder	To review the
scrutiny of the decision of the	2022		on the Council's website is here:	for Environment and Public Space	consultation with all the parties that will
Portfolio Holder for			website is fiere.		be affected by the
Environment &			Decision - Frinton	Assistant Director	decision along with
Public Space (as			Summer Theatre -	 Building and 	the Councillors
follows):			Application for Consent	Public Realm	whose wards will
1,,			to use Frinton		be affected.
(a) To give			Greensward		To determed to a the
consent for the use of the section of			(tendringdc.gov.uk)		To determine the residual cost falling
Frinton Greensward			In addition to the		on the Council in
identified between 14			decision itself, the		respect of
August 2022 and 5			objections received to		additional demand
September 2022 by			the application are		for public
the Frinton Summer			available at the same		lavatories,
Theatre subject to			link; together with the		additional parking,
any necessary			report of the Assistant		remedial work on
licences being			Director – Building and		the Greensward

obtained and conditions being adhered to; and	Public Realm who advised the Portfolio Holder on the	following the end of the Summer Theatre's use of it.
(b) That the details of any	application.	
consents given make it clear that consent	The report considered by the Portfolio Holder	
is given for this event	prior to the decision to	
only and that future events will be	authorise the use of the Greensward references	
evaluated on their	issues raised in the	
merits at the time.	consultation	
	undertaken in respect	
The decision followed an	of concerns about residual costs falling	
application from	on the Council in	
Frinton Summer	respect of additional	
Theatre to provide a	demand for public	
tented theatre for the	lavatories, additional	
production of plays	parking, remedial work	
for four weeks on the Greensward at	on the Greensward following the end of the	
Frinton-on-Sea in the	Summer Theatre's use	
summer of 2022.	of it.	
The request from the		
Leader of the		
Tendring First Group		
is that the decision		
made by Portfolio Holder be brought to		
the Committee to be		
scrutinised as he		
believes it was made		
without a full and		

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thorough consultation with all the parties that will be affected by the decision along with			
the Councillors whose wards will be affected.			

In addition, there will be scrutiny for the 2022/23 Budget proposals and this work is scheduled for 4 and 11 January 20