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.]

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
Customer Service Particularly face to face, telephone and email contact across a range of services including Council Tax, Waste-Recycling and Leisure	Not completed	Delivery of High Quality Services	Customer Service Commitments Visitor and Call statistics Complaint handling Ombudsman focus report on equal access	Relevant Portfolio Holders Relevant Directors	To provide an opportunity to assess the level of customer service provided against policies and 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.	Not undertaken	Delivery of High Quality Services	The Specification for the current contacts to 2026.	Relevant Portfolio Holders	To identify what a high quality waste, recycling and litter should look like for

To consider how best to balance the expectations of residents, cost and service provision.			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 Directors	Tendring District beyond 2026.
		COMPLE.	TED ITEMS		
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 prioritised.	Completed Recommendations Going to Cabinet on 23 June 2023	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 of Planning	To ensure that the Planning Enforcement Service efficiently prioritises enforcement cases ensuring timely closure of casework.
Council procurement and Contract Management –	Completed Recommendations	Delivery of High Quality Services	The Procurement Strategy	Management Team	To ensure that procurement and contract

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using potential	Going to Cabinet		Confirmation of		management at the
exemplars from:	on 23 June 2023		procurement and		Council is
-The housing		Effective and	contract management		functioning as it
maintenance		positive Governance	requirements		should and is fit for
contact awarded to					purpose.
Rapid, its delivery			Details of the		
of work and the			procurements in the		
management of it.			exemplars		
- The management					
of the previous			Details of the contract		
cremator			management in the		
maintenance			exemplars		
contract, the need			_		
to stop the use of			Details of measures to		
those cremators			improve procurement		
and the process for			and contract		
securing			management at the		
replacement			Council		
cremators given					
the sensitivity			Procurement		
around this service			Project Pipe Line		
and the budgetary			for programming		
implications for the			future projects		
Council while these					
cremators are out					
of action.					
- The Leisure					
Centre Investment					
- specifications,					
securing					
contractors and					
delivery of those					
works and					
maintenance of the					
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equipment at the Centres.					
Carbon Neutral by 2030. The assessment of measures 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)?	Completed	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 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.
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	Completed	Strong Finance & Governance	 Copy of All Member Cybersecurity Briefing Presentation 23/02/22. Cyber incident log examples explained. 	Deputy Leader, Portfolio Holder for Corporate Finance and Governance, Head of IT & Resilience,	To challenge/ better understand the cybersecurity risks, defences and mitigations the council has in place.

subject for scrutiny.				Cybersecurity & Systems Manager	
Scrutiny of the Council's proposals to review the Beach Hut Strategy	COMPLETED	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.
Post decision scrutiny of the decision of the Portfolio Holder for Environment & Public Space (as follows): (a) To give consent for the use of the section of Frinton Greensward identified between 14 August 2022 and 5 September 2022	17 October 2022 DONE	Not specified	A link to the decision on the Council's website is here: Decision - Frinton Summer Theatre - Application for Consent to use Frinton Greensward (tendringdc.gov.uk) In addition to the decision itself, the objections received to the application are available at the same link; together with the	Portfolio Holder for Environment and Public Space Assistant Director – Building and Public Realm	To review the consultation with all the parties that will be affected by the decision along with the Councillors whose wards will be affected. To determine the residual cost falling on the Council in respect of additional demand for public

by the Frinton	report of the Assistant	lavatories,
Summer Theatre	Director – Building and	additional parking,
subject to any	Public Realm who	remedial work on
necessary licences	advised the Portfolio	the Greensward
being obtained and	Holder on the	following the end
conditions being	application.	of the Summer
adhered to; and		Theatre's use of it.
(b) That the	The report considered	
details of any	by the Portfolio Holder	
consents given	prior to the decision to	
make it clear that	authorise the use of the	
consent is given	Greensward references	
for this event only	issues raised in the	
and that future	consultation undertaken	
events will be	in respect of concerns	
evaluated on their	about residual costs	
merits at the time.	falling on the Council in	
	respect of additional	
The decision	demand for public	
followed an	lavatories, additional	
application from	parking, remedial work	
Frinton Summer	on the Greensward	
Theatre to provide	following the end of the	
a tented theatre for	Summer Theatre's use	
the production of	of it.	
plays for four		
weeks on the		
Greensward at		
Frinton-on-Sea in		
the summer of		
2022.		
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 thorough consultation with all the parties that will be affected by the decision along with the Councillors whose			
Councillors whose wards will be affected.			

In addition, there was scrutiny for the 2023/24 Budget proposals and this work was undertaken on for 4 and 11 January 2023