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COMMUNITY LEADERSHIP OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE ENQUIRIES TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN 2026/27

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
To examine joint working with Parish & Town Councils in the District and opportunities and for the mutually beneficial collaboration to enhance that joint working. [Ongoing from 2025/26]	Through a Task and Finish Group 15 January 2026 – The Committee received a submission from the Task and Finish Group which set out a future proposal to take the enquiry forward. The Group met on 3 June 2026 for initial scoping for their next meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for 22 June 2026.	-Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with Partners to improve quality of life	Details of existing area of joint working between the District Council and Town and Parish Councils in the District. Examples of joint working elsewhere in the nation that may be beneficial to consider. As part of the Public Consultation for preparing the 2025/26 Overview and Scrutiny Committees Work Programmes, Officers received a submission from Frating Parish Council, which calls for enhanced scrutiny of the planning process and its determinations on the grounds of perceived inconsistencies in decision-making. The Parish Council asserts that the Tendring District Council Planning Department frequently bases its decisions on outdated or inaccurate information.	Chief Executive Corporate Director (Planning and Community) The Chair/Secretary of TDALC Representatives from the National Association of Local Councils Appropriate Officers/Portfolio Holders for areas of further joint work.	To develop options for the Cabinet/Council to develop collaborative working opportunities that are mutually beneficial.

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Youth Mental Health Following their presence at a previous meeting, to consider the research undertaken by Coastal Communities Unit (CCU) To look at the mental health research which suggests the position is most pronounced among younger people living in coastal communities.	Through a Task and Finish Group comprising of:- • Councillor Terry Barrett • Councillor Dan Casey • Councillor Bill Davidson • Councillor Carrie Doyle • Councillor Ann Oxley	-Working with Partners to improve quality of life -Raising aspirations and creating opportunities -Pride in our area and services to residents	The published articles and summaries of the research findings produced by the University and its collaboration partners.	Dr Emily Murray, Director of the CCU at the University of Essex	To be able to make recommendations around actions and activities that may have a beneficial impact on health inequalities locally.
To Consider Grant Funding by the Council and Others and its appropriateness given the needs of the District, including where the Grants Policy is at and the progress made with the adoption of the Committee's Recommendations	At a meeting of the Budget Scrutiny meeting of the Committee on 14 January 2026.	-Financial sustainability and openness	Cabinet's initial budget proposals for 2027/28.	Portfolio Holder, Partnerships Corporate Director (Finance & IT) Corporate Director (Place & Wellbeing)	To consider the Councils approach to grants, the relationship between other grant funding organisations. The extent to which gaps in funding have been identified and addressed.
To review progress made with the adopted Crime & Disorder Reduction Strategy 2025-28 and the adoption of the Committee's Recommendations	At a meeting of the Committee to be held 22 June 2026.	-Working with Partners to improve quality of life	Crime and Disorder Reduction Strategy 2025 – 2028 Community Safety Partnership Annual Report 2026 - 2027	Councillor Peter Kotz – Joint Chair of the Community Safety Partnership Board Councillor Gina Placey - Joint Chair of the Community Safety Partnership Board Corporate Director – Operations and Delivery Chief Inspector Stuart Austin – Essex Police District Inspector Grant Fryatt – Essex Police – CPT	To shine a light on unacceptable behaviours within families and the benefit this created for so many families. It will also look at prevention and support measures to consider strengthening these where possible. Look to align Tendring's Strategy with those of Braintree and Colchester Councils.

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				and partnership Inspector Community Safety & Safeguarding Manager Head of Health and Culture Members of the Community Safety Partnership : -Essex Probation -Essex County Fire & Rescue Service -NHS North Essex ICB -Essex County Council Public Health	
The Women's Safety Charter for the Tendring District is a preventative intervention, created with a community safety focus, aimed at improving feelings of safety for women and girls in public spaces. The Women's Safety Charter for the Tendring District has been developed from the feedback from people in our local area and through partnership with Essex Police to respond to their needs.	At a meeting of the Committee to be held 14 January 2027.	-Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with partners to improve quality of life	Women's Safety Charter – Tendring District Tendring Charter – Business Toolkit How many people / businesses/ organisations have signed up to the Charter Data on feelings of safety in the District for Women and Girls.	Councillor Peter Kotz – Joint Chair of the Community Safety Partnership Board Councillor Gina Placey - Joint Chair of the Community Safety Partnership Board Corporate Director – Operations and Delivery Community Safety & Safeguarding Manager Karen Whybrow – Women's Safety Consultant	Examine the extent to which lived experiences of our residents shape community safety projects and the role of community involvement provides a solution to increase perceptions of safety for all.
NHS Dentistry	At a meeting of the Committee to be held on 9 March 2027	-Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with partners to improve quality of life	Figures on the number of NHS dentists in Tendring, particularly Clacton and Harwich	Key Personnel Essex ICB Relevant individuals from Essex Healthwatch Local NHS Dentistry Providers	To look at the provision of NHS dentistry in the district since the new Essex Integrated Care Board took responsibility for its commissioning and consider how the adverse health implications from

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				Corporate Director (Place & Wellbeing) Head of Health and Culture	poor dental health and gum disease in respect of: -Respiratory infections -Diabetic complications -Cardiovascular problems -Kidney disease -Rheumatoid arthritis And thereby seek to ensure that the steps taken by Commissioners of NHS Dentistry are seeking to mitigate against such issues.
School Active / School Sports Premium	Site visits to primary schools in Tendring and a meeting of the Committee to be determined. This may then lead to a Task and Finish Group looking at the specific evidence gathered.	-Raising aspirations and creating opportunities -Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with partners to improve quality of life	Current use of the School Sports Premium Perceived impact of the realignment of this UK Government funding stream to schools	Relevant Primary School representatives Portfolio Holder, Partnerships Corporate Director (Place & Wellbeing)	To consider the potential impact of the UK Government's realignment of School Sports Premium Funding and the potential for shared approaches to secure successful bids for school-based activity going forward.
The number of young people not in employment, education or training (NEET)	At a meeting of the Committee to be held on 21 September 2026.	-Raising aspirations and creating opportunities -Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with partners to improve quality of life	Young people and work: interim report – Authored by Alun Milburn Information held by Essex County Council in respect of NEETs within the Tendring District Information on Work Experience opportunities amongst local employers	Relevant individuals involved in work experience placements in the District Portfolio Holder, Partnerships Corporate Director (Place & Wellbeing)	To offer further support to reduce the number of NEETs locally through targeted activity.
Essex ICB to look at measures to address the wider determinants of health (including fuel poverty). Identify progress against the Committee's recommendation of 10 February 2026 in respect of waiting times for ADHD and	Off-Agenda Briefing Note.	-Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with partners to improve quality of life	An evaluation of the benefit of the Healthy Homes Initiative and fuel poverty interventions funded by the then ICB for Tendring. Data surrounding current and previous waiting times for ADHD	Collated information from: Essex ICB Portfolio Holder, Partnerships Corporate Director (Place & Wellbeing)	To better understand the contribution of the ICB to address key elements in respect of wider health matters.

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Autism Assessments.			and autism assessments for adults and children.	Head of Health and Culture	
Drowning – a public health crisis	Off-Agenda Briefing	-Pride in our area and services to residents -Working with partners to improve quality of life -Raising aspirations and creating opportunities	Water safety statistics for Tendring Data on swimming provision through schools in the district of Tendring The level of provision for learning to swim in the sea	Collated information from: Essex County Council - Education Portfolio Holder, Partnerships Corporate Director (Place & Wellbeing) Head of Health and Culture	To ensure that children locally are best protected in respect of open water swimming.
Joint Working with scrutiny counterparts at Colchester City Council and Braintree District Council will continue throughout the 2026/27 scrutiny year to develop a joined-up system of scrutiny in preparation for LGR. The next meeting is due to be held in the coming months where Braintree District Council will take the administrative lead.					