

SCRUTINY PROGRAMME BOARD

Date: Thursday 16 September 2021

Time: 5.30 pm Venue: via zoom

Members are invited to attend the above meeting.

If you have an enquiry regarding any items on this agenda, please contact Sharon Sissons Democratic Services Officer 01392 265115.

Membership-

Councillors Packham (Chair), Newby (Deputy Chair), Mitchell, M, Sills and Vizard

Agenda

1 Apologies

2 Members' Proposals Proforma Received (attached)

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Member Proforma attached with SMB comments

- 1. Tackling Climate Change
- 2. Tackling the Ecological Emergency
- 3. Healthy Homes
- 4. Commercialisation Scrutiny
- 5. Public Toilet Provision

3 Future Scrutiny Meetings

Strategic Scrutiny Committee 18 Nov Customer Focus Scrutiny Committee 2 Dec

4 Date of Next and Future Meeting

14th or 28th October 2021 9th December 2021 17th February 2022 7th April 2022



(Proforma)

SCRUTINY Consideration of an Item at Scrutiny Committee

Please complete this form to provide information about your proposal for consideration by the Scrutiny Programme Board or request for a review to be undertaken on a topic or issue of concern. You may attach any other supporting information you feel might help the Board in considering your proposal. The Strategic Management Board will be advised of any proposal, to help advise on the timetable and any resource implications.

Please complete the following form which will be presented to the Scrutiny Programme Board (SPB)

Issue to be Considered	Tackling Climate Change
Proposer (s)	Progressive Group
Scrutiny Committee (to be determined by the SPB)	
Lead Portfolio Holder	
Identification of Lead Officer	To be completed by SMB

Areas for consideration:

1. What is the specific topic area you want considered/reviewed?

Progress towards achieving the

- a. Council's performance towards achieving net zero carbon 2030.
- b. City's performance towards achieving net zero carbon 2030.
- 2. What are the main issues you feel need to be addressed?
 - 1. Establishment of a carbon baseline and budget of both a) the council land b) the city
 - 2. The planned trajectory for reaching net zero by 2030 and analysis of risks and mitigation measures
 - 3. Consideration of how CN2030 will be treated in the development of the new Local Plan.
 - 4. Alignment of the Exeter CN2030 plan with the Devon Carbon plan and any adjustments or review required.



- 5. Public engagement in the plan, carbon budgeting and projects to deliver.
- 6. Financing of projects to help tackle climate change locally. This is likely to require input form Exeter City Futures (a council connected company) and/or the Place Board (a council administered entity) and the DERG in their roles/responsibitities in these matters.
- 3. Please identify which of the Council's key priorities your topic relates to? (If any)

Climate emergency, health and wellbeing, planning.

- 7. What outcome are you aiming to achieve with this consideration/review?
 - a) Public clarity about City and Council baseline and scale of exercise /steps to achieve NZ2030.
 - b) Review of effectiveness of the Exeter CN2030 plan and proposed measures to achieve NZ2030, areas requiring updating if required and how this can be a focus for city resilience /recovery,
 - c) Clarity about how communities contribution to NZ2030.
 - d) Clarity about roles and responsibleness across the city institutions and council in particular
- 5. Do you consider this review urgent and if so why?
 - 1. CO2 emissions are continuing to rise and evidence of the impact of local actions is not articulated.
 - 2. CPO26 in October 2021. Exeter should be able to demonstrate its contribution to tackling climate change locally.
 - 3. A biannual review of performance towards NZ2030 was promised in 2019 after the climate emergency was announced. (either at the Place or strategic scrutiny committee)

Date of Request	<mark>5/7/21</mark>

Please note that the Programme Board will consider the following matters (if relevant) when determining the request. Please tick any that are appropriate.-

Potential Criteria for Selecting Topic (NB This is not an exhaustive list)	Please tick
The issue has potential impact on one or more sections of the local population	✓
The issue is strategic and/or significant	✓
Scrutiny of this matter will add value to the Council's and/or its partners' overall performance	✓

The review will lead to effective outcomes	√
This will improve service outputs	√
The issue is of concern to partners and stakeholders	✓
The issue is a key issue for the public (as identified through contact with constituents or meetings of local organisations)	✓
This will be of benefit to the community	✓
Poor performing service (evidenced from performance indicators)	✓
Service/issue ranked as important by the Council's community (via market surveys/annual residents' survey/consultation with tenants, local business community)	✓
High level of user/general public dissatisfaction with service (via market surveys/complaints)	✓
Public interest issue (e.g. covered by local media)	√
High level of budgetary commitment to the service or policy area	✓
Pattern of budgetary overspends	
Council key priority area	✓
Central Government priority area	✓
Issue poses significant or potential risk to the Council (can be financial, reputational or other risk)	V
Issue raised by external auditor	
Issue raised by Council or one of its Committees	✓ audit committee risk register
Issue arises from new legislation or Government guidance	√
Key reports or new evidence (provided by external organisations on key issue)	✓

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The following will be used if the Proposal/Topic is rejected	Please tick
The timing of this review is inappropriate	
The review will duplicate other work within the Council or elsewhere	
The issue is already under examination by Council	
The issue is already under examination by an Officer	
Group and changes are imminent	
Issue being examined as part of a service review	
New legislation/guidance expected within a year	
There is an alternative, more effective, route the Member can take to address the issue	
The issue is outside the scope of the Scrutiny Committee	
The issue would not bring about any sustainable and ongoing revenue savings	
The issue does not meet any of the Council's corporate priorities	

Comments from SMB 06/09/21 Tackling Climate Change Defer the request for 12 months to wait until the team is in place and then make more meaningful comment on our progress of Carbon Action plan against our baseline assessments. It would also be appropriate to combine this with the proposed item 'Ecological Emergency' as they are linked but recognising that ECC is not resourced in any way for the ecological emergency declared by members. (DB)

Overall	Review Supported	Review not supported
recommendation of		
Scrutiny Programme		
Board Please tick		
relevant box)		

Confirm approval of review by	Yes/No (Delete as appropriate)
Committee	Customer Focus Scrutiny
	Committee/ Strategic Scrutiny
	Committee