

Scrutiny Committee Work Programme 2025 - 2026

Work for scoping and/or allocation to the Work Programme 2025 - 2026

Updated: 25 June 2025

Proposed date	Topic
10 July 2025	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Update on corporate complaints (following report to Scrutiny in January 2024) (Officer: Monitoring Officer) 2. Update on impact of IHT changes on farms in East Devon following response from the NFU (Officer: Director of Place) 3. Update on progress with Scrutiny Action Plan (Officer: Democratic Services Manager)
15 July 2025	Overview Spotlight Session: update on public conveniences provision (Officer: AD Place, Assets & Commercialisation)
4 September 2025	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Emergency Planning: update report (follow up from report on 11 July 2024) 2. Review of Emergency Responses 2024-25 (update following annual review 13 June 2024) (Officers: AD Environmental Health; Emergency Planning & Business Continuity Officer) 3. Safeguarding Annual Review 2024-25 (update following first annual review 11 July 2024) (Officers: AD Environmental Health; Emergency Planning & Business Continuity Officer)
2 October 2025	
6 November 2025	<p>Follow up report from StreetScene on wildlife improvement areas (from June 2024 meeting) (Officers: Horticultural Technical Officer; StreetScene Operations Manager)</p> <p>(Note: the new Wildlife Improvement Policy will go to the Overview Committee. Scrutiny Committee will receive an update on other matters relating to wildlife improvement areas following the report in June 2024)</p>

6 November 2025 TBC	Climate change report: update on progress with the climate change action plan 2020-2040 (follow up from report on 7 November 2024) (Officers: AD Environmental Health; Climate Change Officer)
3 December 2025	Joint meeting with Overview Committee to consider Directorate Plans for 2026-27
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14 January 2026	Joint budget meeting with Overview Committee
5 February 2026 TBC	UKSPF evaluation update report (Officers: Economic Development Manager & Economy Projects Assistant) (previous update January 2025)
5 March 2026	Invitation to Community Safety Partnership Councillor representative (Cllr Dan Wilson) to update the Committee, with a focus on current priorities for the Partnership, including update on anti-social behaviour. (Officer: Anti-Social Behaviour & Community Safety Co-ordinator)
2 April 2026	
Dates TBC	Topic – dates to be confirmed with lead Officers
Date TBC	Report on consultancy and agency spend 2023-24 (Officer: Finance Manager)
Date TBC	<p>Agreed at Council meeting on 26 February 2025 Motion 2: Highways (Agenda item 22) Recommends that East Devon District Council's Scrutiny Committee consider undertaking an investigation of these issues in support of and in addition to other measures agreed at the meeting.</p> <p>Scrutiny Spotlight Session with senior officer(s) from DCC proposed, to cover input from DCC Highways as consultee on planning applications and attendance at EDDC Planning Committee meetings. Director of Place to follow up, subject to Deputy Monitoring Officer checking Constitution regarding most appropriate Committee to scrutinise item (Scrutiny or Strategic Planning).</p>
TBC	Portfolio Holder reports: Awaiting the Scrutiny Action Plan and recommendations from the Constitution Working Group regarding changes to the Committee's terms of reference

Correspondence regarding Scrutiny Committee topics	
Date received	Details