

Overview & Scrutiny work programme

5 MARCH 2024			
Item	Additional information	Relevant Lead Councillor(s)	Lead officers
Lead Councillor Question Session	With Councillor Angela Goodwin, Lead Councillor for Engagement and Customer Services	Cllr Angela Goodwin, Lead Councillor for Engagement and Customer Services	–
Air Quality Strategy update	To scrutinise Guildford’s Air Quality Strategy and action plan	Cllr Merel Rehorst-Smith, Lead Councillor for Regulatory and Democratic Services	Gary Durrant, Senior Specialist - Environment Control (Noise and Pollution). Richard Homewood, Executive Head Regulatory Services and Dawn Hudd, Joint Strategic Director, Place
Spend on consultants and agency workers, 2023-24 (six-month update)	Six month update, requested at September 2023 meeting [Minute OS 14 refers]	Cllr Richard Lucas, Lead Councillor for Finance and Property	Adrian Swift, Senior Specialist Procurement (Interim), Richard Bates, Executive Head of Finance, and Ian Doyle, Joint Strategic Director, Transformation & Governance
Community Services – The Hive	A written report, following on from the presentation to the Committee on 19 December.	Cllr Carla Morson, Lead Councillor for Community and Organisational Development	Sam Hutchison, Joint Executive Head of Community Services. Annie Righton, Joint Strategic Director, Community Wellbeing

Unscheduled items

Borough's Response to Refugees – update requested for September 2024 or earlier in the event of significant change [Minute OS14 refers, 12 September 2023].

Draft Communications Strategy 2023-24. Originally scheduled for March 2024, moved to unscheduled in January 2024 at request of Joint Executive Head of Communications and Customer Service.

Housing Strategy

Task and finish groups

Title	Update
Affordable Housing	<p data-bbox="394 863 2047 986">Cllrs P. Brooker, Brothwell, Creese, Fenwick, Jones, Oven, Smith, Taylor, and Steel have expressed interest in possibly continuing the work of the review. A narrative summary of the first task group's work was shared in early December 2023.</p> <p data-bbox="394 1031 2063 1249">Meetings have been held to discuss the progress of the original task group and how to take forward the issues. The next step is to move ahead with setting up the membership of the group, revising its terms of reference, and determining what the review look at to deliver agreed and demonstrable outcomes. This will follow the appointment of a new Joint Executive Head of Housing (the former Joint Executive Head of Housing Services had confirmed he would be the lead housing officer on the group).</p>