

Communities, Environment and Highways Select Committee Forward Work Programme 2024 – 2025

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Date of Meeting	Type of Scrutiny	Issue for Scrutiny	Purpose	Outcome	Relevant Organisational Priority	Cabinet Member/Lead Officer
October 2024						
15 October 2024	Committee Briefing	Climate Change Delivery Plan Annual update	To receive a whole programme assessment annual progress report on the Climate Change Delivery Plan. To cover Greener Futures Communication and Engagement Strategy issues and update on Committee recommendations.	The Committee to provide its feedback progress against the Plan.	Enabling a greener future. Empowered and thriving communities.	Marisa Heath, Cabinet Member for Environment Simon Crowther, Director Environment Property and Growth Carolyn McKenzie, Director – Environment
	Committee Briefing	Surrey Fire and Rescue Service Response to the Grenfell Tower Phase Two Report	Surrey Fire and Rescue Service Response to the Grenfell Tower Phase Two Report.	The Committee to provide its feedback on the report.	Empowered and thriving communities.	Dan Quin, Chief Fire Officer

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	Budget (Private Session)	Budget Briefing (no. 2)	Informal Budget Briefing Session To consider deep-dive recommendations to inform draft budget proposals.			
December 2024						
5 December 2024	Budget Scrutiny	Budget 2024/25 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy	Select Committee to receive draft budget proposals for 2024/25.	The Select Committee scrutinises the Council's budget proposals, provides feedback and makes recommendations, if required.	Growing a sustainable economy so everyone can benefit	David Lewis, Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources
	Pre-scrutiny	SFRS a) Draft Community Risk Management Plan b) Surrey Fire and Rescue Service Performance Report	Members Development Session April prior to Public Consultation on new CRMP May-July 2024. Proposals to be presented to CLT and icab October 2024.	The Committee to review and input into new CRMP prior to Cabinet Approval in January and full Council March 2025	Empowered and thriving communities Growing a sustainable economy so everyone can benefit	Denise Turner-Stewart Cabinet Member for Communities and Community Safety Dan Quin, Chief Fire Officer Bernadette Beckett, Chief of Staff
	Pre-decision	Economic Growth	To update on progress made and the devolution agenda. Opportunity to scrutinise / influence draft economic strategy and new growth & innovation fund proposals. Due to launch 2025.	For the Select Committee to scrutinise the current economic strategy and what new proposals will look like in 2025.	Growing a sustainable economy so everyone can benefit	David Lewis, Cabinet Member for Finance & Resources

February 2025

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TBC	Pre-decision	Rights of Way Improvement Plan	Review interest after 5 Feb Briefing session and decide how to factor into Scrutiny plans. Plan under consultation. Due to be approved and finalised end of March 2025.	Progress check on progress of the proposed improvements.	Enabling a greener future Empowered and thriving communities	Marisa Heath, Cabinet Member for Environment Simon Crowther, Director Environment Property and Growth Carolyn McKenzie, Director – Environment
	Strategy Update	Waste Infrastructure Update			Enabling a greener future	Marisa Heath, Cabinet Member for Environment Simon Crowther, Director Environment Property and Growth Carolyn McKenzie, Director – Environment

	Policy Development	Climate Change Adaption Plan	<p>The committee to provide its feedback on the proposed Climate Change Adaptation Plan.</p> <p>To receive a report that sets out how Surrey needs to adapt and build resilience to the impacts of climate change such as increased flooding, droughts, heatwaves and wildfires.</p>	<p>The Committee is reassured that the Council's adaption strategy is realised and that the Committee is able to endorse a robust plan.</p>	<p>Empowered and thriving communities</p> <p>Empowered and thriving communities</p>	<p>Cabinet Member for Environment</p> <p>Katie Stewart, Executive Director for Environment, Transport & Infra-structure</p> <p>Carolyn McKenzie – Director, Environment.</p>
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