

London Borough of Enfield

Report Title	Scrutiny Work programmes 2023/24 and 2022/23
	Annual report
Report to	Scrutiny and Council
Date of Meeting	14 th September, and 27 th September 2023
Executive Director	Terry Osborne Director of Law & Governance
/ Director	
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Ward(s) affected	
Key Decision	'Non Key'.
Number	
Classification	Part 1 Public
Reason for	N/A
exemption	

Purpose of Report

1. This report and Appendices set out the annual report for 22/23 and the draft work programmes for Overview and Scrutiny Committee (OSC) and the seven standing Scrutiny panels for 2023/24.

Recommendations

I. Council is asked to approve the work programmes for 2023/24 and to note the Scrutiny Annual report for 2022/23.

Background and Options

2. The Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Scrutiny Panels set out their own work programmes for the year, taking into consideration wider consultation with Cabinet, and the Executive Management Team (EMT).

- 3. The seven scrutiny Panels are:
 - (i) Children, Young People and Education
 - (ii) Crime
 - (iii) Environment and Climate Action
 - (iv) Finance and Performance
 - (v) Health and Adult Social Care
 - (vi) Housing
 - (vii) Regeneration and Economic Development
- 4. Membership of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee and the Scrutiny Panels were approved by Council on the 10th May 2023.

Work Planning

- 5. This year the work planning meetings were held in private to develop a facilitative workshop approach to the work setting.
- 6. Members were given a topic selection criterion, a list of previous work undertaken, and ideas of local and national importance. The Cabinet member and Executive Director attended to present their priorities. The members held informal discussions and agreed on a number of topics for their Panels to scrutinise. Members were keen to have items that they looked at in-depth, and felt that for some topics it would be helpful to invite users of the service, partners etc, they felt that this would improve outcomes from Scrutiny.
- 7. The workshop style approach worked well, and members held useful discussions about the topics chosen, and were able to identify clear objectives for choosing each item.
- 8. Members requested that detailed reports are provided for all work programme items. There had been an increase in the use of PowerPoint presentations which they felt didn't give them enough detail about an item. The Corporate Scrutiny report template should therefore be used when providing information to the Panels. This specifically asks for the following Key lines of enquiry: key issues; challenges; successes; comparative data; and costs of the service.
- Co-ordinating the Panels work programmes and ensuring there is no duplication across the panels is part of the function of OSC. There are currently two areas identified both on the OSC work programme, but also on Panel work programmes.
- 10. These areas will be reviewed, and an approach agreed at OSC on the 14th September, so that only one committee will take the item.

11. The Executive Management Team (EMT) and Cabinet members were asked to comment on the work programmes.

Relevance to Council Plans and Strategies

12. The Scrutiny Panels are focussed and aligned to areas where they can add most value to the delivery of the Council's plan.

Financial Implications

13. Any cost implications of recommendations made from scrutiny must be contained within budgeted resources.

Legal Implications

- 14. The Council has statutory duties within an existing legal framework to make arrangements for the scrutiny of its decisions and service delivery, including the areas of crime and health, which are covered within these recommendations.
- 15. The setting of the annual scrutiny work programme is a matter for the Council, following consultation with EMT, members and key stakeholders. These requirements are set out in the Council's Constitution.

Equalities Implications

16. Equalities impact assessments relating to recommendations that scrutiny may make will be assessed through the scrutiny process.

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Appendices

Work programmes and Annual Report.

Background Papers

None

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 2023/24 CHAIR: Cllr Margaret Greer

Date of meeting	Topic	Report Author	Lead Members	Executive Director/Director	Scope
21 Jun 2023	Work Planning	Claire Johnson	Cllr Margaret Greer – OSC Chair	Terry Osborne	To agree and set the OSC Work Programme 2023/24
14 September 2023	Scrutiny Annual Work Programmes 2023/24	Claire Johnson	Cllr Margaret Greer- OSC Chair	Terry Osborne	The Committee will note and agree the work programmes for the scrutiny panels for approval at Council
	Review of Leisure Provision in the Borough	Matthew Watts	Cllr Chinelo Anyanwu	Simon Pollock Cheryl Headon	The Panel have requested a further update following this item coming to OSC on 09/05/23
14 November 2023	Operational/Organisational Development	Brendan McGeough Lee Shelsher Laura Martins	Cllr Ergin Erbil	Fay Hammond Paul Neville	Members requested a particular focus on Customer Services/Digital Services, with interest in how residents report complaints and how they are resolved such as fly tipping/waste issues etc
	Clinical Commissioning-ICB	Deborah McBeal	ICB Lead- Deborah McBeal	Deborah McBeal	The panel have requested an update following the recent ICB restructure and how this will affect the LA *Potential area of duplication with Health Panel

15 January 2024	Budget consultation for members of the Committee	Fay Hammond Kevin Bartle	Cllr Tim Leaver	Fay Hammond Kevin Bartle	The proposed budget goes to OSC as part of the formal Budget consultation.
06 February 2024	Fairer Enfield Policy 2021- 2025	Shaun Rogan Harriet Potemkin	Cllr Ergin Erbil	Tinu Olowe	Members asked for an update with particular focus on Equality, Diversity & Inclusion
	Fly Tipping	Jon Sharkey	Cllr Rick Jewell	Doug Wilkinson	Update to the Committee with a particular focus on enforcement. *Area of duplication with Environment Panel
04 March 2024	Peer Review	Shaun Rogan Harriet Potemkin	Cllr Ergin Erbil	Tinu Olowe	Update to the Committee on recommendations & action plan following the Council Peer review

CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE & EDUCATION SCRUTINY PANEL 2023/24 CHAIR: CIIr Maria Alexandrou

Date of meeting	Topic	Lead officer	Lead Members	Executive Director/ Director	Scope
5 [™] JULY	Work Planning				
30 [™] OCT	Annual Safeguarding Report	Bharat Ayer/Sharon Burgess	Cllr Abdullahi	Tony Theodoulou	The Annual Report is brought to this Panel for discussion
	Annual Complaints Report		Cllr Abdullahi	Tony Theodoulou	Requested by the Panel to come to the first meeting of the municipal year
	Family Hubs and HAF (what's on offer, funding etc)	Ivana Price	Cllr Abdullahi	Ann Stoker	The panel have requested an indepth review on this item
18 TH DEC	Child Exploitation (sexual and criminal) and missing children		Cllr Abdullahi	Tony Theodoulou	The panel have requested an in- depth review on this item
	Progress update on the roll-out of free school meals in primary schools.		Cllr Abdullahi	Tony Theodoulou	The Panel would like information and data on this item.
11 TH MAR	Violence towards staff in schools	Sarah Fryer Paul Bishop	Cllr Abdullahi	Peter Nathan	The Panel would like to receive an update from the working party, to hear from a Headteacher and to receive data.

Date tbc	Falling School Rolls and SEND provision	Neil Best Barbara Thurogood	Cllr Abdullahi	Peter Nathan	The panel have requested an indepth review on this item (to include financial impact to the school, logistical impact of not having full classes) (SEND-to inform the panel of the work which has been done and is being carried out to increase the provision of SEND places in the borough)

CRIME SCRUTINY PANEL 2023/24 CHAIR: CIIr Mike Rye

Date of meeting	Topic	Report Author	Lead Members	Executive Director/ Director	Reason for proposal
27 June 2023	Work Programme Planning				
	Crime Statistics	Andrea Clemons	Cllr Gina Needs	Tony Theodoulou	Members asked to continue receiving crime statistics to give them a broad overview of the issues and work being done, members wished to see included break-ins/ burglaries and car thefts – as a standing item at each meeting.
12 Sep 2023	Serious Violence Duty	Andrea Clemons	Cllr Gina Needs	Tony Theodoulou	Part of the process of this new duty requires consultation and the scrutiny panel are asked to contribute to this.
	Prevention of violence against women and girls strategy.	Julie Tailor/ Andrea Clemons	Cllr Gina Needs	Tony Theodoulou	Members will review and comment on the information updates and the refreshed priorities.
6 Dec 2023	The Casey Review	Andrea Clemons/ Chris Byrne (PC)	Cllr Gina Needs (Cabinet Member for Community Safety and Cohesion)	Tony Theodoulou (Executive Director of People)	To receive an in depth review and briefing to include: the number of police officers on restricted or suspended duties in Enfield, the reduction of neighbourhood police teams/ street visibility, the effectiveness of CAPES (good practice and areas for improvement),

					and police numbers more generally.
27 Feb 2024	Community support/ law enforcement officers.	Martin Rattigan	Cllr Gina Needs	Tony Theodoulou	This was an area of priority for the council. The Panel decided to discuss/ review/ scrutinise further to include: what is happening, how successful it has been, their key performance indicators, and progress with the planned 50 new community support officers.
	CCTV	Darren Woods/ Andrea Clemons	Cllr Gina Needs	Tony Theodoulou	Members wished to receive information on the work of the CCTV centre, what it does, and its impact on crime prevention and detection
Tues 16 April 2024	Anti-social behaviour strategy.	Martin Rattigan/ Andrea Clemons	Cllr Gina Needs	Tony Theodoulou	Members of the Panel are interested to receive information and data for this issue. *Possible area of duplication with Housing

ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE ACTION SCRUTINY PANEL 2023/24 CHAIR: CIIr Hivran Dalkaya

Date of meeting	Topic	Report Author	Lead Members	Executive Director/ Director	Scope
3 July 2023	Work Programme Planning				
24 Oct 2023	Recycling	Jon Sharkey	Clir Jewell	Doug Wilkinson/ Simon Pollock	To include: how information about what can be recycled is communicated to residents - the use of images/ stickers/ videos, the harmonisation/ standardisation of recycling, trial on recycling in council flats/ estates – the next step, recycling processes relative/ comparison to other local authorities – particularly those hitting the 50% London target, a second recycling centre being built/ opened at the North London Waste Authority
	Mandatory food waste segregation for businesses	Jon Sharkey	Clir Jewell	Doug Wilkinson/ Simon Pollock	Suggested by the Executive Director, and something the Panel decided to discuss/ review/ scrutinise further.
	Fly tipping – to include enforcement and cameras	Jon Sharkey	Cllr Jewell	Doug Wilkinson/ Simon Pollock	Flytipping and enforcement are issues raised with members, and the committee would like to receive data and information on the numbers of offences, numbers of convictions, and areas of development.

					*see OSC note
22 Jan 2024	Climate Action Plan	Harriet Potemkin, Shaun Rogan	Cllr Ergin Erbil	Ian Davis	To present the updated document for Scrutiny
	Pilots Retrofitting Council Housing for Energy Efficiency	Rafe Bertram	Cllr Rick Jewell/ Cllr George Savva	Sarah Cary	With the price of energy increasing, members were keen to understand more about this issue.
12 Mar 2024	Biodiversity Net Gain	Gideon Whittington/ Karen Page	Cllr S Erbil	Brett Leahy/ Sarah Cary	There are new regulations and members wished to receive a briefing in this item.
	Quieter Neighbourhoods	Richard Eason	Cllr Jewell	Brett Leahy / Sarah Cary	Walking & Cycling Infrastructure – to include consultations that have taken place.
	Air Quality/Pollution & ULEZ	Ned Johnson/ Richard Eason	Clir Jewell	Brett Leahy / Sarah Cary	Linked to the Quiter neighbourhoods issue, members wished to know if cycling routes were having any impact on air quality
Additional Meeting date tbc	Rewilding –	Marcus Harvey/ Ian Russell	Cllr Anyanwu / Cllr Jewell	Cheryl Headon / Simon Pollock	To include Chase Landscape: Tree Planting, Wetlands, Beavers, and funding.
	Cattle Grazing at Forty Hall	Marcus Harvey/ Ian Russell	Cllr Anyanwu	Cheryl Headon / Simon Pollock	Linked to the above item, information on how this issue is progressing.
	Parks Management & Biodiversity –	Marcus Harvey	Cllr Anyanwu	Cheryl Headon / Simon	To include toilets (cleanliness & signage) and cafes in parks, grass

		Pollock	cutting, the move to tennis courts
			using a booking system, illegal
			tenting, and fishing at Grovelands
			Park, and parks and grass verges
			management more generally

FINANCE AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY PANEL 2023/24 CHAIR: CIIr Nawshad Ali

Date of meeting	Topic	Report Author	Lead Members	Executive Director/ Director	Scope
12 June 2023	Work Programme Planning				
31 October 2023	P-card payment monitoring.	Julie Barker	Cllr Tim Leaver	Fay Hammond	Update to the Panel following a Council review
	Commercial property assets and investment return/income generation	Nick Denny/ Doug Ashworth	Cllr Tim Leaver	James Wheeler	An area of interest for the Panel
	Information on Quarterly Monitoring Reports (Revenue, Capital and Performance)	Olga Bennet (capital) Kevin Bartle (revenue) Eleanor Brown (performance)	Cllr Tim Leaver	Fay Hammond	The Panel to receive regular monitoring updates
16 January 2024	Customer Service Performance data	Lee Shelsher	Cllr Ergin Erbil	Simon Pollock	Members wished to receive information with particular focus on customer service / call centre / Council Website / self serve / library hubs
	Council Companies	Will Wraxall	Cllr Leaver	Fay Hammond	how these are developed and how they operate

	Information on Quarterly Monitoring Reports (Revenue, Capital and Performance)	Olga Bennet (capital) Kevin Bartle (revenue) Eleanor Brown (performance)	Cllr Tim Leaver	Fay Hammond	The Panel to receive regular monitoring updates
6 March 2024	Budget overview on Temporary Accommodation and Housing Revenue Account	Joanne Drew Claire Eldred Olga Bennet	Cllr George Savva Cllr Tim Leaver	Sarah Cary Fay Hammond	Discussed and agreed at work planning – to be examined in depth to look at the cost to to Council of TA and if the new strategy is having a positive impact * potential cross over with Housing Panel
	Information on Quarterly Monitoring Reports (Revenue, Capital and Performance)	Olga Bennet (capital) Kevin Bartle (revenue) Eleanor Brown (performance)	Cllr Tim Leaver	Fay Hammond	The Panel to receive regular monitoring updates
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Additional Meeting date tbc	Budget for SEN children's services / care packages / transport	Neil Best	Cllr Tim Leaver Cllr Abdul Abdullahi	Fay Hammond Tony Theodoulou	To review the Budget for SEN, and developments in place that may alleviate the pressure. *Potential duplication with Children's Panel
	Procurement, including	Michael	Cllr Tim	Fay Hammond	Update to the Panel following a

	update on legislative changes.	Sprosson	Leaver	Council review and legislative changes

HEALTH & ADULT SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY 2023/24 CHAIR: CIIr James Hockney

Date of meeting 2023/24	Topic	Report Author	Lead Members	Executive Director/Director	Scope
19 June 2023	Work Programme Planning				
20 September 2023	Draft Safeguarding Adults Strategy	Sharon Burgess	Cllr Cazimoglu	Tony Theodoulou	Members to receive the annual update and briefing
	Annual Safeguarding Report	Sharon Burgess/Bharat Ayer	Cllr Cazimoglu	Tony Theodoulou	The Annual report is brought to this Panel for discussion
	Vaccinations & Immunisations	Louisa Bourlet	Cllr Cazimoglu	Dudu-Sheri- Arami	Update requested (with a focus on the uptake of childhood immunisations in the borough plus links with family hubs & community grants)
28 November 2023	Adults & Children's Social Care Annual Statutory Complaints Report	Eleanor Brown	Cllr Cazimoglu	Fay Hammond	The Annual report is brought to this Panel for discussion. Members will receive data on trends.
	Enfield Sexual Health Community Services	Fulya Yahioglu	Cllr Cazimoglu	Dudu Sheri-Arami	Members wished to receive a further update on this item.

	CQC Inspections Update (Borough Partnership Plan)	Alpesh/Nnenna	Cllr Cazimoglu	Dudu Sheri-Arami	Members wished to receive a further update on this item.
28 February 2024	Public Health - Substance Misuse	Andrew Lawrence	Cllr Cazimoglu	Dudu Sher-Arami	Update requested (to include information on the use of Nitrous Oxide 'balloons'
	Health Visiting, Breastfeeding & Women's Health (in terms of screening)		Cllr Cazimoglu	Dudu Sher-Arami	The panel have requested an indepth review of the areas listed.
	Access to Primary Care, Dental Care & Oral Health Promotion	Deborah McBeal	Led by ICS	Deborah McBeal/ICS	The Panel have requested an indepth review of services (with a key focus on Children's Dentistry Provision). Report to also include information on access to services via Technology- digital exclusion etc.
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Date TBC	Mental Health Transformation/Reforms	Deborah McBeal	ICS Led	ICS Led	The panel have requested an indepth review and what this will mean for local services in the borough (to include young people in mental health crisis following Covid)
	Integrated Care Systems	Deborah McBeal	ICS Led	Deborah McBeal/ICS Led	Update on changes and impact on LBE

HOUSING SCRUTINY PANEL 2023/24 CHAIR: Cllr Kate Anolue

Date of meeting	Topic	Lead officer	Lead Members	Executive Director/ Director	Scope
15 th June	Work Planning				
26 th Sept	Temporary Accommodation (in depth) –	Richard Sorensen/Duane Dwyer	Cllr Savva	Joanne Drew	 the causes that lead to these circumstances; the periods of time residents wait to be placed in TA and remain in TA; associated health issues (including mental health); how these issues can be resolved; the process, timeframes and turnaround for decisions regarding TA; how the council supports those with no access to public funds; homelessness; rough sleeping; sofa surfing; residents outgrowing properties; hotel and Airbnb accommodation; and section 8 & 21 (eviction) notices.
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12 th Dec	Housing Supply (in depth)	Nnenna Urum Eke and Amena	Cllr Caliskan	Joanne Drew	To include: • what the council is doing to increase supply;

		Matin			 how the council is working with partners – potential to invite and speak to housing associations, landlords and residents; and affordable housing supply for local people.
21 st Feb	Housing allocation & bidding process	Richard Sorensen	Cllr Savva	Joanne Drew	To include: • the faults/ challenges of the processes; points/eligibility; and over/under populated/occupied homes.
	Anti-social behaviour – to include: litter, alcohol, vandalism, noise, and drug use – particularly in/on estates.	Council Housing tenancy lead	Cllr Savva/Cllr Needs/ Rick Jewel	Joanne Drew/ Doug Wilkinson & Martin Rattigan/ Cheryl Headon	To include: • litter, alcohol, vandalism, noise, and drug use – particularly in/on estates. *Potential duplication with Crime
Date tbc	Housing fraud/ Illegal				To include:
	subletting etc. Legislation				Social Housing Regulation Act 2023 - implementation and impact.

REGENERATION & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT SCRUTINY PANEL 2023/24 CHAIR: Cllr Mahmut Aksanoglu

Date of meeting	Topic	Report Author	Lead Members	Executive Director/ Director	Scope
26 th June 2023	Work Planning				
12 OCT	Town Centres	Andrew Catcheside/ Richard Eason		Brett Leahy	Regeneration – How will investment impact the Borough? Enfield Town & Edmonton Green
	Economic conditions (Estate regeneration .eg Joyce & Snells)	Amena Matin to be included	Leader	Joanne Drew	Market conditions and impact on housing i.e. Joyce & Snells.
at					
1 st NOV	Local Plan	May Hope		Brett Leahy	
30 TH JAN					
30 JAN	Planning Performance	Brett Leahy		Brett Leahy	Peer Review, Backlogs & improvements should be monitored.
	Strategic Industrial land	May Hope		Brett Leahy Penny James Wheeler	Private and Council. Land value, CIL and what it means for jobs & development in the borough. How do we maximise opportunities? To include an update on on Montague

					and Claverings
26 TH MARCH	Partnerships & Skill gaps and funding	Ann-Marie Liddiard/ Nat Buckeridge		Brett Leahy	Are we using the money received to get the best we can for skills? Aligned to our Council Plan. Skills gaps
	Meridian Water	TBC	Leader	Penny Halliday	

SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23

The role that Overview and scrutiny can play in holding an authority's decisionmakers to account makes it fundamentally important to the successful functioning of local democracy.

The requirement for local authorities in England to establish overview and scrutiny committees is set out in the Local Government Act 2000.

Overview and scrutiny committees have statutory powers to scrutinise decisions taken by the executive. Overview and scrutiny committees can play a valuable role in developing policy, and recommendations following scrutiny enable improvements to services.

Scrutiny impact and value to the Council's business

The Council's approach to scrutiny aims to reflect the nationally recognised principles for good scrutiny, set out in the government guidance for local authority scrutiny, and promoted by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny:

- provides constructive "critical friend" challenge
- amplifies the voice and concerns of the public
- led by independent people who take responsibility for their role
- drives improvement in public services

The Scrutiny function acts on behalf of the community to improve services and decision making inside and outside of the Council. It provides the check and balance to the Executive, and a forum where non-executive councillors and residents can raise issues or concerns about issues or proposed decisions and have them debated with the decision makers present. The work programme for the Scrutiny committee and panels, usually focusses on areas of local concern which makes it so effective.

Work programming

Work planning sessions are held at the start of the year, and members consider topics put forward, and agree on their work programme. The Cabinet member and Executive Director attend to present the priorities and challenges for their portfolios for the coming year.

When considering whether an item should be included in the work programme, the committee's and Panels have a set of criteria that they use which includes:

- Can scrutiny add value to the issue?
- Is there evidence of public interest/concern in the topic?
- what is the purpose of the review, is there a clear objective?

The chosen topics can be scrutinised in several ways, including:

- As an item on a committee agenda this allows members to receive briefings and raise awareness of issues that effect services, or where the committee wants to maintain a formal watching brief over an item;
- At a single meeting this can provide an opportunity to have a single public meeting about a topic and look at the issues in more depth.

Effective Scrutiny Training and support

It is a priority of the Council to ensure Councillors are supported and have the opportunity to access training which will assist them in developing the skills and knowledge to support them in conducting their roles effectively.

As part of the member induction programme, Effective Scrutiny Training was delivered by the Centre for Governance and Scrutiny in June 2022 with a focus on preparing for meetings and questioning skills. Refresher training has been provided for members newly appointed to scrutiny committees and a focussed session on Chairing Skills for Chairs of committee, was provided by an external trainer in July 2022.

Support to the Chairs includes pre-meetings and briefing papers to assist in the smooth running of the meetings.

Youth Parliament members have a standing invitation to attend and speak at all Scrutiny meetings, and the Governance team and Youth Services team work to support their attendance.

Scrutiny Structure and 2022/23 work undertaken

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee acts as the overarching committee, for the Panels, and the Chair and Vice Chair of the committee and Panels are approved at Council AGM along with the wider membership. Each member of OSC chairs one of the seven standing Panels:

Below are the memberships and lists of activities undertaken by each Panel. Further detail on the Panels consideration of each item can be found on the website under the details for each meeting Overview & Scrutiny and Scrutiny Panels agendas and minutes

Overview & Scrutiny

Cllr Margaret Greer (Chair), Cllr Bektas Ozer (Vice Chair) Cllrs: Elif Erbil, Nawshad Ali, Mohammed Islam, Mike Rye, Maria Alexandrou James Hockney

- Enfield council corporate complaints annual report 2021-22;
- Grenfell Tower inquiry impact on Enfield and fire safety:
- Social housing regulation;
- Draft council plan 2023-26

Planning service response times

- Medium term financial plan 2023/24 to 2027/28 update and draft 2023/24 budget (including further new savings)
 Equalities with a focus on the reduction of inequalities across the borough
- Impact of the cost of living increases on residents in Enfield
- Meridian water update
- Fly tipping with an overview and update on statistics and improvements
- Review of leisure provision in the borough

Children's, Young People & Education

Cllr Elif Erbil (Chair), Cllr Gunes Akbulut (Vice Chairs)

Clirs: Nelly Gyosheva, Ahmet Oykener, Suna Hurman, Andrew Thorp, Ruby Sampson, Adrian Grumi

- Annual safeguarding report
- Self-evaluation framework (sef)
- Quality & consistency of school meals across the Borough
- School attendance
- Send places
- Level of care places in the borough and the national Shortage of care places
- Recruitment and retention of social workers
- Recruitment and retention of foster carers

Crime Scrutiny Panel

Cllr Mike Rye (Chair), Cllr Chris Dey (Vice Chair), Adrian Grumi Cllrs: Kate Anolue, Sinan Boztas, Ahmet Oykener, Mustafa Cetinkaya, Mahmut Aksanoglu

- HRA funded police officers/safer estates teams
- Enfield crime & anti-social behaviour performance
- Deputation on behalf of traders in Enfield Town
- Serious youth crime
- Violence against women & children
- SSCB performance management monitoring update
- Pledge for 50 additional officers in Enfield
- Streetlighting focusing on the potential impact on crime

Environment & Climate Action

Cllr Bektas Ozer (Chair), Cllr Chris James (Vice Chair)

Cllrs: Nia Stevens, Eylem Yuruk, Hivran Dalkaya, Maria Alexandrou, Joanne Laban, Peter Fallart

- Climate Action Plan review
- Proposed ULEZ expansion
- Parking across the Borough
- Review Implementation of School streets
- Waste Recycling Performance
- Air Quality

Finance & Performance

Cllr Nawshad Ali (Chair), Cllr Sabri Ozaydin (Vice Chair) Cllrs: Guney Dogan, Esin Gunes, Mahym Bedekova, Alessandro Georgiou, Julian Sampson, Paul Pratt

- Procurement
- Council Purchase cards
- Performance monitoring (sickness absence)
- Commercial Property Assests & Investments Performance
- Temporary Accommodation pressures & the Housing Rental market
- Customer services & the Council website

Health & Adult Social Care

Cllr James Hockney (Chair), Cllr Andy Milne (Vice Chair) Cllrs: Emma Supple, Nicki Adeleke, Kate Anolue, Nia Stevens, Ahmet Hasan, Eylem Yuruk

- Safeguarding Adults Annual Report
- Public Health Plan to become smoke free
- Substance misuse
- NCL Integrated care systems & Borough Partnerships Programme
- Mental Health Community transformation
- Statutory Adult Social Care complaints
- Covid Recovery
- Women's Health in Enfield
- Draft Independent Living Strategy 2023-2027

Housing Scrutiny Panel

Cllr Maria Alexandrou (Chair), Cllr Lee Chamberlain (Vice Chair) Cllrs: Tom O'Halloran, Josh Abey, Hivran Dalkaya, Nelly Gyosheva, Sinan Boztas, Ayten Guzel

- Enfield repairs direct
- Social Housing regulation Bill
- Housing Gateway Ltd- private reform
- Draft Housing growth strategy
- Delivery of sociable and affordable housing
- Housing Gateway Ltd update
- Strategy to reduce temporary accommodation & empty homes
- Preventing homelessness and rough sleeping
- Draft Council Housing assurance framework

Regeneration & Economic Development Scrutiny Panel

Cllr Mohammad Islam (Chair), Cllr Thomas Fawns (Vice Chair) Cllrs: Josh Abey, Mahmut Aksanoglu, Ayten Guzel, Edward Smith, David Skelton, Joanne Laban

- Joyce & Snells
- Meridian Water
- Industrial Estates
- CIL & S106 Annual Infrastructure Statement
- Town Centres
- Skills Academies
- Cultural Strategy

Work undertaken by the Scrutiny Panels in 2022/23 was comprehensive and provided the check and balance, and critical friend approach that is fundamental to good scrutiny.

Call-in

From time to time, the Cabinet may take a decision that causes concern to some councillors to such an extent that they believe the decision should be changed. The Local Government Act 2000 requires every council to establish a mechanism which allows for executive decisions made but not yet implemented to be 'called in' for consideration by scrutiny. This includes decisions taken by Cabinet (collective or individual) or Key decisions delegated to Executive Directors/Directors.

Call-in is intended to be used in exceptional circumstances for decisions believed to be contrary to the authority's decision making principles. By its nature it acts as a delaying mechanism.

Provisional dates are held in the Calendar of meetings in order to schedule call-in meetings at short notice.

In 2022/23, there were 6 items called-in for review. Of these, 5 confirmed the original decision, and 1 was referred back to decision maker for further consideration. Having reviewed the points made by the Committee the decision maker confirmed the original decision.

Scrutiny Evaluation 2022/23

What worked well:

- information/briefings to help build member knowledge;
- Effective support from Services, including thorough reports;
- Early influence on policies;
- Cabinet Member engagement in work programme planning.
- Keeping the agenda to one or two items allows for effective Scrutiny
- Engagement and support with the Youth Parliament;

Areas for improvement:

 It's difficult to sometimes capture the input and influence that scrutiny has, this is not always through formal recommendations, improvements in tracking may assist.

- Invite users of services to input their views into areas being scrutinised
- Performance data should be a key component for scrutiny reviews. This will be included in the Key lines of enquiry for reviews this year.