

Scrutiny Board Work Programme 2024/25

Safer Neighbourhoods and Active Communities

Standing Items:-

- Tracking and Monitoring of Recommendations to the Executive
- Work Programme (including Cabinet Forward Plan)

Meeting Date	Item	Presented by
10 September 2024	Approval of 2024/ 25 Municipal Year Work Programme	Alex Goddard/ John Swann
	Housing Repairs Update	Sarah Ager
	Strong and Resilient Neighbourhoods Strategy	James McLaughlin
5 December 2024	Homelessness and Rough Sleeper Strategy Update	Karl Robinson/ Nigel Collumbell
	Housing Repairs Update	Alan Lunt
6 February 2025	Housing Improvement and Transformation Update	Alan Lunt/ Sarah Ager
	Housing Asset Management Policies	Louis Bebb
	Spotlight Session – New Neighbourhood Model	John Swann/ James McLaughlin
	Spotlight Session – Housing Repairs	John Swann/ Sarah Ager
	Establishment of Working group to consider policy alterations	John Swann
13 March 2025	Review of Leisure Management Contract	Ben Percival
10 April 2025	Report of Tenant and Leaseholder Scrutiny Group	Nigel Collumbell
	Corporate Contact Centre update	Helen Green
	Tenant Satisfaction Measures Survey	Tom Hogan/ Nigel Collumbell

29 April 2025	Implementation of Sandwell Community Safety Strategy 2022-26 (Safer Sandwell Partnership) – to incorporate knife crime/ gang violence	Chief Supt. Kim Maddil/ Nicola Plant
	Housing Improvement and Transformation Update	Alan Lunt/ Sarah Ager

To be Scheduled

Reports of the Tenant and Leaseholder Scrutiny Group – Nigel Collumbell
Housing Co- operative - Nigel Collumbell
Anti- social behaviour and low- level crime - Nicola Plant/ Nigel Collumbell/ Chief Supt. Kim Maddil – June 2025
Marketing and Promotion Strategy for events - Ben Percival/ Matt More/ Nicola Plant (to be aligned with Visitor Services Review (below).
Visitor Services Review (Ben Percival) – To incorporate:

- Heritage Assets
- Sandwell Valley Masterplan (Commercial performance)
- Utilisation of confectionary stands in parks (including associated revenues)

Briefing Notes

Voluntary/ Community Sector Support Grants – James McLaughlin
Information on demand and provision of athletic track facilities in Sandwell – Ben Percival
Dedicated Communications support (new Neighbourhood Working arrangements) – James McLaughlin
Aids and adaptations audit and changes to managing the council housing aids and adaptations process including budget spend and forecast for next year – Sarah Ager
Feasibility of providing, fixed and fire-safe designated BBQ areas in Sandwell's green spaces – Ben Percival

Briefing Sessions

Crime Trends – October/ November 2025 (Nicola Plant/ Wendy Simms)

Spotlight Sessions
Retail encroachment and enforcement options – Nicola Plant (15 April 2025) Anti- social behaviour (town- tasking and operating model) – Nicola Plant (May/ June 2025)

Scrutiny Review
Bringing Communities Together – Councillors A Singh and Jeffcoat