

DRAFT Scrutiny Work Programmes 2022/23

Summary of main topics

Committee	Topics	Meetings
Corporate	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Inflation & Budgets 2. Staffing (incl recruitment & retention) 3. Wellington House Refurbishment 4. Gainshare 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 23 September 2022 2. 18 November 2022 3. 20 January 2023 4. 10 March 2023
Transport & Infrastructure	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) 2. Active Travel 3. Behaviour Change & Decarbonisation 4. Freight & Rail 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 22 September 2022 2. 17 November 2022 3. 19 January 2023 4. 9 March 2023
Economy	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Economy (State of the Region) 2. Cost of Living 3. Skills and the Adult Education Budget 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 21 September 2022 2. 16 November 2022 3. 18 January 2023 4. 15 March 2023
<i>All Committees</i>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mayors Pledges 2. Work programme 	

Corporate Scrutiny Committee

Meetings	Main Topic	Other topics	Objectives
23 September 2022	Inflation & Budgets	Inclusive Procurement update	Discuss the impact of inflation on all aspects of the Combined Authority and local authorities and plans for 2023 and look at the RAG assessments of projects and how these projects will be funded and prioritised going forwards.
18 November 2022	Mayor's Question Time		To question the Mayor on matters pertaining to corporate scrutiny since last November.
20 January 2023	Staffing (incl recruitment & retention)	Cyber Security update Any other corporate updates	Consider what extent the CA recruitment and retention practices need flexibility to address current labour market and the CA's struggle with retention.
10 March 2023	Wellington House Refurbishment Project	Integrated Corporate Systems Project update Any other corporate updates	Consider whether the refurbishment has achieved what it set out to, and the office is fit for purpose and whether it remained within budget and added value.
Workshop TBC	Gainshare		Discuss how the Gainshare funding has been spent, what plans are in motion for 2023 – as well as how inflation impacts Gainshare.

Transport & Infrastructure Scrutiny Committee

Meetings	Main topics	Objectives
22 September 2022	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Bus Service Improvement Plan (BSIP) update 2. Flexi Bus Scheme update 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Continue to monitor the progress and implementation of the BSIP. 2. Monitor the Flexi Bus Scheme pilot and consider its success and possibility for further rollout
17 November 2022	Active Travel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Review consultation processes and the success of active travel in the region and whether consultations involve residents. 2. Look into 'Low Traffic Neighbourhoods', 'the last mile' and possibility and accessibility of e-bikes for active travel
19 January 2023	Mayor's Question Time	To question the Mayor on matters pertaining to transport scrutiny since last January.
9 March 2023	Freight & Rail (incl waterway infrastructure)	Consider the feasibility and advantages/disadvantages of using the waterway infrastructure for freight.
Working Group TBC	Behaviour Change (Decarbonisation)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider methods used and research conducted by the 'Nudge Unit' and 'Tyndall Manchester' to influence behaviour change. 2. Consider accessibility for people with disabilities. Consider the influence of developers and planning on encouraging people to use public transport services.

Economy Scrutiny Committee

Meetings	Topic	Sub-topics	Objectives
21 September 2022	1. The Economy; 'State of the Region'	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Green Economy 2. Brexit 3. Future Jobs 4. Business Growth Programme 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss and consider the impact of elements such as buses and Brexit on the wider and regional economy. 2. Consider whether the £6 million of capital grants to manufacturers (for procurement of machinery etc.) is giving a tangible return on the investment.
	2. Cost of Living		Discuss and consider the current and evolving cost of living crisis and how it effects the economy and businesses.
16 November 2022	Skills and the Adult Education Budget	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Labour Market Assessment 2. Devolution Deal powers and functions 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Discuss current and future skills needs and how the adult education budget meets the short term and long term needs. 2. Identify other possible funding sources. 3. Consider whether the £65 million devolution deal commissioned to FE providers has been well spent, what success looks like and how we compare to other regions.
18 January 2023	TBC		
15 March 2023	Mayor's Question Time		To question the Mayor on matters pertaining to economy scrutiny since last March.