
Report to:	Economy Scrutiny Committee
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Subject:	Economy Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23

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1. Purpose of this report

- 1.1 To note the final, summarised Economy Scrutiny Work Programme for the 2022/23 municipal year.

2. Information

Economy Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23

- 2.1 The Work Programme (**Appendix 1**) is set at the beginning of the year and considered at each meeting where it can be amended and changed as the year progresses. It outlines the work the Economy Scrutiny Committee has agreed to undertake, investigate, and focus on in the municipal year (June 2022 – June 2023) within the resources, remit, and powers available.

Referrals to scrutiny

- 2.2 Under Scrutiny Standing Order 7, any Scrutiny Member, any Combined Authority Member, or any elected Member of a West Yorkshire council (or the City of York Council) may formally refer a matter to the Committee for consideration. The referral must be in writing to the Statutory Scrutiny Officer. The Committee must then consider and discuss the referral and respond to the referrer explaining whether it will consider the matter further and why.
- 2.3 There are no formal referrals for this committee to consider.

Key decisions and call in

- 2.4 Scrutiny members may call in any decision of the Mayor, Combined Authority, a decision-making committee, and any key decisions taken by an officer (with the exception of urgent decisions). Key decisions are defined as any decision

incurring a financial cost or saving of £1 million or more, or a decision likely to have a significant effect on two or more wards.

- 2.5 Decision-makers have two days to publish notice of a decision, at which point scrutiny members have five working days to call in the decision, delaying its implementation, and formally requiring the decision maker to reconsider.
- 2.6 Any five members of a scrutiny Committee – including at least one member from two different constituent councils (West Yorkshire) – may call-in a decision by notifying the Statutory Scrutiny Officer in writing by 4.00 pm on the fifth working day following publication of a decision notice. The relevant scrutiny committee then has 14 days to scrutinise the decision and make recommendations. Further information is set out in Scrutiny Standing Order 14.
- 2.7 The latest key decisions and forward plans of key decisions are published and available for viewing on the [key decisions section of the Combined Authority's website](#).

Membership

- 2.8 Since the last meeting, there has been a change in membership.
- Councillor Sam Firth was appointed as a member of the West Yorkshire Combined Authority leaving a Leeds Conservative vacancy on this Committee.

Actions for Scrutiny Officers

- 2.9 As outlined in Scrutiny Standing Order 17, scrutiny officers provide support to a scrutiny committee's work programme and all scrutiny members in exercising their scrutiny duties and fulfilling their objectives.

3. Tackling the Climate Emergency Implications

- 3.1 There are no climate emergency implications directly arising from this report.

4. Inclusive Growth Implications

- 4.1 There are no inclusive growth implications directly arising from this report.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1 There are no financial implications directly arising from this report.

6. Legal Implications

- 6.1 There are no legal implications directly arising from this report.

7. Staffing Implications

7.1 There are no staffing implications directly arising from this report.

8. External Consultees

8.1 No external consultations have been undertaken.

9. Recommendations

9.1 To note the Economy Scrutiny Work Programme for 2022/23.

10. Background Documents

[Key Decision Forward Plans – 2022/23](#)

11. Appendices

Appendix 1 – Joint Scrutiny Work Programme 2022/23