

Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2025-26

Environment, Communities and Partnerships

Forward Agendas

Meeting Date	Pre-Scrutiny	Scrutiny Review
10 th July 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One Leisure Independent Review Update• Revised Climate Action Plan	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• One Leisure Annual Review• The Annual Climate Report
4 th September 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Play Sufficiency• Huntingdon Sport and Health Hub – RIBA Stage 2 (Private)	
14 th October 2025		
6 th November 2025		
4 th December 2025		

Pending Agenda Items

Meeting Date	Item	Recommendation	Outcome
July	Paxton Pits Contract Renewal	Send straight to Cabinet	

O&S Topics Identified For Future Meetings

Subject	Proposer	Brief	Status
Community Safety Partnerships		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consider bringing forward a paper to review and understand what Huntingdonshire District Council has done or is currently doing in relation to the Community Safety Partnership (CSP). • Given the importance of community safety, I believe it would be beneficial to examine the CSP's activities, outcomes, and any ongoing initiatives to ensure transparency and alignment with local needs, thus improve local understanding. • Is it working, could this be improved? 	Progress – schedule on to agenda
Right to Grow	Cllr Hassall	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Following motion to Council 	Progress – schedule on to agenda
Integrated Care		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Collaborative working between HDC and NHS • Reducing inequalities – health, housing, growth 	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs
Hinchingsbrooke Hospital		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on redevelopment works • Big organisations making a difference locally, local recruitment • Link to preventative and integrated care 	
Open Spaces in Huntingdonshire		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HDC owned – HCP, Paxton Pits • Great Fen • Green spaces perspective and how links with the local plan • Access for residents – health lifestyles, mental health, OLAL • Purpose of open spaces, and strategic use of them • Mental Health, Well-being • Wildlife corridors 	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs

Customer Service Model		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community support • Merits of speed of customer contact versus depth of discussion and customer outcome 	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs
Huntingdonshire's Legacy		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Culture and influence of Huntingdonshire • Creating a legacy for the district 	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs

Working Groups

Climate Working Group
<p>Members: Cllrs T D Alban, J Kerr, C Lowe and D Shaw</p> <p>Lead Officer: Neil Sloper</p>
<p>Progress:</p> <p>November 2022: Initial Meetings held to establish Terms of Reference for the group.</p> <p>April 2023: Regular meetings established. Evidence and information gathering to be progressed. Group to be involved in the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy Development.</p> <p>January 2024: Meetings held to discuss proposed work plan for the group and to discuss HVO Fuels project</p> <p>November 2024: Meeting to discuss future proposed projects</p> <p>January 2025: Group met to review the HVO draft report prior to its consideration by the Panel</p> <p>Next Steps: Review the membership of the group and increase the membership to 6 Councillors Meetings to be scheduled to allow involvement in proposed works.</p>

Disabled Facilities Grants Group
<p>Members: I P Taylor, B Banks, C Tevlin and C Lowe</p> <p>Lead Officer: Claudia Deeth</p>
<p>Progress:</p> <p>February 2024: Councillors invited to express their interest in being involved with the project.</p> <p>August 2024: initial meeting held and scope of project discussed</p> <p>February 2025: Further meeting held to update the group on the progress of the project</p> <p>Next Steps: DFG team to arrange ongoing schedule of meetings</p>

