

# Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2025-26 - Performance and Growth

## Forward Agendas

Meeting Date	Pre-Scrutiny	Scrutiny Review
3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Performance Report 2025/26 (Quarter 1)</li> <li>Local Government Outcomes Framework Initial Consultation Response</li> <li>Commercial Investment Strategy (Private)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Peer Challenge Update 2025/26 Q1</li> <li>Planning Enforcement</li> </ul>
8 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Community Infrastructure Levy Funding</li> <li>Transformation Approach and Plan</li> </ul>	
5 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Performance Report 2025/26 (Quarter 2)</li> <li>Treasury Management 6 Month Performance Review</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Corporate Peer Challenge Update 2025/26 Q2</li> </ul>
3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2025		

## Unscheduled Agenda Items

Item	Notes	Progress
Local Plans	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Engagement with Parishes and residents – ease of submitting responses</li> </ul>	
Market Towns Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lessons learnt following project completion</li> </ul>	

Market Towns Project – Ramsey	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Requested to see progress and development of the projects plans involving Ramsey</li> </ul>	
CIL Strategic Allocation		
Local Development Order for Brampton Cross		
Housing Strategy Refresh		
Decision to implement 2025/26 Parking Fees		
Parking Strategy Refresh		Under development, anticipated for inclusion in the democratic cycle in Spring 2026

## O&S Topics Identified For Further Consideration

Subject	Brief	Status
Huntingdonshire Evening Economy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Huntingdonshire's Evening Economy - supporting the night-time economy across our District</li> <li>How HDC currently supports the evening economy across our market towns and rural areas (possibly across financial/business support, safety, growth, CCTV service, rural rates relief policies), as well as how we can influence our partners to provide further support for this strategic sector (including wider economic support, skills and employment).</li> </ul>	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs

# Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme 2025-26 - Environment, Communities and Partnerships

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Meeting Date	Pre-Scrutiny	Scrutiny Review
4 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Energy Strategy</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Right to Grow</li> <li>Council Tax Premium Working Group – to appoint members</li> </ul>
14 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Huntingdon Sport and Health Hub – RIBA Stage 2 (Private)</li> </ul>	
6 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Play Sufficiency</li> <li>Council Tax Support 2026/27</li> </ul>	
4 <sup>th</sup> December 2025		

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Fleet Decarbonisation Project	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Report under development and discussed with the Climate working group for initial feedback</li> </ul>	Report being finalised prior to scheduling onto the democratic cycle of meetings in the Autumn.
Community Safety Partnerships	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Consider bringing forward a paper to review and understand what Huntingdonshire District Council has done or is currently doing in relation</li> </ul>	Report being developed ahead of scheduling onto the Agenda.

	<p>to the Community Safety Partnership (CSP).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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.</li> <li>Is it working, could this be improved?</li> </ul>	
Community Health and Wealth Update	Following the project launch an update on initial feedback and successes will be brought to the Panel.	Report being developed ahead of scheduling onto the Agenda.

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Civil Parking Enforcement Update	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An update on implementation and feedback on progress was requested by Councillor Alban at the July meeting of the Panel</li> </ul>	Investigating with Officers an appropriate time to schedule onto the agenda
Hinchingbrooke Hospital	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on redevelopment works</li> <li>Big organisations making a difference locally, local recruitment</li> <li>Link to preventative and integrated care</li> </ul>	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs
Open Spaces in Huntingdonshire	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>HDC owned – HCP, Paxton Pits</li> <li>Great Fen</li> <li>Green spaces perspective and how links with the local plan</li> <li>Access for residents – health lifestyles, mental health, OLAL</li> <li>Purpose of open spaces, and strategic use of them</li> </ul>	More info and scoping requested from Cllrs

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

## Working Groups

Climate Working Group
<b>Members:</b> Cllrs N Hunt, T D Alban, M Hassall, C Lowe, B Pitt and D Shaw <b>Lead Officer:</b> Adjusted to suit the topic, enquiries to B Buddle
<b>Progress:</b> <b>November 2022:</b> Initial Meetings held to establish Terms of Reference for the group. <b>April 2023:</b> Regular meetings established. Evidence and information gathering to be progressed. Group to be involved in the Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy Development. <b>January 2024:</b> Meetings held to discuss proposed work plan for the group and to discuss HVO Fuels project <b>November 2024:</b> Meeting to discuss future proposed projects <b>January 2025:</b> Group met to review the HVO draft report prior to its consideration by the Panel <b>August 2025:</b> Group scheduled to meet twice to discuss both the Energy Strategy and the Fleet Decarbonisation Project for initial feedback prior to their inclusion in the democratic cycle of meetings over Autumn 2025 <b>Next Steps:</b> Meetings to be scheduled to allow involvement in proposed works.
Disabled Facilities Grants Group
<b>Members:</b> I P Taylor, B Banks, C Tevlin and C Lowe <b>Lead Officer:</b> Claudia Deeth
<b>Progress:</b> <b>February 2024:</b> Councillors invited to express their interest in being involved with the project. <b>August 2024:</b> initial meeting held and scope of project discussed <b>February 2025:</b> Further meeting held to update the group on the progress of the project <b>Next Steps:</b> DFG team to arrange ongoing schedule of meetings