

EMPLOYMENT, BUSINESS AND INVESTMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Work Programme from January 2019

Please note that the forward work programme is a 'live' document and subject to change at short notice.

The information in this work programme is subject to agreement at the next meeting on 9 January 2019.

The order in which items are listed at this stage may not reflect the order they subsequently appear on the agenda / are dealt with at the scrutiny meeting. Please note that for items marked as 'part 2' it is recommended that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during its consideration in accordance with the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

For general enquiries relating to the Council's scrutiny function, including this committee's work programme, please contact Tracy Davies, Scrutiny Facilitator, Scrutiny Team on 292258.

For administrative arrangements such as enquiries relating to report dispatch dates, venue layouts, setting up of presentations, etc., please contact Marie Russell, Committee Officer, Committee and Member Services on 292241.

All Meetings start at 4.00pm in the Guildhall, Wrexham, unless otherwise stated.

DATE OF MEETING	SUBJECT	PURPOSE OF REPORT	EXPECTED OUTCOME	LEAD MEMBER/ CONTACT OFFICER
6 February 2019	Rural Development Programme 2014-2020 (LEADER element)	<p>To consider whether sufficient progress is being made in the implementation of the programme in rural Wrexham. Report to include:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of projects found to be feasible or successfully piloted which have been applied to larger mainstream funds to be rolled out more widely. • Separation of staffing costs from the animation budget and a further breakdown of the administration function and costs. <p>(Agreed at the meeting held on 6 June 2018).</p>	To support the regeneration of rural areas of Wrexham .	Cadwyn Clwyd Cyfngedig/ Scrutiny Facilitator
6 March 2019	Helping New Businesses & Community Enterprises In Wrexham	<p>To consider how the council provides practical support for new business start-ups and community enterprises. Report to include Current function and resources of the Council's business support and development (to include specific details about support provided for community enterprises and cooperatives); Progress against the opportunities highlighted in the previous report (HHE/53/16S) to Committee in December 2016; Performance against key outcome measures in the Council Plan; examples of existing social enterprises that have been supported. Agreed at meeting held on 5 September 2018.</p>	Improving opportunities for new businesses thereby creating a more resilient local economy.	Lead Member for Economy – Economic Development & Regeneration, Councillor Terry Evans/ Head of Housing and Economy

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3 April 2019	Provision of small industrial units for the economic development estate	To explore potential for additional investment in the provision of small industrial units for the economic development estate. As agreed at the meeting held on 5 September 2018	To assist local firms, support the attraction of investment and the creation and retention of jobs in the County Borough	Economy – Economic Development & Regeneration, Councillor Terry Evans/ Head of Housing & Economy
1 May 2019				
13 June 2019	Markets Strategic Asset Management Plan (SAMP) 2016-21	To consider progress report on the implementation of the SAMP. Report to include feedback from the market traders, costings against the action plan and a breakdown of expenditure of the marketing budget, as agreed at the meeting held on 6 June 2018.	To maintain continued investment in Wrexham Town Centre Markets	Economy – Economic Development & Regeneration, Councillor Terry Evans/ Head of Housing & Economy

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3 July 2019	Tŷ Pawb	<p>To consider the annual performance monitoring report for the first 12 months of operation of Tŷ Pawb. Report to include the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • More detailed breakdown of income and expenditure. • Action Plan of the Tŷ Pawb Advisory Board. • Feedback from volunteers, traders and visitors to Tŷ Pawb. <p>(Agreed at the meeting held on 5 December 2018)</p>	To optimise opportunities for its success.	People - Communities, Partnerships, Public Protection & Community Safety, Councillor Hugh Jones/ Head of Housing & Economy
September 2019	Tackling Poverty Strategy Action Plan 2018/19	To consider a progress report on the implementation of the Strategy (Agreed at the meeting held on 7 November 2018).	To reduce poverty in Wrexham County Borough	People – Youth Services and Anti-Poverty/ Head of Finance

Items to be scheduled

AGREED AT MEETING HELD ON:	SUBJECT	PURPOSE OF REPORT	EXPECTED OUTCOME	LEAD MEMBER/ CONTACT OFFICER
4 July and 5 September 2018	North Wales Growth Bid	Developments of the North Wales Growth Bid to inform the work programme of the Committee over the next 12-18 months.	To maximise opportunities to support the Wrexham economy.	Organisation – Finance, Performance, Health & Safety and Governance/ Head of Housing and Economy
4 July 2018	North Wales Digital Connectivity Strategy (All Member Workshop)	To further develop Members' understanding of opportunities arising from the North Wales Digital Connectivity Strategy.	Improved awareness and understanding of the digital connectivity issues across North Wales.	Organisation – Finance, Performance, Health & Safety and Governance/ GreySky Consultants
4 July 2018	North Wales Digital Connectivity Strategy	To consider the planned actions and risk assessment for the delivery of the North Wales Digital Connectivity Strategy, as agreed at the meeting held on 4 July 2018, following approval of the funding and Heads of Terms in respect for the North Wales Growth Bid.	To optimise digital connectivity opportunities for Wrexham	Organisation – Finance, Performance, Health & Safety and Governance, Councillor Mark Pritchard/ Lead Project Officer for the NW Digital Connectivity Strategy

Information Items

ITEM	Expected date of circulation	PURPOSE OF REPORT	RESPONSIBLE OFFICER/ CONTACT OFFICER
Rural Development Programme (RDP)	Quarterly	To receive a quarterly updates on the development of projects in Wrexham, to include details of consultation events in local communities. Agreed at the meeting held on 24 May 2016.	Scrutiny Facilitator/ Cadwyn Clwyd Cyfyngedig.(Lead Delivery Body)
Tracking of Young People aged 18-24	July 2019	To receive a brief update on the progress made in the sharing of information between agencies in respect of young people aged 18-24, as agreed at the meeting held on 4 July 2018.	Head of Education
Tackling Poverty Strategy Action Plan 2018/19	tbc	To receive a revised version of the Action Plan, as requested at the meeting held on 7 November 2018.	Head of Finance