



BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL

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FORWARD PLAN FOR 2017/2018

The table below is a draft of the forward plan for the Mid Suffolk Overview and Scrutiny Committee. This table will be reviewed at each meeting and could be amended in the light of new items arising or as a result of items on the Forthcoming Decisions List being selected for scrutiny.

Date of Committee – 22 January 2018

Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer	Joint Strategic plan reference
Draft Joint Medium Term Financial Strategy and 2017/18 Budget.	To scrutinise the papers before final presentation to Full Council and to make any suggestions of changes felt appropriate.		Financially Sustainable Councils
Investment Strategy	To scrutinise the Business Plan before final presentation to Full Council and to make any suggestions felt appropriate.	Louise Rawsthorne Assistant Director – Investment and Commercial Delivery.	Financially Sustainable Councils
Introduction of Fixed Terms Tenancies		Sue Lister – Corporate Manager – Housing Options	

19 February 2018

Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer	Joint Strategic plan reference
Waste Strategy.	Review the Waste Strategy prior to it going to Cabinet, to ensure that the waste strategy is	Chris Fry Assistant Director – Environment	Financially sustainable Councils.

Future Options for the HQ Sites	Pre-scrutiny of the report before presentation to Cabinet 8 March	Louise Rawsthorne – Investment and Commercial Delivery Ian Winslett – Interim Development and Investment Executive	
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19 March 2018

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The Five -year Land Supply	To discuss how Overview and Scrutiny can add value to progress on this. (Scoping exercise?)	Tom Barker – Assistant Director – Planning for Growth	
Cost of the move to Endeavour House			Financially sustainable Councils

23 April 2018

Joint Committee with Mid Suffolk District Council

Topic	Purpose	Lead Officer	Joint Strategic plan reference
Babergh and Mid Suffolk Building Services (BMBS)	12 months review after the implementation of the services This to include reporting back to the committee on progress in implementing the actions drawn up to reduce the days council properties are void.	Justin Wright - Newton Corporate Manager - BMBS	
Staff Welfare	Reviewing the impact, the office move has had on staff with the aim of learning points for other future major change activities. This to be a joint meeting with Mid Suffolk Overview and Scrutiny.	Anne Conway Corporate Manager HR & OD Katherine Steel Assistant Director – Corporate Resources	

Leisure Strategy (key Decision for Cabinet Dec 2017)	To scrutinise the paper presented to Cabinet	Chris Fry Assistant Director - Environments and Projects	
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21 May 2018

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Future Babergh Overview and Scrutiny Committee Meetings:

18 June 2018	22 October 2018 An update on the Homelessness Reduction Act (2017)
23 July 2018	19 November 2018
20 August 2018	17 December 2018
17 September 2018 Crime and Disorder Panel meeting	

Topics identified for review by O&S but not currently timetabled:

Community Grants

Strong and safe communities was asked to report back following a 'health check' of the groups receiving grants. (To be an Information Bulletin) **TBC**

Fuel Poverty

Reporting back to the Committee on the changes incorporated into the Joint Fuel Poverty Strategy – Consider if further action is needed at this stage, in the light of it being incorporated into a Suffolk-wide strategy

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Update on the outcome from the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee 18 December,

Pre-planning Applications

A review based on a scoping exercise

Crime and Disorder Panel meeting

Required to take place at least once a year, provisionally agreed to take place in **September** of each year.

An update on the Homelessness Reduction Act (2017)

Six months after the implementation of the Act **October 2018**.

Other topics identified:

- Void Times in Council Properties
- Home ownership review

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