

REVIEW OF THE BABERGH, MID SUFFOLK AND JOINT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEES

Review of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees 2019/20 - Thematic Examination

Please use the lists below to consider the Lessons learnt, improvements and achievements and the attached list of all the topics covered during the past year in all the Babergh, Mid Suffolk and Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committees

TO CONSIDER

What worked and why?

What didn't work and why?

What lessons were learnt?

What recommendations would this Joint Committee make to future BMSDC O&S committees? To be summarised at the end of the item if possible.

THEMES.

Many of these themes will inevitably cross over into each other, but the themes should provide a starting point for open discussion.

Training

Chairs Briefings and Officer report preparation

Pre-meeting for half an hour

Cabinet and Member involvement in meetings

Use of Witnesses

Quality of reports

Committee Member involvement and potential for working groups and Member responsibility

Time management in meetings

Scoping of topics

Major reports (Not item by item, but using these as illustration)

Information Bulletins (Not item by item, but using these as illustration)

Adding Value

Recommendations to Cabinet, Council and Officers

Cabinet and Forthcoming Decisions List

Chairs report to Council

Summary recommendations to future Committees