

# BABERGH OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE WORK PLAN 2023/24:

| TOPIC  | PURPOSE  | LEAD OFFICER                                  | CABINET MEMBER                                      |
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| <b>18 SEPTEMBER 2023</b>   |  |   |   |
| <b>Review on current levels of untreated sewage discharges to waters in Babergh and Mid Suffolk</b>    | For Anglian Water, the Environment Agency, and Natural England to provide an update on river quality as per the motion passed by Council in November 2022. | Director - Operations                         | Cabinet Member for Environment                      |
| <b>23 OCTOBER 2023</b>   |  |   |   |
| <b>Annual Review of the Joint Homes and Housing Strategy</b>   | To conduct the Committee's annual scrutiny of the progress towards the Strategy's objectives and outputs.  | Director - Housing                            | Cabinet Member for Housing                          |
| <b>20 NOVEMBER 2023</b>  |  |   |   |
| <b>Draft General Fund (GF) and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) – A review of the 2024/25 Assumptions</b> | To scrutinise the draft versions of the General Fund and the Housing Revenue Account before the final figures are presented to the Committee in January.   | Director – Corporate Resources                | Cabinet Member for Finance, Assets, and Investments |
| <b>Homelessness Reduction and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2024</b>   | To review the new Homelessness Strategy as required by the Homelessness Act (2002)   | Director – Housing                            | Cabinet Member for Housing                          |
| <b>18 DECEMBER 2023</b>  |  |   |   |
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| <b>22 JANUARY 2024</b>   |  |   |   |
| <b>General Fund (GF) and Housing Revenue Account (HRA) 2024/25</b>                                     | To scrutinise the Budgets before recommendation and approval by the Cabinet and Full Council.  | Director – Corporate Resources                | Cabinet Member for Finance, Assets, and Investments |
| <b>Review of the Implementation of the Culture, Heritage, and Visitor Economy Strategy</b>             | To review the progress of the Strategy's implementation plan – requested to come to this Committee by Members in January 2023.                             | Director – Economic Growth and Climate Change | Cabinet Member for Economic Growth                  |

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| <b>19 FEBRUARY 2024</b> |  |  |  |
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| <b>18 MARCH 2024</b>    |  |  |  |
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| <b>22 APRIL 2024</b>    |  |  |  |
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| <b>13 MAY 2024</b>      |  |  |  |
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**Topics still to be timetabled:**

- **Planning Enforcement** – Review of cases and consultations with external organisations
- **Social Housing** – Review of existing caseload and resources needed for repairs to meet new and improved standards
- **Town Regeneration** – Identifying issues regarding our town centres and how we can increase footfall / use of services in key areas through extra support
- **Accessibility to services** – Reviewing what barriers are in the way of the public contacting us via the website, telephone, and customer service points.