

Environment and Communities Committee Work Programme 2025-26

Report Reference	Title	Purpose of Report	Lead Officer	Consultation	Equality Impact Assessment	Part of Budget and Policy Framework	Exempt Item	Is the report for decision or scrutiny?
13 November 2025								
EC/07/25-26	Second Financial Review of 2025/26	To note and comment on the Second Financial Review and Performance position of 2025/26, including progress on policy proposals and material variances from the MTFS and (if necessary) approve Supplementary Estimates and Virements	Interim Executive Director of Resources (S151 Officer)	No	No	Yes	No	Scrutiny
EC/06/25-26	Local Plan Update	To provide an update to members on the progress in delivering the new Local Plan.	Director of Planning and Environment	Yes	Yes	No	No	Decision
EC/08/25-26	Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2026/27 - 2029/30	All committees are being asked to provide feedback in relation to their financial responsibilities as identified within the Constitution and linked to the budgets approved by the Finance Sub-Committee in 2025. Responses to the consultation would be reported to the Corporate Policy Committee to support that Committee in making recommendation to Council on changes to the current financial strategy	Interim Executive Director of Resources (S151 Officer)	No	No	Yes	No	Scrutiny
EC/09/25-26	Statement of Gambling Principles	To approve the Statement of Gambling Principles 2026-2029.	Director of Planning and Environment	Yes	No	Yes	No	Decision
EC/22/25-26	Local Nature Recovery Strategy	To decide whether to adopt the Local Nature Recovery Strategy	Head of Planning	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Decision
EC/03/25-26	Review of CCTV Service - update	For the Committee to scrutinise various elements of the ongoing review including external funding matters.	Director of Planning and Environment	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Scrutiny
29 January 2026								
EC/12/25-26	Third Financial Review of 2025/26	To note and comment on the Third Financial Review and Performance position of 2025/26, including progress on policy proposals and material variances from the MTFS and (if necessary) approve Supplementary Estimates and Virements	Interim Executive Director of Resources (S151 Officer)	No	No	Yes	No	Scrutiny

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EC/13/25-26	Medium Term Financial Strategy Consultation 2026/27 - 2029/30 Provisional Settlement Update	All Committees are being asked to provide feedback in relation to their financial responsibilities as identified in the Constitution and linked to the budgets approved by the Finance Sub Committee in 2025. Responses to the consultation would be reported to the Corporate Policy Committee in making recommendations to Council on changes to the current financial strategy. Finance Sub Committee will also receive an update on the Local Government Financial Provisional Settlement	Interim Executive Director of Resources (S151 Officer)	Yes	No	Yes	No	Scrutiny
EC/14/25-26	Carbon Neutral Programme	To update on the Council's carbon neutral plan target of 2030 and the annual 2045 Action Plan summary.	Director of Planning and Environment	No	No	No	No	Scrutiny
EC/15/25-26	Local Plan Update	To provide an update to members on the progress in delivering the new Local Plan.	Director of Planning and Environment	Yes	Yes	No	No	Decision
EC/16/24-25	Strategic Leisure Review - Implementation Update	To provide an update to Committee in relation to the implementation of the initiatives brought forward under the Strategic Leisure Review and where appropriate set out any additional savings proposals.	Director of Planning and Environment	Yes	Yes	No	No	Decision /Scrutiny
26 March 2026								
EC/16/25-26	Service Budgets 2026/2027	The purpose of the report is to set out the allocation of budgets for 2026/27, for all Committees, following Council's approval of the Medium Term Financial Strategy in February 2026, as determined by Finance Sub	Interim Executive Director of Resources (S151 Officer)	No	No	Yes	No	Scrutiny
EC/17/25-26	Animal Welfare Licensing Policy	To approve a reviewed and updated Animal Welfare Licensing Policy 2026-2029	Director of Planning and Environment	TBC	No	No	Yes	Decision

Briefing Reports/Reports for noting

Title	Purpose of Report	Lead Officer	Expected Circulation Date via the Members Hub
Cleaner Crewe - Project Update	To consider an update on the initial implementation phase of the project.	Head of Environmental Services	September 2025

Note: These reports will be circulated outside of committee meetings.

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