

Request for consideration of an issue by Overview and Scrutiny

Guidance on the use of this form:

This form is for use by councillors and members of the public who want to request that an item joins an Overview and Scrutiny agenda. Any issue may be suggested, provided it affects the BCP area or the inhabitants of the area in some way. Scrutiny of the issue can only be requested once in a 12 month period.

The form may also be used for the reporting of a referral item to Overview and Scrutiny by another body of the council, such as Cabinet or Council.

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee receiving the request will make an assessment of the issue using the detail provided in this form and determine whether to add it to its forward plan of work.

They may take a variety of steps to progress the issue, including requesting more information on it from officers of the council, asking for a member of the overview and scrutiny committee to 'champion' the issue and report back, or establishing a small working group of councillors to look at the issue in more detail.

If the Committee does not agree to progress the issue it will set out reasons for this and they will be provided to the person submitting this form.

More information can be found at Part 4.C of the BCP Council Constitution
<https://democracy.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/ieListMeetings.aspx?CommitteeID=151&Info=1&bcr=1>

Please complete all sections as fully as possible

1. Issue requested for scrutiny

Cliff and Coastal Erosion Management. Suggestion raised by Councillor Richard Herrett, the Cabinet member for Destination, Leisure and Commercial Operations.

2. Desired outcome resulting from Overview and Scrutiny engagement, including the value to be added to the Council, the BCP area or its inhabitants.

A deep dive into the following lines of enquiry:

- How BCP manages its coastal and cliff erosion now and into the future
- What are the challenges?

- How is this area of work funded and how will it be funded in the future?
- How is this work communicated to residents and wider public?

3. Background to the issue

Scrutiny suggestion raised by the Portfolio Holder following cliff slips in the BCP area over the last year, with a view to ensuring that the council is doing everything it can in relation to coastal management and managing the impact on our residents, visitors and the area as a whole.

4. Proposed method of scrutiny - (for example, a committee report or a working group investigation)

To be determined by the O&S committee

5. Key dates and anticipated timescale for the scrutiny work

As soon as work programme capacity allows.

6. Notes/ additional guidance

Note from Overview and Scrutiny Specialist - this suggestion is raised by the Portfolio Holder to a scrutiny committee in line with the Council Constitution (O&S Procedure Rule 4.2)

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