

BCP Council Environment and Place Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Work Plan. Updated 30.06.25

Guidance notes:

- 2/3 items per committee meeting is the recommended maximum for effective scrutiny.
- The Environment and Place O&S Committee will approach work through a lens of **SUSTAINABILITY**
- Items requiring further scoping are identified and should be scoped using the Key Lines of Enquiry tool.

	Subject and background	How will the scrutiny be done?	Lead Officer/Portfolio Holder	Report Information
Meeting Date: 19 November 2025				
1.	Waste Strategy Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole To consider a Cabinet report which presents the new waste strategy for BCP.	Pre-decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet Report	PH – Climate Response, Environment and Energy, Cllr Andy Hadley	Item scheduled on the Cabinet FP – It was agreed to add this item to the Work Plan in 2025.
2.	Southern Inshore Fisheries Association - a representative will attend to talk about their work.	Presentation and Questions	Cllr Andy Hadley	Committee information session on the work of the fisheries.
3.	O & S Annual Report – For information Only	Report	Lindsay Marshall	O & S Annual report
Briefing Date: 3 December 2025 – No topic currently scheduled				
Briefing Date: 14 January 2026 – No topic currently scheduled				
Meeting Date: 25 February 2026				
1.	Annual Climate Report	Committee Report	Cllr Andy Hadley	Annual item requested by committee.
2.	Homelessness and Rough Sleeping Strategy 2026-2031 - NEW	Pre – Decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet Report	Cllr Kieron Wilson	

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3.	Reserved for proactive Scrutiny matters			
Briefing Date: 18 March 26				
Vanlife – update from officers around information the Council already hold.				
Briefing Date: 15 April 26 – No item currently scheduled.				
Meeting Date: 20 May 2026				
1.	Local Transport Plan	Pre-decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet Report	PH – Climate Response, Environment and Energy, Cllr Andy Hadley	It was agreed to add this item to the work plan following the transfer of this function from the O & S Board – Item schedule on Cabinet FP date changed to May 26
2.	Housing Strategy Review - NEW	Pre-decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet Report	Cllr Kieron Wilson	
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Items with Dates to be allocated:				
1.	Climate and Nature The purpose of this report is to support work relating to climate and nature by determining a scrutiny process focused on the relevant key priorities within the Corporate Plan.	TBC - Needs to be Scoped using Kloe Document	PH – Climate Response, Environment and Energy, Cllr Andy Hadley	Report Information KLOE Document
2.	Redhill Paddling Pool	Needs to be Scoped using KLOE Document	TBC	Item added to the work plan in April 2025 following a referral from Council in response to a petition.

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	To investigate how Council arrived at the current situation and investigate ways to keep the paddling pool open and report back to full Council.			KLOE Document
3.	Christchurch Harbour To consider options for a potential Christchurch Harbour Protection Policy and inclusion in the Local Plan.	Needs to be scoped using KLOE Document	PH – Climate Response, Environment and Energy, Cllr Andy Hadley / Leader of the Council	This item was agreed to be added to the work plan at the meeting in May 2025.
4.	Achieving Carbon Emission Neutrality To consider how the committee can contribute to and support the council in reaching its net zero targets by 2030.	TBC - Further work on this will be informed by the LAEP report. It may include: • Vehicle Fleet • Housing, • Energy Supply Procurement Strategy.	PH – Climate Response, Environment and Energy, Cllr Andy Hadley	It was agreed to add this to the Work Plan in November 2024 following recommendations from the Budget framework working group
5.	Community Owned Renewable Energy To consider in-depth, options around community owned renewable energy and support provided for this from the Council.	TBC – KLOE Document to be completed	PH – Climate Response, Environment and Energy, PH – Community and Partnerships	It was agreed to add this to the Work Plan in November 2024 following recommendations from the Budget framework working group
6.	Temporary Accommodation Strategy To consider the development of the Temporary Accommodation Strategy at an appropriate time in its development.	TBC	PH - Housing	It was agreed to add this to the Work Plan in November 2024 following recommendations from the Budget framework working group

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7.	Safer Accommodation Strategy Review To consider a review of the provision of safe accommodation and associated commissioning	TBC	PH - Housing	It was agreed to add this to the Work Plan in April 2025 following recommendations from the Safe Accommodation Strategy Working Group
8.	Development of Safe Accommodation Strategy KPI's To consider the development of KPIs related to the Safe Accommodation Strategy through test and challenge to draft measures.	Committee Report	PH - Housing	It was agreed to add this to the Work Plan in April 2025 following recommendations from the Safe Accommodation Strategy Working Group
9.	Update on the Implementation of the Safe Accommodation Strategy To review the progress in the strategy and wider domestic abuse work, including monitoring of associated KPIs.	TBC - consider whether this should be part of a wider housing update. Cross cutting with other O&S Bodies - all Chair's to be invited.	PH - Housing	It was agreed to add this to the Work Plan in April 2025 following recommendations from the Safe Accommodation Strategy Working Group Annual Update requested -
10.	Pedestrian Crossing Update	Cllr Rice to verbally update at meetings		Update as and when there is information to come through.
11.	Van Life – Community Pact Item to consider the potential for a community pact for vehicle dwellers, including potential designated safe parking areas. Enquiry Session – to be scoped using KLOE Document	TBC		Item added to the work plan following request from Council in December 2024 Report Information

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12.	Building Regs Update - NEW			Follow on from previous meeting item as Government paper was due out Autumn 25
13.	Play Streets Updates - NEW			Added in October 25 meeting
Working Groups				
	There are no currently operating working groups or requests agreed for a working group.			
Item suggestions for Briefing Sessions				
	Chemicals Scrutiny – Information session requested for this at May 2024 meeting.	Informal Briefing		This requires further scoping – KLOE document
	Planning Service Improvement – Potential briefing to monitor this improvement journey.	Informal Briefing	Head of Planning	Committee to consider holding interim briefings, to provide 6 monthly updates between formal committee reporting on this topic.

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