

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme – 2022/23

Meeting	Agenda items	Comment
6 July 2022		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Chief Executive, Southwark Council 	Deferred due to ill health of chief executive.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview and Scrutiny Committee and Commission Work Programmes 2022-23 	Initial work programmes for OSC and Commissions agreed
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central London Bus Review 	<p>The committee heard from TfL representatives and cabinet member.</p> <p>Item to also be added to the agenda for the next meeting.</p>
12 October 2022		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Chief Executive, Southwark Council 	Deferred from July meeting [On agenda].
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council Delivery Plan 2022 - 2026 	[On agenda].
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Climate Emergency – Performance against smart targets 	OSC requested quarterly update. Cabinet Member to be invited to meeting to provide an update (Cabinet Member attendance to be confirmed) [On agenda].
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cost of Living Crisis 	Areas requested to be covered: What support is the council providing? How does this compare with other local authorities? How many residents are being supported and where? How is support advertised?

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		<p>How is LBS working with partners on the cost of living emergency? What is the council specifically doing to reach out and provide support to the most vulnerable residents, with particular focus on those who are hard to reach?</p> <p>Allocation of funds arising from underspend in Climate Emergency</p> <p>Look at implementation of the 10 point plan agreed at Council Assembly (July 2022) – when would appropriate time be to look at this</p> <p>[On agenda]</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Scrutiny Review of Regeneration in the Borough of Southwark – Cabinet Response Item included on the agenda for information only. 	<p>Cabinet response agreed at cabinet on 13 September. [On agenda]</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Healthwatch Southwark Annual Report 2021/22 <p>Item to be included on agenda for information only.</p>	<p>[On agenda]</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Programme 	<p>Reviewed at each meeting.</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central London Bus Review 	Deferred to later date due to timing of TfL responses to consultations. TfL to be invited to 11 January OSC meeting by which time responses to consultations will have been confirmed.
30 November 2022		
	Items to be confirmed	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Programme 	Reviewed at each meeting.
11 January 2023		
	<p>Initial Budget Scrutiny</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cabinet Member for Finance, Democracy and Digital Interview – initial discussion on budget including presentation on December Local Government Settlement 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Central London Bus Review 	TfL to be invited to the meeting.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work Programme 	Reviewed at each meeting.
23 January 2023		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual budget Scrutiny 	Daytime meeting
24 January 2023		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget Scrutiny – Formulation of OSC recommendations to cabinet 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional items to be added to agenda if required 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Programme 	Reviewed at each meeting.
1 March 2023		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Emergency – Performance against smart targets 	Cabinet Member to be invited to meeting to provide an update
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work Programme 	Reviewed at each meeting.
26 April 2023		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Items to be confirmed 	Scrutiny reviews must be concluded by this date.

Items requiring scheduling

Meeting (tbc)	Agenda items	Comment
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Housing Revenue Account 	<p>Briefing on the Housing Revenue Account and proposed budget so that can properly scrutinise this during the budget setting process.</p> <p>Also deeper look this year as huge cost pressures in terms of materials and labour supplies, repairs, also lots of social landlords, council and housing associations looking at what to do with their rent increases over the coming year because they are all indexed to inflation, so potentially looking at a 11%</p>

		increase for council tenants. Also look at the campaign positions the council might be able to take.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Delivery Plan 2022 – 2026 (Performance Monitoring) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Emergency – Performance against smart targets (Performance Monitoring) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Emergency Fund (from a budget perspective) 	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Digital Strategy & Customer Access 	<p>Technology and digital inclusion strategy last agreed by cabinet and received by OSC in January 2022.</p> <p>Lib Dem note: How is the council ensuring that council services are accessible to all residents? What is the council doing to improve digital accessibility to all services particularly the most vulnerable?</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Equalities, Diversity & Inclusion Framework 	Southwark Equality Framework agreed by cabinet in July 2021. Noted but not discussed by OSC in July 2021.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Workforce Strategy 	Usually considered by Cabinet – October or December
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regeneration Scrutiny – focus on individual schemes Old Kent Road, viability benchmarking, etc 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support for Southwark LGBTQ+ communities 	<p>What follow up has there been since the Southwark LGBT Network Report (OSC July 2020)? How is the council progressing LGBTQ+ equality in the borough? How are we tackling LGBTQ hate crimes and phobia (being picked by Housing and Community Safety Commission?)</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet Member Interviews <p>Cllr Kieron Williams, Leader of the Council</p> <p>Cllr Jasmine Ali, Children, Young People, Education and Refugees</p> <p>Cllr Evelyn Akoto, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p>Cllr Stephanie Cryan, Communities, Equalities and Finance</p> <p>Cllr Dora Dixon-Fyle, Community Safety</p> <p>Cllr James McAsh, Climate, Emergency and Sustainable Development</p> <p>Cllr Darren Merrill, Council Homes and Homelessness</p> <p>Cllr Catherine Rose, Leisure, Parks, Streets and Clean Air</p> <p>Cllr Martin Seaton, Jobs, Business and Town Centres</p>	<p>To be determined as and when appropriate</p>