

# APPENDIX B – Agreed Scrutiny Work Programme 2017/2018



**Inquiry Panels:**  
*(time-limited in-depth inquiries)*

**1. Regional Working**  
e.g.  
- what does regional working look like at moment?  
- how well is it understood (internally and publically)?  
- lines of accountability?  
- arrangements for scrutiny?  
- what needs to be done to improve partnerships / collaboration to achieve WBFGA outcomes?

**2. Natural Environment**  
e.g.  
- how well are we caring for and managing our natural environment?  
- green spaces?  
- are we maximising the value and benefits?  
- how can we meet new statutory responsibilities / requirements?  
- role of the council / partners in tackling the issues?  
- link with planning / other areas of Council?  
- impact of budget reductions across services?

**Inquiry Follow Ups:**

- School Governance
- Building Sustainable Communities
- Child & Adolescent Mental Health Services
- Tackling Poverty
- School Readiness

**Performance Panels:**  
*(on-going in-depth monitoring)*

- 1. Service Improvement & Finance (monthly)**
- 2. Schools (monthly)**
- 3. Adult Services (monthly)**
- 4. Child & Family Services (4-6 meetings max)**
- 5. Public Services Board (6 meetings)**
- 6. Development & Regeneration (quarterly)**

**Regional Scrutiny:**

- **ERW** (*Education through Regional Working*)

**Working Groups:**  
*(one-off meetings)*

- In priority order:
- 1. Emergency Planning & Resilience**
  - 2. Community Cohesion & Hate Crime**
  - 3. Homelessness**
  - 4. Car Park Charges**
  - 5. Roads / Footway Maintenance**
  - 6. Renewable Energy**
  - 7. Digital Inclusion**
  - 8. Bus Services**
  - 9. Public Conveniences**
- NB - an annual meeting on **Local Flood Risk Management** is a standing item in the work programme