

## Scrutiny Committee – Review Subjects

The following are those subject areas which have been requested for Scrutiny to consider and the stage they have reached:

Source	Issue/Description	Stage	Proposed Scrutiny Committee meeting date
Ettrick and Yarrow Community Council	Great Tapestry of Scotland – to scrutinise the whole process through which the decision appears to have been taken by SBC Councillors to site the great tapestry of Scotland in a new-build at Tweedbank. In particular, to scrutinise the extent to which a full option appraisal was undertaken of all possible sites and that the detailed business case was presented for all options prior to any decision being made.	Short term Scrutiny Working Group established with membership as follows: Councillors Cockburn, Gillespie, Campbell and Garvie. NB. Councillor Garvie has resigned from the Working Group.	.
Ettrick and Yarrow Community Council – Allocation of Budgets for Road Maintenance and Repairs	To review the extent to which the SBC budget for road repairs and maintenance is sufficient to meet need and the not unreasonable expectation that roads will be maintained in a safe condition. Within this context, to particularly examine how the allocation of budget for <u>rural</u> roads is arrived at and whether more should be allocated.	Letter from CC dated 15 June 2015. Agreed to consider this.	28 January 2016
Councillor Bhatia	Protection of Private Water Supplies – <i>"in relation to Planning e.g. when a planning application is granted which requires an additional private supply or taking water from an existing private supply, how do existing householders ensure that their supply is protected? This may be purely a civil matter or the Council may have a role. This is further exacerbated with large forestry/windfarm applications."</i>	Presentation will include input from Planning, Environmental Health and SEPA	18 February 2016
Lib Dem Group	Implications of the Community Empowerment Act on the Council – <i>"there may be multiple implications of the Community Empowerment Act e.g. disposal of assets either SBC or Common Good, the transfer of local services to community groups who wish to take them on, future provision of allotments etc."</i>	Presentation from Shona Smith, Communities and Partnership Manager now	18 February 2016

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		scheduled.	
Scrutiny Committee	Financing arrangements for the Transport Interchange in Galashiels - to include subsidy arrangements and departure charges.	Consideration on whether to conduct a review of the financing arrangements for the Transport Interchange would be decided in March 2016.	Private update and short presentation in March 2016.
Councillor Logan	Support for High Achievers in Schools		March 2016. Presentation by Service Director Children & Young People.
Councillor Torrance	School Transport and Escorts		March 2016.
Greenlaw and Hume CC	SBC Scrutiny Committee should look at outsourcing success stories elsewhere in Scottish Local Authority bodies, in particular where the service has been outsourced to a third sector organisation.		
Scrutiny Committee	Renewable energy – to include arrangements for biomass boilers at high schools.	Likely to be considered by the Executive Committee. <i>Scrutiny Review on hold.</i>	
Royal Burgh of Peebles & District Community Council	Review the process that led to the decision by the Council's Executive Committee to agree that Victoria Park, Peebles is the preferred location for a 3G pitch.  This issue relates to how (and under what circumstances) community consultation is designed, planned and managed, and how the processes by which Council canvasses the views of local communities can be	A presentation on the Community Engagement Framework be brought to the April 2016 meeting. Scrutiny then to	April 2016

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	facilitated and improved upon.	decide how they wished to proceed.		