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## 1. Executive Summary

1.1 This report asks the Westminster Scrutiny Commission to review topics for the 2021/22 work programme and note the action tracker.

## 2. Key Matters for the Commission's Consideration

2.1 The Commission is asked to:

- review and approve the draft work programme (Appendix 1) and prioritise where required; and
- note the Action Tracker (Appendix 2).

## 3. Work Programme

3.1 After the November meeting, the Commission is currently scheduled to meet on:

- Wednesday 9 February 2022; and
- Wednesday 23 March 2022.

3.2 The proposed list of topics at Appendix 1 takes into account comments by the Commission at previous meetings. The Commission members and officers present may wish to suggest further items for the 2021 to 2022 Commission work programme.

- 3.3 The Commission may also wish to consider the unallocated items which it was not possible for the Commission to cover as part of its work programme during this municipal year. Items which would be suitable for consideration at the February meeting include the impact of COVID-19 on Council finances, as this would be timely at almost two years since the UK experienced the first lockdown as a result of the global pandemic.
- 3.4 The February meeting would also be appropriate timing for the Commission to consider its Annual Scrutiny Report. The Annual Report for 2018 – 2019 was previously considered at the Commission’s meeting on 1st July 2020.
- 3.5 The Commission had decided at its meeting in April 2021 that climate emergency work should feature as a standing item on its work programme. The work programme reflects this.

**If you have any queries about this Report or wish to inspect any of the background papers, please contact Artemis Kassi.**

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#### **APPENDICES:**

**Appendix 1** – Westminster Scrutiny Commission Work Programme

**Appendix 2** – Action Tracker

**Appendix 3** – Terms of Reference