

Finance, Smart City and City Management Policy & Scrutiny Committee

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Report of:	Head of Governance and Councillor Liaison
Cabinet Member Portfolio:	Cabinet Member for City Management and Cabinet Member for Finance and Smart City
Wards Involved:	All
Policy Context:	All
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1. Executive Summary

1. This report asks committee members to consider those items unallocated in 2021/22 (Appendix 1) to recommend for inclusion in the work programme in the 2022/23 Municipal Year.

2. Meeting dates for the 2022/2023 year

- 2.1 The Committee is advised that the scheduled meeting dates for the 2022/2023 year are:
 - 20th June 2022
 - 28th September 2022
 - 16th November 2022
 - 19th January 2023
 - 22nd March 2023

If you have any queries about this report or wish to inspect any of the background papers, please contact Artemis Kassi at akassi@westminster.gov.uk

Appendix A: Work Programme

Appendix B: Terms of Reference

Appendix A. Possible topics to carry forward to 2022/2023

Finance, Smart City and City Management (FSCCM) Policy and Scrutiny Committee

UNALLOCATED ITEMS in 2021/22 TO BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT MUNICIPAL YEAR 2022/23			
Agenda Item	Reasons & objective for item	Represented by	Notes
Temporary Traffic Closures		Kevin Goad (Director of City Highways)	
North Westminster Floods	To receive an update on the Thames Water Review of the North Westminster Floods.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Raj Mistry (Executive Director of Environment & City) Phil Robson (Head of Operations, City Highways) 	Proposed for June
Air Quality Monitoring	A report that sets out where we are, the early findings of the consultants and what these might mean in terms of monitoring of and solutions to air quality issues.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Claire Parsons (Project Manager (CleanTech City Lead, Smart Cities Programme)) David Wilkins (Head of Digital Space) 	Proposed for June Meeting
Post COVID-19 Financial Recovery	To discuss the financial recovery of the borough and the City Council's actions and roles in supporting it		
MyWestminster Digital Card	To review and discuss the project management of the <i>MyWestminster</i> Digital Card concept, as well as its attached financial implications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sarah Williams (Head of Customer Experience and Digital, Customer Engagement) Aruj Haider (Chief Digital and Innovation Officer, Customer Engagement) 	•

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Biodiversity and ecology of Westminster	To review whether sufficient efforts being taken to conserve tree, plant and animal habitat in Westminster, and to examine existing or future policies to support the expansion of biodiversity		Note from John Ceridwen: Practically, strategic greening work is planned to have quite a lot of activity happening later this year – including quite a detailed study that would be really interesting for the committee to look at which is commissioning a study of all our open spaces (Green Infrastructure Study) that we have committed to do under the City Plan adoption. Part of this will be looking at which areas of the city are deficient in green space and what we could potentially do about that to ensure everyone has access to high quality green spaces and I think the committee could be told about this happening and that the opportunity to look at it would be more worthwhile once we have these maps and information and the public health impacts around that which is something we have started to talk to them about linking together.
Resident focus and inclusivity in Smart City	To review the Smart City initiative and scrutinise its focus on delivering value and improved lives for residents, as well as interrogating the accessibility of service upgrades or new technologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Rhoda Philips (Digital Inclusion and Talent Lead, Customer Engagement) • Becky Chapman (Digital Innovation Consultant, Customer Engagement) • Sarah Williams (Head of Customer Experience and Digital, Customer Engagement) • Aruj Haider (Chief Digital and Innovation Officer, Customer Engagement) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •

Appendix B. Terms of Reference: Finance, Smart City and City Management (FSCCM) Policy and Scrutiny Committee

COMPOSITION

Eight (8) Members of the Council (five Majority Party Members and three Minority Party Members, but shall not include a Member of the Cabinet.

TERMS OF REFERENCE (as per the Constitution, 15th February 2021)

- (a) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny functions, as set out in Article 6 of the Constitution, in respect of matters relating to all those duties within the terms of reference of the Cabinet Member for Finance and Smart City and the Cabinet Member for City Management.
- (b) To carry out the Policy and Scrutiny function in respect of matters within the remit of the Council's non-executive Committees and Sub-Committees, that are within the broad remit of the Committee, in accordance with paragraph 13(a) of the Policy and Scrutiny procedure rules.
- (c) Matters, within the broad remit of the Cabinet Members referred to in (a) above, which are the responsibility of external agencies.
- (d) Any other matter allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.
- (e) To have the power to establish ad hoc or Standing Sub-Committees as Task Groups to carry out the Scrutiny of functions within these terms of reference.
- (f) To scrutinise the duties of the Lead Members which fall within the remit of the Committee or as otherwise allocated by the Westminster Scrutiny Commission.
- (g) To scrutinise any Bi-borough proposals which impact on service areas that fall within the Committee's terms of reference.
- (h) To oversee any issues relating to Performance that fall within the Committee's terms of reference.
- (i) To have the power to scrutinise those partner organisations that are relevant to the remit of the Committee.
- (j) To consider any Councillor Calls for Action, referred by a Ward Member to the Committee