

FOREST OF DEAN DISTRICT COUNCIL SCRUTINY WORK PLAN – 7 March 2024

Strategic Overview and Scrutiny Committee	Chairman	Vice Chairman
	Philip Burford	Nick Evans

The Local Government Act 2000 established four main roles for overview and scrutiny committees to perform: -

- Holding the executive to account, including performance management
- Policy development and review
- External scrutiny
- Best value

The Centre for Public Scrutiny and the Local Government Association outlined four principles for effective scrutiny:

- Constructive ‘critical friend’ challenge
- Amplifies the voices and concerns of the public
- Led by independent people who take responsibility for their role
- Drives improvement in public services.

Item	Inquiry		7 March 24	18 July 24	5 Sep 24	9 Jan 25
1.	Leader and Deputy Leader Question Time	Mark Topping Jackie Fraser Andy Moore		X		X
2.	Budget	Andrew Knott Andy Moore				X
3.	Forestry Commission Board Strategy Update	Kevin Stannard				
4.	Publica Business Plan /Annual Report	Frank Wilson Nigel Brinn		X		
5.	Service Delivery/ District Partnerships	Ubico Forest Economic Partnership Community Engagement/ Community Safety Partnership Freedom Leisure	X	X	X X	
6.	Decarbonisation / Climate	Nick Murray			X	
7.	Housing	Caroline Clissold Jon Dearing Adrian Birch			X	
8.	Performance and Finance	Andrew Knott Nigel Brinn Andy Moore Mark Topping			X	
9.	Development Management Improvement Panel (set date for inquiry day)	Sid Phelps Charlie Jackson	X			
10.	Publica Services Repatriation Panel	Nigel Brinn Mark Topping	X			
11.	Severn Trent Water Sewerage & Drainage				X	