

Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview Scrutiny Committee

Terms of Reference



I Overview and Scrutiny Functions

1.1 The aims of the Overview and Scrutiny process are to-

- add value to Council business and decision-making;
- hold the Cabinet to account;
- monitor the budget and performance of services;
- assist the Council in the development of policy and review the effectiveness of the implementation of Council policy;
- review relevant central government policy development and legislation to assess the impact on the City and make recommendations to Cabinet.

2. Role of Overview and Scrutiny Committees

2.1. The relevant scrutiny committee will –

- hear call-ins, Councillor's call for action and petitions;
- approve time limited select committees for issues within its remit;
- monitor performance against the relevant corporate priorities;
- receive finance and performance reports;
- agree recommendations to Cabinet, Council and partner organisations;
- agree appointments of co-opted representatives;
- monitor the forward plan;
- help Council and the Cabinet to develop policy by studying issues in detail through time limited Select Committees;
- review new and developing legislation to assess its impact on the city;
- consider and introduce schemes to involve the public in developing policy;
- work with national, regional and local organisations to promote the interest of local people.

3. Brexit, Infrastructure and Legislative Change Overview and Scrutiny Committee

3.1. Responsibility for –

- relevant policies in the Plymouth Plan;
- response to Central Government's Policy Making;
- Capital Programme;
- Strategic Procurement;
- Corporate Property;
- development planning;
- Strategic Highways;
- Economic Development

- Heart of the South West Productivity Plan;
- Strategic Transport policies and strategies;
- cultural Infrastructure;
- climate change and sustainability;
- reviewing impact of Brexit on the city;
- proposing measures that Government should take to provide stability for the council and partners in light of Brexit;
- exploring powers could be devolved from the EU directly to local authorities;
- hear call-ins relevant to the role of the committee.

3.2. Partnership links –

- Growth Board;
- Joint Committee for Heart of the South West;
- Heart of the South West Local Enterprise Partnership.

3.3. **Membership** - All members of the Committee will adhere to the general rules of Overview and Scrutiny. There are nine members of the Committee including the Chair and Vice Chair.

3.4. **Chair** – The Chair will be from the group in administration.

3.5. **Vice Chair** – The Vice Chair will be from the opposition group.

3.6. **Urgent Decisions** – Urgent decisions will be reviewed by the Chair with relevant responsibilities.