

Scrutiny Board (Safer and Stronger Communities)

The Scrutiny Board (Safer and Stronger Communities) is authorised to discharge the following overview and scrutiny functions¹.

1. to review or scrutinise the exercise of any council or executive function or any other related matter including:-
 - a) Reducing burglary
 - b) The management and reduction of anti-social behaviour
 - c) The effectiveness of streetscene services
 - d) The relationship and respective roles of the city council and third sector organisations in mitigating the negative effects of the recession on the communities they serve
2. To carry out such other reviews or policy development tasks as it may be requested to do by either the Executive Board or the Council.
3. to act as the appropriate Scrutiny Board in relation to the Executive's initial proposals for a relevant plan or strategy² within the Budget and Policy Framework³
4. to review or scrutinise executive decisions that have been Called In⁴
5. to exercise the functions of a crime and disorder committee⁵, including the following:
 - a) to review or scrutinise the exercise of crime and disorder functions⁶ by responsible authorities⁷;
 - b) to review or scrutinise any local crime or disorder matter in relation to a Member⁸

¹ In relation to the functions delegated to

- a) the Director of Environment and Neighbourhoods under
 - the Officer Delegation Scheme (Council Functions) and
 - the Officer Delegation Scheme (Executive Functions) at paragraphs 1(a) to (e), and 2 (a) to (c), (f) and (h) to (k); and
- b) the Assistant Chief Executive (Planning, Policy and Improvement) under the Officer Delegation Scheme (Executive Functions) at paragraph (k)

whether or not those functions are concurrently delegated to any other committee or officer.

² Namely the Safer and Stronger Communities Plan

³ In accordance with Budget and Policy Framework Procedure Rules.

⁴ In accordance with the Scrutiny Board Procedure Rules.

⁵ In accordance with Section 19 Police and Justice Act 2006

⁶ As defined by Section 6 Crime and Disorder Act 1998 (formulating and implementing crime and disorder strategies).

⁷ These are the authorities responsible for crime and disorder strategies set out in Section 5 of the Crime and Disorder Act 1998

⁸ This is any matter concerning –

- a) crime and disorder (including in particular forms of crime and disorder that involve anti-social behaviour or other behaviour adversely affecting the local environment) or

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6. to receive requests for scrutiny and councillor calls for action in relation to crime and disorder matters.
7. to receive and monitor formal responses to any reports or recommendations made by the Board
8. to review outcomes, targets and priorities within the Council Business Plan and City Priority Plans and to make such reports and recommendations as it considers appropriate;
9. to receive requests for scrutiny and councillor calls for action⁹ and undertake any subsequent work

b) the misuse of drugs, alcohol and other substances in that area which affects all or part of the electoral area for which the Member is elected or any person who lives or works in that area.

⁹ Including requests made in relation to health and social care matters in accordance with the Local Authority (Overview and Scrutiny Committees Health Scrutiny Functions) Regulations 2002 but not including requests in relation to crime and disorder matters.