

# Northampton Borough Council Overview and Scrutiny



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### In-depth Policy Reviews

Topic Area	Rationale for Review	Scrutiny Panel	Lead Councillor	Suggested Timescale
<b>Responding to the Welfare Reform Act</b>	To evaluate the effect of the Welfare Reform Act on the public and Council employees	<b>Scrutiny Panel 1- Responding to the Welfare Reform Act</b>	Councillor Lee Mason	<b>From:</b> January 2014 <b>To:</b> July 2014
<b>Poverty in the Town</b>	To review poverty in the town to ascertain whether it is a serious issue: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Whether it growing and more generally what are the trends (including migration)</li> <li>➤ What can public services do in this time of austerity?</li> <li>➤ What can other groups/individuals do to help?</li> <li>➤ What the impact is, if any, is there on the economy, crime, health and education</li> </ul>	<b>Scrutiny Panel 1 – Poverty in the Town</b>	Councillor Elizabeth Gowen	<b>From:</b> May 2014 <b>To:</b> March 2015

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<b>Interpersonal Violence</b>	To review Northampton Borough Council's response in addressing issues around interpersonal violence (domestic abuse, sexual abuse and child exploitation), centring on domestic abuse	<b>Scrutiny Panel 2- Interpersonal Violence</b>	Councillor Jamie Lane	<b>From:</b> May 2014 <b>To:</b> March 2015
<b>Keep Northampton Tidy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To undertake a review regarding implementing a 'Keep Northampton Tidy' campaign with an accent on preserving wildlife and encouraging children (and adults) to take an interest in their surroundings, to include Community Clean Ups and 'Northampton in Bloom.'</li> <li>• A review of the problem of littering and fly-tipping, particularly in un-adopted roads and the gateways into the town.</li> <li>• To explore opportunities to enhance the gateways into the town.</li> </ul>	<b>Scrutiny Panel 3 – Keep Northampton Tidy</b>	Councillor Tony Ansell	<b>From:</b> May 2014 <b>To:</b> March 2015
<b>Reporting and Monitoring Working Group</b>	To provide scrutiny input early on in the budget process and to review the effects and implications of the budget changes	<b>Working Group</b>	Councillor Jamie Lane	<b>From</b> October 2014 <b>To</b> Ongoing

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<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	The Committee to receive briefings regarding the operation of the Northampton Bus Terminal	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	Councillor Jamie Lane	<b>From:</b> June 2014 <b>To :</b> TBC
<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	The Committee to receive briefings regarding the ALMO	<b>Overview and Scrutiny Committee</b>	Councillor Jamie Lane	<b>From:</b> September 2014 <b>To :</b> TBC