## **SCRUTINY WORKSHOP**

## 13 JULY 2015

Below are the suggested areas for reviews that both groups came up with during the break out sessions. These are split into internal (council services) and external scrutiny.

Scrutiny of Council Services	
Group 1	Group 2
Capital Expenditure	Major capital projects
Affordable Council Housing	Future of social housing, development of,
	meeting community need
	Rural social housing
Housing Repairs	Responsive repairs
Recycling service	Recycling services
Living wage	Local energy provision (council housing)
Avoiding redundancies	Housing Development Company
Ageing population, including housing needs	Communication with public (re services etc)
Neighbourhood Planning	Burial space, graveyards
	The devolution agenda
	Grant funding - income v expenditure
	Brownfield development

External scrutiny	
Group 1	Group 2
Combined authorities	Combined authorities (linked to devolution,
	above)
Community Safety	Community policing / anti social behaviour
Affordable housing	
Verge cutting	Grass cutting & weeds on highway, litter in rural areas
Safeguarding children / adults	Highways in light of new developments
Engagement with parishes	GP Services – out of hours & wait times
Charity sector to engage council's aims	Dentistry services – registering
Social support for ageing population	Public transport – buses, lack of,
	inconvenient drop off points, Sunnyside, Crescent, MIRA
Housing association – repairs and	Libraries
complaints	Libraries
	Sustainability of developments (housing)
	Financial service provision
	Food banks

Members are asked to prioritise the suggested review topics, having regard to the Corporate Plan and the Council's aims and objectives, to assist in development of a work programme for the ensuing two years.

The Scrutiny Commission can request that some of the work is undertaken by the Finance, Audit & Performance Committee or may set up its own task and finish groups when necessary.