Scrutiny Review Scoping Template

Review Topic	Planning Peer Review – Draft Action Plan		
(Name of review)			
Parent Scrutiny Committee	Internal Affairs		
Lead Member Review Group	TBC		
(Cllrs Involved)			
Officer Support	TBC		
(Scrutiny Review Officer lead)			
Rationale	As part of the programme of continuous improvement, a team		
(Key issues and/or reason for doing the review	of planning peers, facilitated through the Planning Advisory Service (PAS), was invited to review the work of the council's planning service, and make recommendations that would improve that service. The scope of the review was established by the Planning Committee on 8 June 2022.		
	The implementation of the recommendations contained in the PAS Peer Review Report is key to ensuring the Planning Service remains effective and responsive to the needs and demands of its many customers.		
Objectives of the Review	To ensure that the planning Action Plan adequately addresses		
(Specify exactly what the	the recommendations of the Peer Review Team.		
review should achieve)			
	To ensure that the Planning Action Plan is implemented in a transparent, efficient, and effective manner having regard to the views expressed by key stakeholders.		
Indicators of Success	The council can demonstrate that the recommendations of the		
(What is the outcome of a good review)	Peer Review Team have been acted upon.		

Methodology/Approach (What types of enquiries will be used to gather evidence and why)	It is considered that a scrutiny spotlight review would be an appropriate mechanism through which to review the action plan in order to avoid any delay in its implementation.	
Specify Witnesses/Experts (Who to see and when) - subject to review as evidence becomes available.	The Scrutiny Committee are asked to review the feedback received to date, alongside the views of other key stakeholders.	
Specify Evidence Sources for documents (specify which to look at)	Planning Committee Peer Review Scope - report - minutes PAS Peer Review Team Feedback Report Draft Planning Action Plan	
Specify Site Visits (Where and when)	Not required	
Specify Evidence Sources for views of Stakeholders (consultation/workshops/focus groups/public meetings)	The Scrutiny Committee are asked to review the feedback received from Town and Parish Councils and other key stakeholder groups, including:	

	Planning agents Statutory consultees	
Publicity Requirements	TBC	
Resource Requirements		
Person-days	10	
Expenditure	Within existing budgets	

Barriers/dangers/risks		The planning service needs to respond to the	
(Identify any potential pitfalls)		needs of many different customers, some with	
		competing objectives.	
Start Date	20 June 2023	Draft Report d/line	July 2023
Mtg Frequency	Single spotlight review	Projected completion	Review - Sept 2023
		date	Monitoring - Jun 2024
Impact/ response: evaluation date		September 2024	