

Identifying Items for Review

Importance – how well a topic fits with the Council's key aims and priorities.

Impact - likely potential impact of outcomes from a scrutiny investigation of the topic in terms of community benefit.

Scoring Guide for Priority Grid	
Score	Indicator
IMPORTANCE 0	No evidence that topic is related to the Council's key aims and priorities. Reject.
1	Some evidence that topic linked to Council's key aims and priorities but only indirectly.
2	Good evidence linking topic to Council's key aims but not to Council's current priorities.
3	Good evidence linking topic to Council's key aims and priorities.
4	Strong evidence linking topic to Council's key aims and priorities.
IMPACT 0	No potential benefits likely to result. Reject.
1	Minor potential benefits or benefits affecting only one ward/customer/client group.
2	Minor potential benefits affecting two or more ward/customer/client groups or Moderate potential benefits affecting only one ward/customer/client group.
3	Moderate potential benefits affecting more than one ward/customer/client group, or Substantial potential benefits affecting one or more ward/customer/client groups.
4	Substantial potential benefits community wide or for a significant proportion or section of the community.

The topic selection process involves members applying their collective knowledge, experience and judgement throughout. The tool provided is to enable members to select topics in a structured and consistent way, that can be recorded and justified if necessary.