

Strategies for Success

#scrutiny success





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**An opportunity to
share and discuss
scrutiny success**



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Northampton Borough Council
Engaging the public in work
programming

**95 suggestions from the public
received this year via a survey
monkey questionnaire asking
only: *“What would you like
Overview and Scrutiny to look at
over the next year”***



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**Hertfordshire County Council
Scrutiny by Young People, for
Young People**

**Young People from the Children
in Care Council replaced
councillors in a task and finish
group focusing on the issues
they chose to scrutinise.**

Good Practice in Scrutiny

Hertfordshire County Council





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**London Borough of Camden
Bangladeshi Health and
Wellbeing Panel**

**A time-limited investigative
panel involving health partners.
Members met 286 residents
including students, teachers,
Imams and community leaders
in a range of local settings.**



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**Waltham Forest Council
Voice and Influence of
Children and Young People**

As a result, there is increased participation in decision-making from young people, including involvement in the Knife Crime and Corrosive Substances and Behaviour Strategies, where their feedback has contributed to their development.



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Wirral Council

Resident Parking

Scrutiny identified the need to undertake this review in response to issues raised by residents, Members and officers.



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Babergh & Mid Suffolk Void Times in Council Housing

**Investigating whether the new
in-house building service was
having an adverse effect on Void
times.**

**Members undertook site visits
and met contract staff.
Resulted in a 6 month recovery
plan and a reduction in void
turn-around time.**



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Early Impact of Universal Credit

Members attended workshops and a DWP briefing session to provide them with a full understanding of the topic and engaged with key stakeholders such as Citizens' Advice, Housing Associations and local foodbanks.



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**City of Edinburgh Council
Internal Audit**

The Council changed its Internal Audit model resulting in an improvement in the quality of audit work and reports, development of key performance indicators, a new follow up process and a focus on strategy, people and operations.



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Cheshire West and Chester Council
Care Leavers

The Task Group met with benefits advisors, social housing providers, strategic housing officers and care leavers to gather evidence on the arrangements for care leavers' transition into adulthood.



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Reality Check Visits

Scrutiny members decided to undertake visits to specific Children's Services areas to gain a deeper understanding after their 2016 Ofsted report advised that the service 'required improvement'



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All Age Disability and Mental
Health Transformation

Pre-decision scrutiny was undertaken, which ensured that Member comments and concerns were fed into the development of the new service.



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City of Wolverhampton Council
Scrutiny Annual Report Video

Officers produced the Scrutiny Annual Review Report in video format instead of written report.

It was shown at full council and was well received by members as an innovative and engaging approach.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LABaGEIhC_E&feature=youtu.be



Want to find out more?

A link to full details of each example will be emailed to all delegates.



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