



## OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY TOPIC PROPOSAL

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| <b>Title of Proposed Topic:</b>  | Leisure Activities throughout the Bromsgrove District   |
| <b>Specific subject areas to be investigated:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities that are provided throughout the district by the Council (including such areas as the Dolphin Centre, Street Theatre and the role of Sports Development)</li> <li>• Do the Council have a statutory duty to provide any of these activities?</li> <li>• Including accessibility and availability to all parts of the District.</li> <li>• The cost to the Council of providing any activities and to establish whether these are value for money</li> </ul> |
| <b>Reasons why this subject should be considered:</b>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To find out what is provided and whether the activities are what the residents want and to ensure we are meeting their needs.</li> <li>• To identify any possible duplication of activities</li> <li>• To identify any possible savings which could be made</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Evidence to support the need for this particular investigation:</b>   | Leisure and Cultural Services have a considerable budget and in these times of economic difficulty it is important to ensure that the Council is receiving value for money and the activities provided are meeting the needs of residents and are evenly distributed throughout the District.   |
| <b>Council priorities it links to:</b>   | Provide good things for me to see and do in my locality & help me live life independently.  |
| <b>Possible key outcomes: (i.e. what do you anticipate could be achieved?)</b>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensuring the Council receives value for money from the service</li> <li>• Ensure the activities provided are meeting the needs of residents</li> </ul>   |

**Please indicate if any of the following apply to the proposed subject area:**

| CRITERIA  | NO                       | YES                                 | Why?  |
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| Is it a priority issue for the Council or the Local Strategic Partnership?                        | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Health and wellbeing  |
| Is it an important issue for local residents?   | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | This will be established through the investigation.   |
| Is it a topic where Overview and Scrutiny could feasibly and constructively make recommendations? | <input type="checkbox"/> | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | In order to ensure that the right services are being provided and the Council receives value for money. |

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| Is it a topic where external review would be helpful?   |          | A comparison of what is provided in other authorities may be useful.                         |
| Is it a topic where a review could be made in time to make recommendations for the executive decision making process? |          | N/A  |
| Is it a poorly performing service?  |          | This will be established from the investigations.  |
| Is it a review that could render significant savings or value for money?  | <b>Y</b> | This will be established through the investigation, with a potential for savings to be made. |
| Is the topic strategic in scope?  | <b>N</b> |  |

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