# **Scrutiny Business Planning Checklist**

### **Priorities - Is the topic**

- a corporate or service priority? In what way?
- an area where performance, outcomes or budget are a concern? How?
- one that matters to residents? Why?

### What is being scrutinised and Why?

- What should the scrutiny focus be?
- Where can the committee add value?
- What is the desired outcome from scrutiny?

#### When and how to scrutinise?

- When can the committee have most influence?
- What is the best approach committee, TFG, one-off small group?
- What research, visits or other activities are needed?
- Would scrutiny benefit from external witnesses or evidence?

## Is the work programme focused and achievable?

- Have priorities changed should any work be stopped or put back?
- Can there be fewer items for more in-depth consideration?
- Has sufficient capacity been retained for future work?