APPENDIX 2.1 – Topic Suggestion Form

Please return this form to:

Scrutiny Officer, Bolsover District Council, The Arc, High Street, Clowne, Chesterfield, Derbyshire, S43 4JY. Please contact the office if you require advice on 01246 242520 or thomas.dunne-wragg@bolsover.gov.uk

Name: Cllr. Tom Kirkham

Please list suggestion below:

Criteria for evaluating and prioritising suggested topic	Topic No.1	
What topic are you suggesting and the possible review title e.g. Review of	Review of the Council's approach to bid writing for external funding.	
Does this issue have a potential impact on one or more section(s) of the population?	Yes, whole district.	
Does this topic relate to a specific geographical area or the whole District?		
Is the issue strategic and significant?	Yes, it is related to the delivery of council ambitions for growth.	
(Include reference to how it contributes to the delivery of the Council's priorities)		
Will the scrutiny activity add value to the Council's, and/or its partners' overall performance?	Yes, we have lost a number of bids and performed the worst out of surround authorities when it comes to external funding.	
(Include reference to current issues with service dissatisfaction/ under performance/complaints)		
Is it likely to lead to effective outcomes? (E.g. improve value for money, increase income, make savings)	Increase income and improve performance of the council toward its ambitions	

Criteria for evaluating and prioritising suggested topic	Topic No.1
Will scrutiny involvement be duplicating some other work?	No
 Is this function currently being reviewed? (E.g. via Internal Audit/ Service Review) 	
Is it an issue of concern to partners and stakeholders?	Yes, Bolsover partnerships and associated charities is, and business need increased funding and better facilities.
Is the topic an issue of community concern? • Has it been raised by residents in your ward?	Yes, lots of publicity and concern over failed levelling up bids.
Are there adequate resources available to do the scrutiny activity well?	Yes.
Is the scrutiny activity suggested timely?	No.
 Has this subject been reviewed in the last 3 years? If so when, what was the outcome and what would a further review achieve or how would it make an impact? 	

Method of Delivery – support to Scoping of Review	Topic No.1	
Is there Statutory Responsibility for the area in question, i.e. planning enforcement?	No.	
How could the public be engaged? e.g. survey, discussion group or co-opted onto a Panel	Discussion group of business and charities.	
Please tick one of the boxes to your right to identify which type of review your topic is suitable for:	In depth review (up to 6 months).	Х
	Mini review (1-2 meetings) – formal report to Committee with recommendations agreed on the day/at the subsequent meeting.	
	Update Presentation or Report to the Scrutiny Committee to support development of future review topic (low priority issue).	

APPENDIX 2.2 – Topic Suggestion Form

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Name: Cllr. Tom Kirkham

Please list suggestion below:

Criteria for evaluating and prioritising suggested topic	Topic No.1	
What topic are you suggesting and the possible review title. (e.g., Review of)	Review of the economic impact of dragonfly development and dragonfly management.	
Does this issue have a potential impact on one or more section(s) of the population?	Yes, whole district.	
Does this topic relate to a specific geographical area or the whole District?		
Is the issue strategic and significant?	Yes, it is related to the delivery of council homes and revenue generation.	
(Include reference to how it contributes to the delivery of the Council's priorities)		
Will the scrutiny activity add value to the Council's, and/or its partners' overall performance?	Yes, the shareholder board is monitoring project performance. There is no mechanism to identify the economic impact of the activities of the companies now they are set up.	
(Include reference to current issues with service dissatisfaction/ under performance/complaints)	Examples include local jobs, costs saved, revenue generated. There is no knowledge in the council on what activities should be prioritised, i.e., local BDC builds or ones for external councils.	
Is it likely to lead to effective outcomes? (e.g., improve value for money, increase income, make savings)	Improve value for money, make savings and increase openness.	

Criteria for evaluating and prioritising suggested topic	Topic No.1
Will scrutiny involvement be duplicating some other work?	We already link to the shareholder board who focus on governance and project performance, finance scrutiny don't look at this level.
• Is this function currently being reviewed? (e.g., via Internal Audit/ Service Review)	
Is it an issue of concern to partners and stakeholders?	Yes, taxpayers' money going into DF with no monitoring of economic performance.
Is the topic an issue of community concern? • Has it been raised by residents in your ward?	Yes, people want to see Bolsover make the most of DF. They want more homes and the council to spend more money on local jobs.
Are there adequate resources available to do the scrutiny activity well?	Yes.
Is the scrutiny activity suggested timely?	No.
 Has this subject been reviewed in the last 3 years? If so when, what was the outcome and what would a further review achieve or how would it make an impact? 	

Method of Delivery – support to Scoping of Review	Topic No.1	
Is there Statutory Responsibility for the area in question, i.e., planning enforcement?	No.	
How could the public be engaged? (e.g., survey, discussion group or co-opted onto a Panel)	Survey of residents.	
Please tick one of the boxes to your right to identify which type of review your topic is suitable for:	In depth review (up to 6 months).	X
	Mini review (1-2 meetings) – formal report to Committee with recommendations agreed on the day/at the subsequent meeting.	?
	Update Presentation or Report to the Scrutiny Committee to support development of future review topic (low priority issue).	