

This report lists all motions from the previous twelve months which still have updates forthcoming. All Motions which have been resolved or the actions from officers have been completed are removed.

Date	From	Motion	Status	Director
Cllr Speight	14 September 2023	This chamber calls on Thurrock Council to commission a fully independent inquiry into the management and achievements of Thurrock Council's planning department since 2015 – with its remit to produce a year-by-year performance analysis indicating the number of applications received, the number dealt with by delegation, the number progressed to committee and the number passed or rejected that have been contrary to officer recommendation. The report should produce a subjective judgement on the performance of the planning department over each of those years. In addition the remit will include a full and detailed investigation into how and why the council has not been able to formulate a new local plan over the same period of time.	Following the motion it was agreed with Cllr Speight that, in order to avoid possible duplication, we would wait until the outcome of the LGA Planning Advisory Service (PAS) Peer Review of the planning service before progressing an inquiry. The PAS review is now complete and their report published. Officers will now be working with members to agree the scope and terms of an inquiry to cover areas not addressed in the PAS review.	Mark Bradbury
Cllr Redsell	25 October 2023	Members resolve that a task and finish group or similar be established~ to look at options for tackling school parking across the borough. Further, that a report on such options should be produced at the conclusion of the group's review.	A task and finish group must be properly scoped, and a term of reference drafted and agreed by the parent Overview and Scrutiny Committee. The Transport department has been contacted and both this department and Democratic Services will be working on a joint presentation to O & S in due course. Democratic Services are recruiting to Scrutiny Officer posts at present with these officers expected to start in the early New Year 2024. These officers will be able to take on	Asmat Hussain

			<p>this workstream and progress in accordance with Scrutiny Rules and procedures. This project will also be raised at forthcoming work programme sessions with the CfGS to ensure it is accommodated appropriately in a future Scrutiny structure and arrangements.</p> <p><u>Update Jan 2024:</u></p> <p>Overview and Scrutiny Officers started in their roles in early January 2024. The Centre for Governance Scrutiny (CfGS) is due to meet chairs and vice-chairs of O &amp; S on 23 and 24 January to discuss the work programmes for the future, including Task and Finish reviews. Chairs and Vice Chairs will make a decision on what reviews and items to prioritise at those sessions in the context of the council's special measures. The proposed school parking Task and Finish group will be considered within this session and CfGS are aware of the request and will work into the session.</p>	
Cllr Halden	25 October 2023	The chamber wishes to confer Freedom of the Borough on Reverend Canon Darren Barlow upon his retirement as rural dean.	<p>Preparations are underway to organise the ceremonial meeting to confer the award to Rev Barlow. The relevant companies who manufacture the badge have been contacted for delivery times. Once these are known, a date will be scheduled for the meeting.</p> <p><u>Update January 2024:</u></p>	Asmat Hussain

			The ceremonial meeting has been organised for 31 January 2024.	
Cllr Hooper	29 November 2023	People in Thurrock are waiting up to eight weeks to get an appointment for a blood test. This is entirely unacceptable, so, Thurrock Council calls on Mid and South Essex Foundation Trust to take whatever action is necessary to hold Phlebotomy First to account for this failure of blood testing in Thurrock and provide a reasonable service.	<p>The Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health has written to the Managing Director of Basildon Hospital (who hold the contract for Phlebotomy in Thurrock) to request an update on action the trust is taking to address the unacceptable long waits for blood tests.</p> <p><u>Update January 2024:</u></p> <p>The Portfolio Holder for Adult Social Care and Health received a response from the System Integrated Care Pathway Director offering apologies on behalf of the Trust for the experience of Thurrock constituents. Reassurance was given that the Trust had taken Councillor Hooper's concerns seriously, and that appropriate action was being taken. to reduce the waiting time for non-urgent/routine blood tests down to a maximum of three weeks.</p>	Ian Wake