Scrutiny Officer update 21st May 2018

1. Road Maintenance and repairs in Mid Devon

Further contact has been made by the Scrutiny officer with the Devon County Council (DCC) Governance team that are handling our request. The latest response is that DCC officers are dealing with the request and that 'the enquiry was passed to the Highways department to respond as a business as usual request'.

2. Partnership Working Group

This project has run over a period of some two years, with officers who have now left the Council. Some parts of the report are now historical and therefore included in the conclusion is a recommendation that we potentially revisit this subject to see what further developments have occurred. The report is on the agenda (item 9).

3. Anaerobic Digestion Working Group

The working group is awaiting comment from the Leadership team, Environmental Health and Legal on the first draft of the AD report. It is anticipated that it will be tabled at the Full Scrutiny meeting in June. It should be noted that the report concerns the process, regulation, health impact and business of anaerobic digestion and is not a report focussing on any specific concerns raised by residents around slurry pits.

4. Community Engagement Working Group

The working group will hold its first meeting on 6th June 2018. A draft scope is being developed in preparation for the meeting.

5. Summary of complaints to Council

The Chair has suggested it might be useful to look at what issues residents are concerned about in terms of Council's performance and services. An analysis of complaints, compliments and comments to Council may uncover any topics and/or themes that the Scrutiny Committee may wish to investigate further. Summaries for 2016/17 and 2017/8 are attached to help discussion.