

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2025-26

Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
30th June 2026 [slightly later start]	2025/26 Financial Outturn Report	To scrutinise the budgetary position (revenue and capital) for services falling within the committee's remit.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
	Self-Assessment	To scrutinise and be updated on the 2025/26 performance of the Council's Community & Corporate Plan objectives as part of the Self-Assessment process.	Richard Jones Matt Gatehouse	Performance Reporting
	Strategic Risk Assessment (Additional Business)	To scrutinise the overview of the current strategic risks facing the authority and suggest any further topics for scrutiny.	Richard Jones Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
8th September 2026 (Special)	Enablers update	To scrutinise the performance of the Council's Enabling Strategies 2025/26.	Peter Davies Matt Gatehouse Richard Jones	Performance Reporting
	Procurement Annual report	To scrutinise the performance and working arrangements.	Peter Davies Gemma Ellis Rhys James Cath Fallon	Performance Reporting
	For Purpose On Purpose (F-Pop) (invite G&A members)	To update the committee about F-Pop and its implications for the reorganisation of Project Management.	Paul Matthews Carly Rogers	Performance Reporting

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29th September 2026	2026/27 Financial Update	To scrutinise progress against the Council's revenue budget for the 2026/27 financial year.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
	Annual Director's Report for Social Care	To scrutinise the progress and strategic direction for the service area.	Jane Rodgers Cllr Chandler	Performance Reporting
	Safeguarding Annual Evaluation Report	To scrutinise the performance of safeguarding arrangements.	Jane Rodgers Cllr Chandler	Performance Reporting
13th October SPECIAL	2027/28 Revenue & Capital MTFP update and process	To scrutinise the latest six-monthly update of the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP), reflecting updated assumptions, risks, and strategic context.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
	Task & Finish Group draft report	To scrutinise the findings and recommendations of the committee's Task & Finish Group.	Nicola Wellington Will McLean	Performance Reporting
24th November 2026	2026/27 Financial Update	To scrutinise progress against the Council's revenue and capital budgets for the 2026/27 financial year.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
	Infrastructure Project Management	To scrutinise project management arrangements in Infrastructure.	Nick Tulp Deb Hill-Howells	Performance Reporting
	NEET Reduction Strategy	To scrutinise the strategy's performance. [1 page summary – see minutes]	Hannah Jones Louise Wilce Cllr Griffiths	Performance Monitoring

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27 th January 2027	2027/28 draft Budget proposals (<i>invite other members?</i>)	Draft Revenue & Capital budget proposals – To scrutinise the 2025/26 Draft Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Budget Monitoring
	Strategic Risk Assessment (Additional Business?)	To scrutinise the overview of the current strategic risks facing the authority and suggest any further topics for scrutiny.	Hannah Carter Richard Jones Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
	<i>Economy, Employment and Skills Strategy action plan update?**</i>			
23 rd February 2027	2026/27 Financial Update Report	To scrutinise the budgetary position (revenue and capital) for services falling within the committee's remit.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
To be confirmed	Grants item – with People members?* +	To scrutinise the Council's use of grant money, to assure that it is fit for purpose.	Jonathan Davies	Performance Monitoring
To be confirmed	Consultants and Agencies – with People members?*	To scrutinise the Council's use of consultants and agency workers – the number, relative value, reasons, etc.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies?	Performance Monitoring
To be confirmed –	Shared Prosperity Funding 2023-25+	Shared Prosperity Funding measures 2023-2025, update on the measures	Hannah Jones Will McLean	Performance Reporting

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best end of 2025?		for transition year 25/26 and future funding risk.		
To be confirmed	Curriculum Impact	<i>To scrutinise the impact of the new curriculum on learners and results.</i>	Will McLean Sharon Randall-Smith Ed Pryce Cllr Wright	Performance Reporting
To be confirmed (Dec/Jan – 19th Jan 27?**))	Economy, Employment and Skills Strategy action plan update	<i>To update the committee on the Economy, Employment and Skills Strategy action plan.</i>	Hannah Jones James Woodcock Will McLean	Performance Reporting
To be confirmed	Recruitment and retention	<i>Effect on the Council's performance and ability to deliver.</i>		
To be confirmed	Use of Reserves	<i>Future proofing and resilience planning as well as supporting long-term strategic priorities.</i>	Peter Davies Jonathan Davies Cllr Callard	
To be confirmed Spring 2027 (23rd March?)	Development of Children's Placements – 12mth update	<i>To update the committee following scrutiny in April 26.</i>	Jane Rodgers Scott Hereford Diane Corrister Cllr Chandler	Performance Reporting
Social Justice Strategy progress				

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Business Monmouthshire Project monitoring				
'Learning led' review of educational provision in Chepstow				
Review of Property Assets				

- **Exclusions** ~ Annual Reporting ~ January/February
- **Additional Learning Provision & Specialist Resource Base development** ~ Annual Reporting ~ June
- **Support for Vulnerable Learners** ~ Annual Reporting ~ June