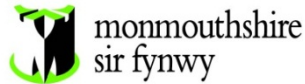


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Monday 11th March 2019

Notice of meeting

North Monmouthshire Area Committee

Wednesday, 20th March, 2019 at 1.00 pm

Goytre Village Hall and Social Club, Newtown Road,
Penperlleni, NP4 0AW.

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Paul Matthews

Chief Executive

MONMOUTHSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
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THE CONSTITUTION OF THE COMMITTEE IS AS FOLLOWS:

County Councillors:	M. Groucutt
	R. Harris
	G. Howard
	S. Howarth
	D. Jones
	S.B. Jones
	S. Jones
	P. Jordan
	M. Lane
	M. Powell
	J. Pratt
	T. Thomas
	K. Williams
	S. Woodhouse

Town / Community Council representatives:

Abergavenny Town Council	-	Councillor P. Simcock
Crucorney Community Council	-	Vacancy
Goetre Fawr Community Council	-	Councillor O. Dodd
Grosmont Community Council	-	Vacancy
Llanarth Community Council	-	Vacancy
Llanelly Community Council	-	Councillor G. Nelmes
Llanfoist Fawr Community Council	-	Councillor J. Webster
Llanover Community Council	-	Councillor G. Thomas
Llantilio Pertholey Community Council	-	Councillor M. Skinner

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Aims and Values of Monmouthshire County Council

Our purpose

Building Sustainable and Resilient Communities

Objectives we are working towards

- Giving people the best possible start in life
- A thriving and connected county
- Maximise the Potential of the natural and built environment
- Lifelong well-being
- A future focused council

Our Values

Openness. We are open and honest. People have the chance to get involved in decisions that affect them, tell us what matters and do things for themselves/their communities. If we cannot do something to help, we'll say so; if it will take a while to get the answer we'll explain why; if we can't answer immediately we'll try to connect you to the people who can help – building trust and engagement is a key foundation.

Fairness. We provide fair chances, to help people and communities thrive. If something does not seem fair, we will listen and help explain why. We will always try to treat everyone fairly and consistently. We cannot always make everyone happy, but will commit to listening and explaining why we did what we did.

Flexibility. We will continue to change and be flexible to enable delivery of the most effective and efficient services. This means a genuine commitment to working with everyone to embrace new ways of working.

Teamwork. We will work with you and our partners to support and inspire everyone to get involved so we can achieve great things together. We don't see ourselves as the 'fixers' or problem-solvers, but we will make the best of the ideas, assets and resources available to make sure we do the things that most positively impact our people and places.

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Report of Team Abergavenny to the North Monmouthshire Area Committee Meeting on 20th March 2019.

Since the last meeting we are disappointed to say that little progress has been made on key issues identified in our previous report.

Our outstanding concerns are as follows:

1. Frogmore Street redevelopment. There is no news of whether the bus stop alongside Tesco will be permitted or when it might start. Everyone agrees that this is a very important issue but still no news.
2. Town Hall. The “kiosks” around the support pillars inside the entrance are still not resolved. Traders are very much against them, as are we, because they will limit the flexibility of space in that area and close in the entrance way. There does not seem to be any acknowledgement that consultation on the internal layout with all stakeholders together would be worthwhile either.
3. King Henry VIII re-provision. We have written twice to Mr McLean asking if he would be prepared to talk to us about how the new school will work with the local community but so far no reply. This is an important area in which the community has a vested interest, with long-term repercussions if it is not done in the best way possible.
4. Local Development Plan. We are concerned that the MCC Strategy for jobs does not have any solid basis to attract new work to the north of the county. Most attention seems to be on the south and the Cardiff Area, with this area being ignored. Abergavenny has always been a dormitory area to some extent, but failing to find ways of bringing in employment other than lower level service industry jobs, means that people are being obliged to commute quite long distances which runs counter to the need to reduce our carbon footprint over time.. We are recommending that Planning should give a greater emphasis to building a sustainable and balanced economy in this area.
5. We are now engaged in checking why the police do not consult in advance with the community on matters involving their public duty to the community.

This report is regretfully quite negative, but we feel obliged to point out that once again that in this area community involvement is not being fully supported or being followed through to achieve meaningful results.

If the Area Management Committee is to be more effective we would like to suggest that replies and responses at a meeting should be completed in time for the next meeting.

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REPORT FROM THE NORTH MONMOUTHSHIRE LIAISON COMMITTEE

MARCH 2019

Background

The North Monmouthshire Liaison Committee (NMLC) is a meeting of Community & Town Councils. Each Community & Town Council can send a councillor and the clerk. To date meetings have taken place quarterly with changes a foot to meet prior to the North Monmouthshire Area Committee.

The purpose of the NMLC is to:

- Provide the opportunity for local councils to share good practice
- Discuss issues that affect all or some local councils including the impact of decisions made by the principal council Monmouthshire County Council and if appropriate agree a course of action
- Provide mutual support
- To consider and act upon opportunities for joint working including joint commissioning of services
- To strengthen the voice of the sector in North Monmouthshire
- To provide feedback from relevant meetings such as One Voice Wales Area Committee

The Chairmanship and Secretariat are undertaken on a rota basis.

Current Action

Training on Local Plan Preparation - The NMLC has recently been successful in receiving a £5000 from WG aimed at increasing collaboration between community & town councils. The NMLC specifically applied for the funding for training of Community & Town Councils and community organisations on Local Development Plan Preparation. The training was delivered by Planning Aid Wales at four venues in North Monmouthshire - Gilwern, Pandy, Abergavenny and Llanddewi Rhydderch. A further event has been arranged for 16th March. At this event issues raised during the four training sessions will be reported back and further work undertaken on developing the issues and how best to engage with the local planning authority.

Dog Waste – Discussions are at an early stage on whether there are different options available for dealing with the issue of dog waste. Currently most of the Community & Town Councils in the North Monmouthshire area use the same supplier as there is only one supplier offering the service in this area. There is a risk to service continuity should

a problem arise with the sole supplier. MCC officers are willing to work with Community & Town Councils on this matter and the support of Councillors would be welcomed.

Future of the sector - At the last meeting a WG official from the LG Partnerships Team attended and reported back on some of the immediate actions arising from the Independent Panel Review on the Community & Town Council Sector. Immediate actions include

- looking at how C & TCs find working together with their Principal Councils and the WG.
- Training bursaries will continue to be offered to strengthen the sector, and WG will continue to work with One Voice Wales to deepen the core training package for councils.
- WG are looking to understand how councils use social media and digital technologies to communicate with residents.
- Will be a survey to Clerks asking how they / the Council operate so that WG can be more helpful to the sector, possibly by providing case studies / best practice.
- WG are also working with OVW and Welsh Local Govt. Assoc. reviewing how services can be maintained, and the relationships between C & TCs and Principal Councils, to improve collaborative working.
- Training is also being reviewed. WG is interested in what is important to Councillors – should some training be mandatory? On-line provision is also being considered.

Training – Community & Town Councils can access training through One Voice Wales and other organisations. Also when approached MCC officers have given training to community & town councils and this is greatly appreciated. It is hoped that future requests will be met with the same positive response. Community & Town Councils share opportunities for training so that the MCC officer is not inundated with requests from across the County. For example, recently Code of Conduct training held in Abergavenny included councillors from Usk and Monmouth as well as North Monmouthshire Community & Town Councils.

Floral planters – Many Community & Town Councils fund floral displays in their community. Placing planters on a trunk road is not a simple matter as it requires liaison with SWTRA. Discussions are ongoing with SWTRA regarding the siting of planters in Abergavenny and Pandy.

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on Wednesday, 30th January, 2019 at 1.00 pm**

PRESENT: County Councillor M. Powell (Chair)

County Councillors: M. Groucutt, R. Harris, S. Howarth, S.B. Jones, S. Jones, P. Jordan, M. Lane, M. Powell, J. Pratt, T. Thomas, K. Williams and S. Woodhouse

County Councillor P. Murphy attended the meeting by invitation of the Chair.

Abergavenny Town Council: Councillor P. Simcock
Llanelly Community Council: Councillor G. Nelmes
Llanover Community Council: Councillor G. Thomas

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Peter Davies	Chief Officer, Resources
Roger Hoggins	Head of Operations
Deb Hill-Howells	Head of Commercial and Integrated Landlord Services
Richard Williams	Democratic Services Officer
Paul Keeble	Group Engineer (Highways and Flood Management)
Graham Kinsella	Traffic And Road Safety Manager
Ian Brain	Project Engineer
Rob Davies	Assistant Engineer
Rachel Lewis	Planning Policy Manager
Mark Hand	Head of Planning, Housing and Place-Shaping

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. A. Michie	-	Team Abergavenny
Mr. H. Candler	-	Team Abergavenny and Clerk to Llanover Community Council
Mr. N. Tatam	-	Team Abergavenny and Abergavenny Town Council
Councillor D. Simcock	-	Abergavenny Town Council
Councillor J. Peacock	-	Llanelly Community Councillor
Ms. J. Lee	-	Clerk to Abergavenny Town Council
Mr. A. Edwards	-	Clerk to Llanelly Community Council
Mr. R. Cole	-	Abergavenny Civic Society
Ms. L. Hywel	-	Y Fenni Business Community
Ms. S. Hurst	-	Public
O.R. Griffiths	-	Public
A.B. Griffiths	-	Public

APOLOGIES:

County Councillors: G. Howard and D. Jones
Councillor O. Dodd

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1. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest made by Members.

2. Public Open Forum

The Chair invited members of the public present to put questions to the Area Committee, or to raise issues of concern:

Litter bins on trunk road laybays

At a previous meeting of the Area Committee, the Clerk to Llanelly Community Council had informed the Area Committee that there was a lack of litter bins being provided on trunk road laybays resulting in these areas becoming havens for litter.

The Clerk to Llanelly Community Council requested that the Strong Communities Select Committee invites representatives from the South Wales Trunk Road Agent (SWTRA) to discuss this matter further.

We resolved that the Cabinet Member and the Head of Operations would liaise with the Clerk to Llanelly Community Council with a view to providing him with an update in respect of this matter.

3. Budget Consultation Engagement

The Cabinet Member for Resources provided a presentation on the 2019/20 budget proposals.

Presentation: [Budget Consultation presentation](#)

Having received the presentation, the following points were noted:

- In response to a question raised by a member of the public regarding the proposed changes to the Council's Waste Management Service, it was noted that a successful trial has been undertaken regarding recycling glass bottle waste. When the service is rolled out across the County, arrangements will be put in place to help vulnerable residents through the changes. Staff contact details will also be available should any member of the public require this.
- Concern was expressed regarding the changes to the proposed Waste Management Service and that a capital investment will be required to purchase new vehicles. It was considered that any savings generated would be reliant on the public adopting the new system. In response, it was acknowledged that the Authority is replacing older, more costly vehicles and investing in new and efficient vehicles with a view to collecting waste / recycling in a different way. There is a need to collect waste separately as this ensures that the value of the product is increased leading to an increase in income generated. A pilot of the new system has been trialled in Abergavenny with no drop off in take up

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identified. The changes will help the Authority to achieve the increasing recycling targets being set by Welsh Government.

- The proposed changes to the Waste Management Service have been considered by the Strong Communities Select Committee whereby the proposed boxes and reusable polypropylene bags were shown to the Committee. The bags are very robust and will last for a number of years.
- Concern was expressed that recycling figures might drop under the proposed changes to the Waste Management Service.
- Monmouthshire is the lowest funded Authority in Wales. Deprivation is a key factor in determining Welsh Government funding for local authorities across Wales. Though there are areas of deprivation within Monmouthshire, the Authority's areas of deprivation are not captured by Welsh Government in the way the Authority would like.
- A representative of Abergavenny Business Community expressed concern that the proposed increase in car parking charges within the town would create a detrimental effect on shoppers coming into the town. In response, it was noted that the number of vacant properties within Abergavenny was reducing. The impact of car parking charges within the town depends on the retail offer being provided there. The local Authority was working with local businesses.
- Concern was expressed that the car parking charges across the County were inconsistent. For example, the first two hours parking provision in Morrison's Supermarket is free and there is no car parking charges in Usk. In response, it was noted that the inequities in car park charging reflects the offer from each of the four towns.

We noted the report and presentation.

4. Local Development Plan: Draft Vision Issues and Objectives

We received a presentation and the Draft Issues, Vision and Objectives Paper in relation to the Monmouthshire Replacement Local Development Plan.

Having received the report, the following points were noted:

- It was considered that residents aged over 65 were a resource that could be utilised by the Authority. These are people with a varied range of skills that could be drawn upon.
- Housing development is being undertaken within Abergavenny. However, job creation was not in keeping with the housing development being provided.
- In response to a question raised regarding the development of a new town within Monmouthshire, it was noted that this could still be an option for consideration.

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However, should approval be granted, it would take a number of years before this would come to fruition.

The Head of Planning, Housing and Place Shaping informed the Committee that any further feedback should be sent to the Planning Department by 13th February 2019, as the Local Development Plan: Draft Vision and Objectives report would be presented to the Economy and Development Select Committee on 14th February 2019 for scrutiny.

We noted the report and presentation.

5. Abergavenny Public Realm Improvements Phase 3

We received a report and presentation regarding Abergavenny Public Realm Improvements Phase 3.

The final design has been agreed following extensive consultations with the community and Team Abergavenny. The general layout has not been substantially changed with the exception of the area in the vicinity of the War Memorial.

The section between Whitehorse Lane and the Baker Street junction is now traffic free and provides a substantial open space which is being developed in a similar style to St. John's Square.

The Baker Street / Frogmore Street junction will be a transitional area between the public open space and a conventional footway / carriageway split in Upper Frogmore Street.

Upper Frogmore Street will be reconstructed with a traditional footway / carriageway arrangement with kerbed edges.

The width of the carriageway will be reduced to the minimum possible allowing the footways to be extended. The material pallet for this section is proposed as permeable block pavements for the carriageway with the footways being styled in the fashion of St John's Square with a mixture of penant slabs and `suresett` bound gravel.

It is proposed to make a `no left turn` for motor vehicles into Baker Street from Frogmore Street, allowing cyclists to continue to use this route. This will allow the provision of some disabled parking spaces to be located at the end of Baker Street to compensate for lost spaces elsewhere.

It is proposed to introduce a contraflow cycle lane along Lion Street from the shared space at the junction of Market Street to allow a safe cycle access from the A40.

The commencement date for Phase 3 is 28th January 2019.

Having received the report, the following points were noted:

- Abergavenny needs to be a destination town for tourism with Frogmore Street being a pedestrianised zone to create a café culture. Discussion ensued

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regarding this matter concluding with officers being asked to undertake a safety audit before a decision is taken in respect of this matter. The Group Engineer - Highways and Flood Management will meet with the County and Town Councillors representing this area.

- Concern was expressed that buses were continuing to illegally pick up passengers outside the Robert Price building. In response, the Group Engineer - Highways and Flood Management stated that bus companies had been told not to stop at this location. However, he would liaise with the Passenger Transport Unit regarding this matter.
- The Group Engineer - Highways and Flood Management would investigate providing additional 'left turn' signing at King Street.
- Concern was expressed that if the bollards were removed near Wetherspoons, this might lead to a minority of young people using this route to speed excessively, as has occurred in other areas of the town.
- There was some debate about whether Frogmore Street should be opened up to traffic in the evenings. The Group Engineer advised the committee that a Safety Audit is currently being carried out to assist in making this decision and it was agreed that officers would meet with the Chair and Local Members to discuss the findings of the report and consider how to proceed.

We noted the report and presentation.

6. Progress report by Team Abergavenny

We received a report by Team Abergavenny on progress to date. In doing so, an update was received in respect of:

- Public Realm Progress.
- The new car parking charges.
- Town Hall Hub development.

In doing so, The Team Abergavenny representative expressed concern that the first two hours free parking provision in Morrison's Supermarket was creating a detrimental effect on the town.

Team Abergavenny would also be writing to the Police and Crime Commissioner expressing its concerns regarding the closure of Abergavenny Police Station.

We noted the report.

7. Speed Management Strategy

We received a presentation and report regarding the Monmouthshire Speed Management Strategy.

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This policy will set out the Councils approach to speed management within the County and will form part of the overall Monmouthshire Road Safety Strategy.

Having considered the report, the following points were noted:

- The Strategy is welcomed as it will proactively investigate issues and help to reduce road traffic accidents.
- Town and Community Councils will be consulted regarding the Speed Management Strategy.
- Speed gathering instruments, such as tubes across the road, tend to record the average speed of vehicles but discounts the top 15% of highest speeds recorded. Cyclists' speeds are also included in the data recorded, which is affecting the data received. It was noted that the updated Road Safety Strategy had identified this matter.

We noted the report and presentation.

8. Verbal update regarding the refurbishment of Abergavenny Hub

We received a verbal update regarding the refurbishment of Abergavenny Hub. In doing so, the following points were noted:

- Approval for the development of Abergavenny Hub was granted in 2016. However, due to some technical difficulties, the development of the hub has not yet been completed.
- Full Council had consented to the development of the Town Hall building in September 2016.
- A Listed building application and a planning application were drawn up in March 2018.
- Plans were drawn up by the scheme's architects whereby a series of discussions were held with users of the building to assess their requirements.
- Amended plans were drawn up in September 2018.
- Planning permission and Listed Building consent were approved in December 2018.
- A budget in the sum of £2.1M for the refurbishment had been approved.
- Work was being undertaken with the Borough Theatre manager regarding integration of the theatre into the refurbishment.

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- Six expressions of interest had been received from construction companies. Two companies had submitted bids for the refurbishment work. It is anticipated that an appointment will be made in due course.
- There will be two lifts, one located at the front of the building, with the other lift located in the existing lift shaft at the side of the building.
- The refurbishment will include a six metre mezzanine.
- The aim is to commence construction work in March 2019.
- There will be six phases of work being undertaken with a build timeframe of 32 weeks.
- The Abergavenny Hub will aim to open in November 2019. However, it was noted that all of the timeframes identified are currently provisional. When the preferred constructor is appointed, the timeframe for the works can be formally agreed.

Having received the verbal update, the following points were noted:

- During the construction phase, the Borough Theatre box office will be temporarily relocated within the One Stop Shop. Officers are working with the Theatre manager regarding this matter.
- Abergavenny Town Council's office will remain on site.
- Two trading pods will be located under the mezzanine. However, should this not be required by the traders, the pods could be removed.
- Dust from refurbishment work will be retained within the work area.
- During the refurbishment every effort will be made to retain all of the traders within the hall. However, if needed, an area outside of the hall, but under cover, could be provided for some traders temporarily.
- A newsletter will be issued to all traders with a time table of construction work when the dates have been agreed.
- Traders' rents will not be increased this year due to the potential disruption during the refurbishment.

We noted the verbal update.

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9. Presentation from the Community and Partnership Development Team - Delivering the Social Justice Plan

We resolved that the Communities and Partnership Development Lead Officer would update the Area Committee via email with regard to delivering the Social Justice Plan.

10. Abergavenny Town Council Town Strategy and Action Plan

We received and noted, for information purposes, the Abergavenny Town Council Town Strategy and Action Plan.

11. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the North Monmouthshire Area Committee dated 28th November 2018 were confirmed and signed by the Chair.

12. Forward Planner for Cabinet and Council Business

We received and noted the forward planner for Cabinet and Council Business.

13. North Monmouthshire Area Committee Future Work Programme

We received and noted the North Monmouthshire Area Committee future work programme.

14. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at Gilwern Community Centre, subject to availability, on Wednesday 20th March 2019 at 1.00pm.

The meeting ended at 4.20 pm.

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2019

Adults Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
28 th March 2019	Gypsy and Travellers Needs Assessment	To explore sifting tools and planning criteria to determine site suitability.	Ian Bakewell Stephen Griffiths (Invite Powys)	Workshop
5 th April 2019	Gypsy and Travellers Needs Assessment	Possible Site Visit to Powys and Newport.	Ian Bakewell Stephen Griffiths	Workshop
Special Meeting Date TBC Monday 29 th (10/2) Tues 30 th (2pm) Tues 7 th May (10) Wed 8 th May (10/2)	Hospital Service Provision for Monmouthshire	To provide an update on the Chepstow hospital- dementia services/ inpatient/ outpatient services/wards and beds, the position for Nevill Hall and the Royal Gwent in line with the future services at Llanfrechfa Grange.	Aneurin Bevan University Health Board	Policy Development/Performance Monitoring
30 th April 2019	Housing Policy	To discuss the methodology for calculating the redemption on Property Appreciation Loans and to provide a steer to Cabinet.	Stephen Griffiths	Policy Development
	Eco Flex Policy	To discuss the merits and implications of declaring a 'Statement of Intent' and adopting this new policy.	Stephen Griffiths	Policy Development
18 th June 2019	TBC			
23 rd July 2019	Corporate Plan and Annual Report TBC	To hold cabinet members to account on performance and alignment of service delivery to the corporate plan.	Julie Boothroyd Richard Jones	Performance Monitoring

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2019

Adults Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
24 th September 2019				
22 nd October 2019	Universal Credit (TBC)	A report on the impact of the rollout of Universal Credit. Discussion on Discretionary Housing Payments Policy. Invite Housing Associations and DWP.	Ian Bakewell	Performance Monitoring
10 th December 2019				

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Future Agreed Work Programme Items: Dates to be determined

- ✓ Homelessness Update ~ Ian Bakewell
- ✓ Disabled Facilities Grant ~ Ian Bakewell
- ✓ Dementia Friendly Progress report ~ October 2019
- ✓ Future Commissioning of Adults Services ~ linked to "Turning the World Upside Down"
- ✓ My Mates programme
- ✓ Community Development and Well-being
- ✓ Welfare ~ Discussion with Monmouthshire Housing Association on current stock and new home development, support for welfare reform
- ✓ Annual Complaints Report for Social Services

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2019

Joint Scrutiny with Children and Young People's Select Committee:

- ✓ **“Information, Advice and Assistance Service** ~ responsibility of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 ~ (January/February 2018)
- ✓ **The implementation of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014** ~ (October 2017)
- ✓ **Mental Health and Learning Disabilities** ~ linked to implications of the DOLS (Deprivation Liberty Safeguards) Grant
- ✓ **Well-being** ~ responsibilities of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 around connected communities and meeting needs
- ✓ **Implementation of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014** ~ review post 18 month together with the duties around prisons ~ (March 2018)
- ✓ **Safeguarding Performance Reporting and Progress of Regional Safeguarding Boards** ~ Violence against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015
- ✓ **Regional Integrated Autism Service**
- ✓ **Annual Report**

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2019

Children and Young People's Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
22nd March 2019 (Special Meeting)	Future options for Mounton House School	To discuss the future of Mouton House School.	Will Mclean	Pre-decision Scrutiny
	Schools Admission Policy and School Catchment Areas	To seek the views of scrutiny as part of the consultation on the proposed changes. The consultation ends on 25 th February 2019, following which proposals will be developed for Cabinet to consider on the 3 rd April. Pre-decision scrutiny of final proposals would need to take place.	Debbie Morgan	Pre-decision Scrutiny
4th April 2019	Chief Officers Annual Report	Scrutiny of Self-evaluation report.	Will Mclean Julie Boothroyd	Performance Monitoring
	New School Curriculum	Invite Education Achievement Service to present.	Helen Power, EAS	Performance Monitoring
	Nursery provision	Scrutiny of the plans for welsh government to give 30 hours free childcare for nursery age..	Invite Newport Council (administrators)	Policy Development
21st May 2019	Educational Attainment ~Strategy for improving performance	To consider a new strategy that has been developed to improve the educational performance of pupils who are in receipt of free school meals.	Cath Bevan, EAS Will Mclean	Performance Monitoring
Date TBC (Possibly consider on 21st May)	Family Support Services	Discussion on Family Support Services and the recently implemented Edge of Care Team and BASE.	Julie Boothroyd	Performance Monitoring
	School Transport *TBC *	To scrutinise the safeguarding arrangements of home to school transport.	Julie Boothroyd Roger Hoggins	Performance Monitoring

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2019

Children and Young People's Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
9 th July 2019	Corporate Plan and Annual Report TBC	To hold cabinet members to account on performance and alignment of service delivery to the corporate plan.	Julie Boothroyd Richard Jones	Performance Monitoring
17 th September 2019				
12 th November 2019				
17 th December 2019				

Future Agreed Work Programme Items: Dates to be determined

- Young People's Mental Health Support in Schools: Chair to liaise with Chief Officer
- Report on standards in schools: February 2019
- Support for Foster Carers
- School Placement Capacity ~ numbers in the south of the county considering the new housing developments planned.
- Verbal update report on Free School Meal assessment (via the Benefits Team).
- Children with Complex Needs and play provision.
- Schools in terms of outcomes - quality indicators from new inspection framework/how categorisation works and actions taken to support improvement/EIB and Intervention Monitoring/ Donaldson Report on Successful Futures. Report on the Pioneer Schools. Review of 21st Century Schools. Vulnerable Pupil report expected New Year. April 2019
- Inclusion updates - wellbeing/attitudes to learning/supporting the pupil voice
- Non-maintained/Early Years - provision/outcomes/childcare offer
- National Categorisation/Estyn outcomes -Progress towards addressing recommendations
- Post 16 education provision/Apprenticeships/Engagement and progression
- Welsh Education Strategic Plan - annual update
- Childcare sufficiency - annual update

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- **Children's Mental Health and Counselling Services**
- **Well-being reporting (obesity, eating disorders etc)**
- **Young Carers Strategy** ~ Implementation of the first year
- **Flying Start** ~ presentation for information

Joint Scrutiny with Children and Young People's Select Committee:

- ✓ **"Information, Advice and Assistance Service** ~ responsibility of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 ~ (January/February 2018)
- ✓ **The implementation of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014** ~ (October 2017)
- ✓ **Mental Health and Learning Disabilities** ~ linked to implications of the DOLS (Deprivation Liberty Safeguards) Grant
- ✓ **Well-being** ~ responsibilities of the Social Services and Well-being Act 2014 around connected communities and meeting needs

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Economy Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
28 th March 2019	Broadband	Welsh Government to attend to update on the Superfast Cymru 2 broadband programme. Members to consider a situational analysis and options appraisal with a view to addressing digital deprivation within the county.	Cath Fallon Bob Greenland	Performance Monitoring
	Abergavenny Tourist Information Centre	To consider the feasibility of moving Abergavenny Tourist Information Centre from the Tithe Barn to the Town Hall as part of its upcoming refurbishment programme.	Cath Fallon	Pre-decision Scrutiny
Mid to late May 2019 Date TBC	Local Development Plan WORKSHOP 2	<p>Discussion on 2 interrelated areas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Growth scenarios ~ Consultants work on projections 2) Planning Policy Wales version 10 ~ discussion on the implications for new settlements (context on the Welsh Government approach). <p>Outcome: To discuss some of the complexities in applying legislation to local place shaping.</p>	Mark Hand Rachel Lewis Bob Greenland	Policy Development

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TBC	Future Economies WORKSHOP 2	Discussion with the Forest of Dean Council on issues of mutual interest: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Impact of the removal of the Severn Tolls ✓ Tourism and enterprise ✓ Affordable housing, transport 	Mark Hand Cath Fallon James Woodhouse	Action Learning
9 th May 2019	Alternative Delivery Model *TBC* Possible earlier Special meeting.	Scrutiny of all final documents appertaining to the enactment of MonLife and MonLife Plus.	Tracey Thomas Ian Saunders Marie Bartlett	Performance monitoring/policy development
27 th June 2019	Corporate Plan and Annual Report TBC	To hold cabinet members to account on performance and alignment of service delivery to the corporate plan.	Frances Taylor Richard Jones	Performance Monitoring
	Asset Management Strategy Update	To review the investment strategy in line with business planning.	Deb Hill Howells Peter Davies	Performance monitoring/policy development
5 th September 2019				
10 th October 2019				
14 th November 2019				
19 th December 2019				

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Future Meeting Items: Agreed Scrutiny Focus for 2018-19

- **Affordable housing, transport and the LDP**
- **Impact of the removal of the Severn Tolls**
- **Tourism and enterprise**
- **ICT in Schools** ~ scrutinise jointly with CYP Select ~ Post Evaluation Review to return. Joint scrutiny of the outcomes for young people: Implementing the technology → delivering the teaching and learning → digital attainment levels.
- **Marketing Monmouthshire for Business** ~ potential workshop
- **Business and Enterprise Strategy**
- **Asset Investment Strategy and progress of projects**
- **Committee Engagement with businesses on their needs.**

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Strong Communities Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
21st March 2019	Waste Collections Policy	To discuss the proposed policy for waste collections, including missed collections and assisted collections. The committee to act as a sounding board prior to decision.	Carl Touhig	Policy Development
Special Meeting 2019 to be confirmed	Traffic & Road Safety	To present a strategy for dealing with traffic and road safety To present the Speeding Management Process being worked upon by the Strong Communities Task and Finish Group) ~ following a public workshop to be held in September.	Paul Keeble Roger Hoggins	Policy Development
18th April 2019	Strategic Equality Report	TBC	Alan Burkitt	Performance Monitoring
	Public Toilets	Pre-decision Scrutiny of the draft Local Toilet Strategy following public consultation ahead of Cabinet decision on 5 th June.	David Jones	Pre-decision Scrutiny
Date TBC	Modern Slavery	Workshop to be held to introduce the key issues and to discuss an action plan. * All members invited *	David Jones Diane Corrister Sharran Lloyd	Workshop
May 2019 (Special Meeting) TBC	Public Protection	Scrutiny of the Performance Report 2018-2019.	David Jones	Performance Monitoring
	Registrars Service	Scrutiny of the service and its performance 2018-19.	David Jones	Performance Monitoring

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Strong Communities Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
6 th June 2019	Welsh Language Monitoring Report	TBC	Alan Burkitt	Performance Monitoring
11 th July 2019	Corporate Plan and Annual Report TBC	To hold cabinet members to account on performance and alignment of service delivery to the corporate plan.	Frances Taylor Richard Jones	Performance Monitoring
26 th September 2019	Rights of Way Improvement Plan	Pre-decision scrutiny on the final plan in September/October ~ following the assessment stage, there will be a formal review, preparation of a draft plan, formal consultation prior to decision.	Matthew Lewis	Pre-decision Scrutiny
7 th November 2019				
13 th December 2019				

Future Agreed Work Programme Items: Dates to be determined

- × Report on Grounds Maintenance ~ Scrutiny or email?
- × Cremations and Burials ~ 3 Members to investigate/report back.
- × Highways Management Plan ~ Paul Keeble
- × Large vehicles on small roads policy
- × Chepstow and Monmouth Wye pedestrian bridge
- × Open Space Review ~ review of open spaces and the prioritisation and management of highways ~ strategic review rather than operational.

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- × **Modern Day Slavery and Human Trafficking** ~ Workshop, then report through select committee.

Emerging issues/topics to be raised with the committee before inclusion ~ some reports to be received by email for comment rather than in-depth scrutiny

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Public Service Board Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
10th October 2018	Public Service Board Wellbeing Plan	Scrutiny of the action plan to deliver the vision.	Matthew Gatehouse Sharran Lloyd	Performance Monitoring
	Scrutiny of Partners	Scrutiny partners on their delivery of the well-being objectives and future actions.	Gwent Police	
	Adverse Childhood Experiences	Feedback from the workshop held on 1 st October.	Sharran Lloyd	
	Regional Project Work Update	An update report.	Richard Jones	
9th January 2019	Progress on the steps being delivered as part Monmouthshire's Well-being Plan	<p>The PSB has prioritised six steps for focus over a 6 month period. The committee will receive a progress update from two partners of the Public Service Board on the steps for which they are the lead agency:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promoting active citizenship - led by Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations • Re-addressing the supply and mix of housing stock - led by Monmouthshire County Council with involvement of registered social landlords 	Matthew Gatehouse, MCC Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations	Performance Monitoring
26th March 2019	TBC Progress on the steps being delivered as part	The PSB has prioritised six steps for focus over a 6 month period. The committee will receive a progress update from two partners of the Public	Matthew Gatehouse	Performance Monitoring

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Public Service Board Select Committee				
Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny
	Monmouthshire's Well-being Plan	Service Board on the steps for which they are the lead agency:		

PSB DATES:

18th January 2019 10am
4th April 2019 10am

PSB SELECT DATES: TBC

9th January 2019 10am
26th March 2019 at 10am

Future Work Programme Items:

Housing input in terms of meeting the Well-being Objective: Respond to the challenges associated with demographic change

- Future Inter-generational Living ~ Monmouthshire Housing Association and Melin (very early stage)
- Readdress the supply and mix of housing stock to ensure suitable and affordable housing is available to all demographic groups ~ to assist us with developing our new Local Development Plan.

Cabinet, Council and Individual Cabinet Member Decisions (ICMD) Forward Plan

Monmouthshire County Council is required to publish a forward plan of all key decisions to be taken. Council and Cabinet items will only be considered for decision if they have been included on the planner no later than the month preceding the meeting, unless the item is considered urgent.

Committee / Decision Maker	Meeting date / Decision due	Subject	Purpose	Author	Date item added to the planner	Date item originally scheduled for decision
Cabinet	06/11/19	Long Term Household Recycling		Roger Hoggins	29/01/19	
Cabinet	02/10/19	Usk Town Strategy		Frances Williams	29/01/19	
Cabinet	06/06/19	Budget Monitoring report - month 12 (period 3) - outturn	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with information on the forecast outturn position of the Authority at end of month reporting for 2018/19 financial year.	Joy Robson/Mark Howcroft	17/04/18	
Cabinet	01/05/19	Toilet Strategy		Dave Jones	06/03/19	
Cabinet	01/05/19	Section 106 Funding – The Hill, Abergavenny		Mike Moran	20/02/19	
Cabinet	01/05/19	Section 106 Funding – Penperlleni		Mike Moran	20/02/19	
Cabinet	01/05/19	Proposed Off-Road Cycling Centre, Llanfoist		Mike Moran	20/02/19	
Cabinet	01/05/19	Play Sufficiency Audit and Action Plan 2019		Mike Moran	20/02/19	

Cabinet	01/05/19	Proposed changes to the membership of the school budget finance forum	This paper is to propose changing the membership of the school budget forum to allow wider representation	Nikki Wellington	15/02/19	
Council	11/04/19	Development Company		Peter Davies		
Cabinet	03/04/19	Cabinet to agree to commence statutory consultation to open a new Welsh Medium Primary School in Monmouth.		Debbie Morgan	05/03/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Agency and Self Employed Workers Policy		Sally Thomas	26/02/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Recruitment & Selection Policy		Sally Thomas	26/02/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Section 106 funding – Forensic Science Laboratory Site, Chepstow		Mike Moran	20/02/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Section 106 Funding – Sudbrook Paper Mill		Mike Moran	20/02/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Speed Management		Roger Hoggins	29/01/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	LPD issues objectives and vision		Mark Hand	29/01/19	
Cabinet	03/04/19	Digital Deprivation			29/01/19	

Cabinet	03/04/19	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 9 held on the 7th March 2019.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
ICMD	02/04/19	Consolidated Traffic Order		Roger Hoggins	29/01/19	
ICMD	27/03/19	DEFINITIVE MAP MODIFICATION ORDER, PRICES BRIDGE, WHITELYE, TRELLECH		Ruth Rourke	05/03/19	
ICMD	27/03/19	Weekend Traffic Orders		Roger Hoggins	29/01/19	
ICMD	27/03/19	BLAENAVON INDUSTRIAL LANDSCAPE WORLD HERITAGE SITE MANAGEMENT PLAN (2018 - 2023)	To seek approval of the Blaenavon Industrial Landscape World Heritage Site Management Plan (2018-2023).	Matthew Lewis	08/03/19	
ICMD	27/03/19	DRAFT INFILL DEVELOPMENT SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING GUIDANCE		MARK HAND	06/03/19	
ICMD	27/03/19	Future Housing Management Register	NO LONGER REQUIRED	Mark Hard	29/01/19	
ICMD	27/03/19	Youth Support Grant Additional Funding	Cllr Richard John	Hannah Jones	21/01/19	
ICMD	13/03/19	Non Domestic Rates:High Street and Retail Rates Relief		Ruth Donovan	01/03/19	
ICMD	13/03/19	Use of S106 funding in Wyesham	Cllr Bryan Jones	Mike Moran	20/02/19	

ICMD	13/03/19	Proposed prohibition of waiting at any time Capel Y Ffin to Llanvihangel Crucorney Rd		Paul Keeble	19/02/19	
ICMD	13/03/19	Restructure of Housing Options Scheme	DEFERRED	Ian Bakewell	04/02/19	
ICMD	13/03/19	PSPO Consider Condition of all MCC car parks		Andrew Mason	08/01/19	
ICMD	13/03/19	Formula Change for Mounton House		Nikki Wellington		
Council	07/03/19	Road Safety Strategy		Rogger Hoggins	29/01/19	
Council	07/03/19	Final Budget Proposals	Combined with Council Tax Resolution Report	Peter Davies	11/09/18	
Council	07/03/19	Treasury Management Strategy 2019/20	To accept the annual treasury Management	Peter Davies	11/09/18	
Council	07/03/19	Council Tax Resolution 2019/20	To set budget and Council tax for 2019/20	Ruth Donovan	11/09/18	
Cabinet	06/03/19	Future Options for Mounton House School		Will Mclean	27/09/18	
Cabinet	06/03/19	2019/20 Education and Welsh Church Trust Funds Investment and Fund Strategies	The purpose of this report is to present to Cabinet for approval the 2019/20 Investment and Fund Strategy for Trust Funds for which the Authority acts as sole or custodian trustee for adoption and to approve the 2018/19 grant allocation to Local Authority beneficiaries of the Welsh Church Fund	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	

Cabinet	06/03/19	Report to Federate the Governing Bodies of Llanfoist Fawr and Llanvihangel Crucorney Primary Schools.		Cath Saunders		
Cabinet	06/03/19	Investment Case to Deliver next phase of procurement strategy		Peter Davies		
ICMD	27/02/19	ESTABLISHMENT OF URBAN AND PHYSICAL REGENERATION TEAM		Cath Fallon	29/01/19	
Council	21/02/19	Addressing our lack of a five year housing land supply: a review of Monmouthshire's approach to unallocated housing sites		Mark Hand	29/01/19	
Council	21/02/19	REGENERATION OF SEVERNSIDE & THE FUTURE ROLE OF CALDICOT TOWN TEAM.		Cath Fallon	29/01/19	
Council	21/02/19	Capitalisation of Revenue Costs		Mark Howcroft	29/01/19	
Cabinet - Special	20/02/19	Final Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals		Peter Davies	20/09/18	
ICMD	13/02/19	Lido facility in Bailey Park		Deb Hill Howells	21/01/19	

ICMD	13/02/19	Prohibition of waiting at anytime, Lansdown Road, Abergavenny		Paul Keeble	15/01/19	
Cabinet	06/02/19	Local Housing Market Assessment		Mark Hand	29/01/19	
Cabinet	06/02/19	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 8 held on the 17th January 2019.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
ICMD	30/01/19	Data Protection & GDPR Officer for Schools		Sian Hawyard		
ICMD	30/01/19	Social Care & Health Senior Leadership Review Follow up		Tyrone Stokes		
Council	17/01/19	Council Tax Reduction Scheme 2018/19		Ruth Donovan	11/09/18	
ICMD	16/01/19	IN-HOUSE SENIOR CARE & SUPPORT WORKER RE-GRADING		Colin Richings	31/12/18	

ICMD	16/01/19	DOMESTIC ASSISTANT POST RE-GRADE		Sian Gardner	31/12/18	
ICMD	16/01/19	Monmouthshire LDP Sustainability Appraisal Scoping Report and Habitats Regulations Appraisal Initial Screening		Mark Hand/Rachel Lewis	21/12/18	
ICMD	16/01/19	LOCAL GOVERNMENT (WALES) ACT 1994	THE LOCAL AUTHORITIES (PRECEPTS) (WALES) REGULATIONS 1995	Jonathan S Davies	18/12/18	
Cabinet	09/01/19	Final Draft Budget Proposals or recommendation to Council.		Joy Robson	17/04/18	
Cabinet	09/01/19	Welsh Church Fund Working Group	The purpose of this report is to make recommendations to Cabinet on the Schedule of Applications 2018/19, meeting 7 held on the 13th December 2018.	Dave Jarrett	17/04/18	
Cabinet	09/01/19	Budget Monitoring report - month 7 (period 2)	The purpose of this report is to provide Members with information on the forecast outturn position of the Authority at end of month reporting for 2018/19 financial year.	Joy Robson/Mark Howcroft	17/04/18	

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ITEM	BACKGROUND DETAIL	REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS
<p>Standard Items:</p> <p>Team Abergavenny</p> <p>Cabinet / Scrutiny Work Plans</p> <p>Strategic Transport Group</p> <p>Development of the Wellbeing Plan and Active Citizenship</p> <p>Voluntary Sector Organisations</p> <p>North Monmouthshire Liaison Committee</p>	<p>To receive an update report on progress to date. (Alan Michie / Peter John).</p> <p>To receive the work plans.</p> <p>To receive an update on progress from County Councillor S. Woodhouse (Area Committee’s representative on the Strategic Transport Group).</p> <p>To receive an update specific to the North Monmouthshire area.</p> <p>Invite voluntary sector organisations in Abergavenny to provide the Area Committee with information on what they do.</p> <p>To receive an update by the North Monmouthshire Liaison Committee.</p>	<p>Standard agenda item</p> <p>Standard agenda item</p> <p>15th May 2019</p> <p>Standard agenda item</p> <p>15th May 2019</p> <p>Standard agenda item</p>
<p>New Work Programme Items:</p> <p>Abergavenny Town Council Plan</p>	<p>To receive an update on progress regarding the Town Plan.</p>	<p>20th March 2019</p>

Abergavenny Railway Station Footbridge	An invitation to be extended to a representative of Network Rail (Samuel Hadley) to provide a further update on the refurbishment of the footbridge.	20 th March 2019
The Town Fishery	To receive a verbal update regarding the town fishery as the management has been let to a new consortium led by the Gwent Angling Society (Matthew Lewis, Green Infrastructure and Countryside Manager in attendance).	20 th March 2019
Highway issues at Nevill Hall Hospital	Invite representatives from MCC Highways and from Aneurin Bevan University Health Board to discuss highways issues (buses blocking ambulances from accessing / departing due to inadequate highway measures).	15 th May 2019
Natural Resources Wales (NRW)	Invite a representative from NRW to outline what it is doing for the North of the County due to concerns raised at the lack of NRW resources.	15 th May 2019