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27th March 2025	**Nedern Maintenance**	To discuss the maintenance of the Nedern, particularly throughout the Castle grounds, Caldicot.	James Galsworthy (NRW)	External Scrutiny
	Bats and Habitats Regulations Appraisals	To discuss the protection of horseshoe bats and related HRA, particularly regarding proposed new housing.	*(NRW response)* Andy Karran (Gwent Wildlife Trust)	External Scrutiny
22nd May 2025 – NO MORE ITEMS	**Active Travel**	To scrutinise various aspects of Active Travel, including Bridges, Engagement, Disabled Access, Castle Meadows, Llanfoist and Abergavenny Railway Station links	Paul Sullivan Graham Kinsella Nicholas Tulp Ian Saunders Cllr Maby	Pre-decision Scrutiny
	Destination Management Plan	To conduct pre-decision scrutiny.	Colette Bosley Ian Saunders Cllr Griffiths	Pre-decision Scrutiny
SPECIAL 5th JUNE 2025	**RLDP (single item agenda)**	To scrutinise the Replacement Local Development Plan before Council on 26th June.	Craig O'Connor Deb Hill-Howells Cllr Griffiths	Pre-decision Scrutiny
10th July 2025	**Placemaking Plans (no other items)**	To scrutinise the Monmouth, Abergavenny, Magor (and Chepstow?) Placemaking Plans.	Craig O'Connor Daniel Fordham Cllr Griffiths	Pre-decision Scrutiny
25th September 2025	**Markets and Stalls**	To scrutinise the rates for markets and stallholders, and the policies for them generally.	Tracey Thomas Mathew Wooles Simon Parfitt	Policy Development

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6th November 2025	***Local Flood Strategy (Joint with Public Services Committee?) – TBC***	*Pre-decision scrutiny of adoption of the Local Flood Strategy.*	*Craig O'Connor* *Cllr Maby*	*Pre-decision Scrutiny*
11th December 2025	***Sustainable Drainage Systems – TBC (covered in Flood Strategy scrutiny?)***	*To scrutinise SuDs and drainage on estates in the county.*	*Ross Price* *Craig O'Connor* *Cllr Griffiths*	*Policy Development*
5th February 2026				
19th March 2026				
To be confirmed – Summer 2025?	***Car Parking Review***		*Carl Touhig* *Cllr Griffiths*	
To be confirmed	***Shire Hall Museum Monmouth***	*To scrutinise progress of the National Lottery Heritage Fund development phase and consider options for the stage 2 delivery bid.*	*Ian Saunders* *Tracey Thomas* *Cllr Sandles*	*Policy Development*
To be confirmed	***Pavement Café Policy***	*To scrutinise the pavement café policy as the basis for making decisions on applications for licences.*	*Graham Kinsella?* *Cllr Griffiths*	*Policy Development*
To be confirmed	***Road Safety Strategy***	*To scrutinise the Road Safety Strategy.*	*Geraint Roberts* *Cllr Maby*	*Pre-decision Scrutiny*
To be confirmed	***Destination management Plan***	*To conduct pre-decision scrutiny.*	*Colette Bosley* *Ian Saunders* *Cllr Griffiths*	*Pre-decision Scrutiny*

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To be confirmed	***Tackling Poverty and Inequality Action Plan***	*To scrutinise performance against the action plan.*	*Lucinda Boyland* *Cllr Sandles*	*Performance Monitoring*
To be confirmed	***Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy***	*To scrutinise progress of the strategy prior to Cabinet decision.*	*Deb Hill-Howells* *Ian Hoccom* *Cllr Maby*	*Pre-decision Scrutiny*
To be confirmed	***Monlife Heritage Strategy***		*Tracey Thomas*	
Corporate and Community Plan Items for the Committee's consideration for inclusion into the Place Scrutiny Forward Plan:				
Inclusive Cultural Strategy				
Increase the use of local produce in schools and care homes and new food strategies and policies approved by Cabinet				
Nature Isn't Neat expansion				
Development of Active Travel routes				

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Development of a new station at Magor and improvements at Severn Tunnel Junction **Creating plans for a metro that links Monmouthshire to Bristol, Newport and Cardiff**				
RLDP submission for examination				
Develop a county-wide digital solution that matches those who need to travel with those who have car spaces				
RLDP for adoption				
Find new ways to progress refurbishment of Caldicot Leisure Centre				

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Deforestation and school meals procurement - Food Strategy - Jointly with P&O				