

## Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2025-26

| Meeting Date                                            | Subject                                                                    | Purpose of Scrutiny                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Responsibility                                             | Type of Scrutiny   |
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| 7 <sup>th</sup> April 2025                              | <b>Highways Responsibilities and Funding</b>                               | To provide an overview on the funding for highways, the responsibilities of the Council, the South Wales Trunk Road Agency and others. Discussion on issues raised by Members in relation to the M48, A466 and the two Severn Bridge Crossings. | Carl Touhig                                                | Policy Development |
|                                                         | <b>Potholes and Road Repairs</b>                                           | To provide the Committee with oversight of how the recent monies allocated to Councils from UK Government will be spent in Monmouthshire.                                                                                                       | Carl Touhig                                                | Policy Development |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2025<br><i>All Members invited</i> | <b>National Highways – M48 and Severn Bridge 7.5t weight Limit</b>         | To discuss the proposed changes to the operation of the Severn Bridges and the implications for Monmouthshire with National Highways, UK                                                                                                        | Ian Thompson<br>Jonathon Hill<br><br>National Highways, UK | External Scrutiny  |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> July 2025                               | <b>Adult Mental Health Services with a specific focus on adult suicide</b> | To scrutinise mental health services for adults, particularly for those at risk of suicide.                                                                                                                                                     | Aneurin Bevan University Health Board<br><br>Invite MIND   | External Scrutiny  |
|                                                         | <b>Care for people in the community with dementia, including support</b>   | To invite the health board to outline how they deliver services in Monmouthshire.                                                                                                                                                               | Aneurin Bevan University Health Board                      | External Scrutiny  |

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|                               | available to families.                                                 |                                                                                                                                                        |                |                                                     |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 | <b>Youth Offending Service</b><br><br><b>To be confirmed</b>           | To consider the latest progress report on the Youth Offending Service, particularly how partners contribute and what it delivers for Monmouthshire.    | Chesney Chick  | Performance Monitoring                              |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 |                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                        |                |                                                     |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> February 2026 |                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                        |                |                                                     |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2026   |                                                                        |                                                                                                                                                        |                |                                                     |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>        | <b>Drug Related Deaths in Monmouthshire</b>                            | <i>To discuss drug related deaths and the impact of synthetic drugs with the Heroin &amp; Crack Cocaine Action Area Co-ordinator for Gwent Police.</i> |                | <i>External Scrutiny</i>                            |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>        | <b>VAWDASV Regional Strategy</b>                                       | <i>To assess what the regional strategy delivers for Monmouthshire.</i>                                                                                |                | <i>External Scrutiny</i>                            |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>        | <b>Pre-decision Scrutiny of the Public Service Board Annual Report</b> | <i>To undertake pre-decision scrutiny of the report and to draw agree any items for future scrutiny.</i>                                               |                | <i>Pre-decision Scrutiny/Performance Monitoring</i> |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>        | <b>Integrated Services Partnership Board</b>                           | <i>To discuss the role and remit of the Integrated Services Partnership Board and how it delivers services in Monmouthshire.</i>                       |                | <i>Performance Review</i>                           |

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| <i>To be confirmed</i>                                                                                                         | <b>Local Flood Strategy (joint with Place)</b> | Pre-decision scrutiny of adoption of the Local Flood Strategy. |                | Pre-decision Scrutiny |
| <b>Items to consider for Inclusion: (Arising from Corporate and Community Plan)</b>                                            |                                                |                                                                |                |                       |
| <b>Progress the development of the new Magor and Undy Community Hub</b>                                                        |                                                |                                                                |                |                       |
| <b>Invest in better bus infrastructure</b>                                                                                     |                                                |                                                                |                |                       |
| <b>Work with the police, partners and communities to tackle anti-social behaviour</b>                                          |                                                |                                                                |                |                       |
| <b>To explore streams: Housing Social Grant, Substance Misuse Grants, to assess what they are delivering for Monmouthshire</b> |                                                |                                                                |                |                       |

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- Violence and Women ~ Scrutinize the delivery of the Gwent perpetrator assessment and the impact of inappropriate sexual behaviour among 10-17 year-olds. Address the increase in misogyny in schools, including the influence of figures like Andrew Tate.
- Flood Risk Management ~ Jointly with Place Scrutiny Committee, inviting National Resources Wales
- Public Transport and Accessibility: Assess the impact of dental service relocations on public transport accessibility for residents.
- Update on the flying start ~ Update on the collaboration between health visitors and Sure Start, including changes in reporting structures and service provision.
- Request a comprehensive health update from Aneurin Bevan University Health Board (ABUHB) (**in progress**), covering:
  - Holistic approach to supporting older people.
  - Primary and secondary care integration.
  - Resource, nurses, doctors, sustainability and retention.
  - Communication with the public on service provision.
  - Preventative services, colon tests, jabs.
  - Updates on specific projects like the Neville Hall Velindre satellite.
  - The uptake of preventative measures like vaccinations, especially among children.
  - Adult Mental Health Services ~ adult suicide
  - Care for people in the community with dementia, family support services.
- Community Policing ~ invite Police and Crime Commissioner ~ **in progress**
- Invite the Integrated Strategic Partnership Board to discuss dentistry and the flow of funds.