

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2025-26

Meeting Date	Subject	Purpose of Scrutiny	Responsibility	Type of Scrutiny	
18th November 2025 (10th Nov agenda dispatch)	Revenue & Capital Monitoring Update 2	To scrutinise the budgetary position (revenue and capital) for services falling within the committee's remit.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting	
	Medium-term Financial Plan Update	To review the budgetary situation.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting	
	Annual Health and Safety report	To scrutinise the report on how the Council's health and safety incidents and risks are managed.	Kate Thompson Cllr Callard	Pre-decision Scrutiny	
	Social Services Complaints Process	To scrutinise the performance of the Council's complaints process, and issues raised by it.	Annette Evans Cllr Sandles	Performance Monitoring	
	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: To note and refer any questions arising: Socially Responsible Procurement Strategy update	To scrutinise the steps the Council will take to implement the Socially Responsible Procurement.	Cath Fallon Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Pre-decision scrutiny	
SPECIAL 3rd December 2025	Economy, Employment and	To update the committee on the Economy, Employment and Skills Strategy action plan.	Hannah Jones Will McLean Cllr Griffiths	Performance Monitoring	

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	Skills Strategy action plan update			
	Potholes and Road Conditions	To scrutinise the assessment of requirements, how these are prioritised, MCC's approach, etc.	Carl Touhig Cllr Griffiths?	Performance Monitoring
	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: Planning Annual Performance Report	Scrutiny of the annual performance report prior to submission to Welsh Government.	Andrew Jones Philip Thomas Craig O'Connor Cllr Griffiths	Performance Monitoring
	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: Community & Corporate Plan progress update	To inform members of the plan's progress.	Richard Jones Hannah Carter Cllr Brocklesby	Performance Reporting
SPECIAL 27th January <u>2pm</u>	School Exclusions update	To scrutinise the latest figures and the Council's performance.	Morwenna Wagstaff Keeva McDermott Cllr Wright	Performance Monitoring
	Schools Health Research Network (after 2.30)	To inform the committee about the data and insights from the SHRN work led by Cardiff University relating to pupil well-being.	Emma Taylor Will McLean Cllr Wright	Performance Monitoring

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	ADDITIONAL BUSINESS: Strategic Risk Assessment	To inform members of the authority's risks, and for the committee to consider any areas for further scrutiny.	Richard Jones Hannah Carter Cllr Brocklesby	Performance Reporting
10th February 2026	Draft Revenue & Capital budget proposals (invite other members)	To scrutinise the 2025/26 Draft Revenue and Capital Budget Proposals.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
	Revenue & Capital Monitoring Update 3	To scrutinise the budgetary position (revenue and capital) for services falling within the committee's remit.	Jonathan Davies Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
10th March 2026				
21st April 2026	<i>Development of Children's Placements – 12mth update</i>	<i>To update the committee following scrutiny in April 25.</i>	<i>Morwenna Wagstaff Will McLean Cllr Wright</i>	<i>Performance Reporting</i>
	Investment and Commercial Interests Update – 12mth update	To update the committee following scrutiny in April 25.	Nick Keyse Peter Davies Cllr Callard	Performance Reporting
To be confirmed?	Panel Performance Assessment?		Matt Gatehouse	

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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 Hannah Jones	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 – best end of 2025?	Shared Prosperity Funding 2023-25	Shared Prosperity Funding measures 2023 -2025, update on the measures for transition year 25/26 and future funding risk.	Hannah Jones Will McLean	Performance Reporting
To be confirmed – April/May best [1 page summary – see minutes]	NEET Reduction Strategy	To scrutinise the strategy's performance.	Hannah Jones Louise Wilce Cllr Griffiths	Performance Monitoring
To be confirmed – June 2026	Update on the Pupil Referral Service (PRS)	Discussion on significant changes that have occurred in the service and the risks around increasing demand.	Morwenna Wagstaff Jackie Elias Hayley Page Cllr Wright	Performance Reporting
	Specialist Resource Bases & Additional	To review progress at 12-month stage and include reviewing	Morwenna Wagstaff Jackie Elias	Performance Reporting

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	Learning Provision (including progress with ALN implementation)	progress with ALN following the implementation of new legislation.	Hayley Page Cllr Wright	
	Supporting Vulnerable Learners	To follow up from June 25 – annual.	Morwenna Wagstaff Lucie Doyle Cllr Wright	Performance Reporting
<i>To be confirmed</i>	Recruitment and retention	<i>Effect on the Council's performance and ability to deliver.</i>		
<i>To be confirmed</i>	Use of Reserves	<i>Future proofing and resilience planning as well as supporting long-term strategic priorities.</i>	Peter Davies Jonathan Davies Cllr Callard	
Social Justice Strategy progress				
Business Monmouthshire Project monitoring				
'Learning led' review of				

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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