

Monmouthshire's Scrutiny Forward Work Programme 2025-26

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29th January 2026	Cultural Strategy	To conduct pre-decision scrutiny ahead of decision at Cabinet.	Tracey Thomas	Pre-decision Scrutiny
	Biodiversity and Resilience	To scrutinise the Section 6 Report to Welsh Government on Biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems.	Kate Stinchcombe Colette Bosley	Policy Development
19th March 2026	Animal Welfare	To understand the roles and responsibilities of the council's Animal Welfare team, and its relationship with the RSPCA.	Gareth Walters Zoe Phillips	Performance Monitoring
	Local Flood Strategy?			
21st May 2026 (provisional)				
2nd July 2026 (provisional)				
To be confirmed	Local Flood Strategy (<u>invite PS members</u>)	<i>To scrutinise the strategy in light of the consultation responses received.</i>	Ross Price Deb Hill-Howells Cllr Maby	<i>Pre-decision Scrutiny</i>
To be confirmed	Sustainable Drainage Systems	<i>To scrutinise SuDs and drainage on estates in the county.</i>	Ross Price Deb Hill-Howells	<i>Policy Development</i>

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			<i>Cllr Griffiths</i>	
To be confirmed – likely Sep/Oct 26	Road Safety Strategy	<i>To scrutinise the Road Safety Strategy.</i>	<i>Graham Kinsella Geraint Roberts Deb Hill-Howells Carl Touhig Cllr Maby</i>	<i>Pre-decision Scrutiny</i>
To be confirmed	Pavement Café Policy	<i>To scrutinise the pavement café policy as the basis for making decisions on applications for licences.</i>	<i>? Cllr Griffiths</i>	<i>Policy Development</i>
To be confirmed	Tackling Poverty and Inequality Action Plan	<i>To scrutinise performance against the action plan.</i>	<i>Lucinda Boyland Cllr Sandles</i>	<i>Performance Monitoring</i>
To be confirmed	Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy	<i>To scrutinise progress of the strategy prior to Cabinet decision.</i>	<i>Deb Hill-Howells Ian Hoccom Cllr Maby</i>	<i>Pre-decision Scrutiny</i>
To be confirmed	Monlife Heritage Strategy		<i>Tracey Thomas</i>	<i>Pre-decision Scrutiny</i>
To be confirmed	Surplus Council Assets (link to Property Assets review under P&O?)		<i>Nick Keyse Peter Davies Cllr Callard</i>	<i>Pre-decision Scrutiny</i>
Increase the use of local produce in schools and				

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care homes and new food strategies and policies approved by Cabinet				
Nature Isn't Neat expansion				
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				
Develop a county-wide digital solution that matches those who need to travel with				

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those who have car spaces				
Find new ways to progress refurbishment of Caldicot Leisure Centre				
Deforestation and school meals procurement - Food Strategy - Jointly with P&O				