

Education and Youth Services Overview and Scrutiny Committee
2025-26 Forward Work Programme

Thursday, 3 July 2025 at 11.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Bridgend Youth Justice Service and Bridgend Youth Support Service		<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Cabinet Member for Finance and Performance</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Education, Early Years and Young People; Strategic Manager – Youth Justice Service; Operational Managers - Youth Justice Service; Group Manager (Early Years and Young People); and Youth Support Services Manager (BYS)</p> <p>Youth Council Representative</p>

Monday, 15 September 2025 at 11.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Mental Health and Wellbeing Support for Learners	To include a holistic focus on the mental health and wellbeing support provided to learners to assist them to attend education, and information regarding any support regarding any support available from Social Services, General Practitioners, the Health Board and third sector.	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing; Cabinet Member for Education and Youth Services;</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Education, Early Years and Young People; Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Learning; Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing</p> <p>Youth Council Representative</p> <p>Representatives from Health Representatives from CAMHS</p> <p>Headteacher Nominees</p>

Monday, 13 October 2025 at 11.00am CANCELLED		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Online Safety and Digital Learning - To be rescheduled to 24 November 2025	<p>Overview of the issues regarding online safety and key priorities and challenges.</p> <p>To include: Safeguarding/online safety Digital Learning Use of mobile phones/devices</p>	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Cabinet Member for Education and Youth Services</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Education, Early Years and Young People; Head of Learning; Group Manager – (Schools); Digital Lead Officer; Lead Officer – Strategic Development (Primary Sector) Lead Officer – Strategic Development (Secondary Sector)</p> <p>Youth Council Representative</p> <p>Headteacher Nominees</p>

Monday, 24 November 2025 at 11.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Teaching and Learning in Schools in Bridgend	<p>Teacher and Learner Feedback</p> <p>Progress Update - Implementation Curriculum for Wales</p>	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing; Cabinet Member for Education and Youth Services;</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Education, Early Years and Young People; Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Learning; Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing</p> <p>Youth Council Representative</p> <p>Headteacher Nominees</p> <p><u>External</u> Representatives from Health</p>

Monday, 16 March 2026 at 11.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Early Review of School Improvement Arrangements into the Local Authority		<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Cabinet Member for Education and Youth Services</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Education, Early Years and Young People; Head of Learning; Group Manager – (Schools); and</p> <p>Youth Council Representative</p> <p>Headteacher Nominees</p>

Briefings and Workshops:

Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees and Date
New Estyn Inspection Framework / Local Government Education Services (LGES)		
Update on Effective School Governing Bodies – Appointment, Support and Funding	Invitation to be extended to Governors Association	
School Safeguarding Audits Summary		Autumn 2025
Pupil and Learner Attainment Outcomes	To include Validated Exam Results	January 2026
Support for Home-Educated Learners		TBC

Items to be Scheduled to the Committee's 2026-2027 Forward Work Programme

- May/June 2026 – Close Current 3 year Strategic Plan and Open New 3 Year Strategic Plan (possibly to include Review of Post Inspection Plan)
- September 2026 – Future School Improvement Arrangements
Home to School Transport Update Report

Information Report to be provided:

- Autumn 2025/Spring 2026 – English Language School Catchment Areas / Capacity

Research and Evaluation Panel

- From Autumn 2025 - School Improvement Research and Evaluation Panel (REP)