Communities, Environment and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2025-26 Forward Work Programme

Monday, 14 July 2025 at 4pm		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Community Asset Transfers	Position Update Outcome of review recommended by SOSC 3 to be undertaken by the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Steering Group to assess and review the Council's current CAT programme, considering: Its impact Success stories Good practice researched from other Welsh local authorities Reflection on lessons learned	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Climate Change and the Environment; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Interim Head of Operations – Communities; and Community Asset Transfer Officer.
Porthcawl Regeneration Masterplan	Public Consultation Feedback from Feb/March 2025 and Pre-Planning Consultation	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Development and Housing; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Group Manager – Strategic Regeneration; and Porthcawl Regeneration Programme Manager.

Monday, 29 September 2025 at 4pm		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund Update	 What we did Lessons Learned Progress Update How the system has changed A look back and a look forward. Detailed Financial Information including: Funds received by which groups/organisations Their purpose How much 	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Development and Housing; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Interim Head of Operations – Communities; and Group Manager – Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability.

Social Housing Allocation Policy	Pre-Decision	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Development and Housing;
		Officers Chief Officer – Finance, Housing and Change; Strategic Housing Commissioning Manager; Housing Solutions Team Manager.

Monday, 3 November 2025 at 4pm		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Net Zero Strategy Review	Pre-Decision	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Environment; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Interim Head of Operations – Communities; Group Manager – Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability; Decarbonisation Programme Manager
Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy	Pre-Decision	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Climate Change and Environment; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Interim Head of Operations – Communities; Group Manager – Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability.

Monday, 8 December 2025 at 4pm		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Porthcawl Regeneration		Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Development and Housing; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Group Manager – Strategic Regeneration; Porthcawl Regeneration Programme Manager.

Monday, 23 February 2026 at 4pm		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Maesteg Town Hall TBC	To include a walkaround before the meeting. Lessons learned	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Regeneration, Economic Development and Housing;
	To include: - Reasons for the overall project cost; - Detail of what led to the increased cost and challenges encountered; and - An appraisal of what could have changed or been done differently.	Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Group Manager – Strategic Regeneration.
Grand Pavillion TBC		

Monday, 20 April 2026 at 4pm		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Condition of the Highways and Status of Road Resurfacing Programme	Including: - Repairs, maintenance and prioritisation process; - Road resurfacing and potholes; - Network management of utilities; and - The development of internal metrics for repairs and closing referrals.	Cabinet Member Cabinet Member for Climate Change and the Environment; Officers Corporate Director – Communities; Interim Head of Operations – Communities; Group Manager – Highways and Green Spaces; Highways Network Manager.

Briefings:

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	Committee's Role	
Future Waste Services		All Member Briefing
		To be scheduled Early 2026
Corporate Joint		All Member Briefing
Committees Regional		Date to be confirmed
Responsibilities		
Revised Social	The changes especially in	All Member Briefing
Housing Allocation	respect of the bands and how	Date to be arranged in line with
Policy	properties will be allocated.	final adoption of Policy

<u>Items to be Scheduled to the Committee's Forward Work Programme - To be</u> discussed in next Scrutiny Forward Work Programme Planning Meeting

- Bridgend Town Centre Masterplan and Regeneration (Committee requested at meeting on 3 Nov 25 that this item be scheduled for consideration as soon as possible).
- Communities Directorate Target Operating Model (TOM) Autumn 2025 TBC
- Council's Preparedness to Respond to Storms and Adverse Weather, to include:
 - Preventative measures against foreseeable damage;
 - Impact of adverse weather and any fallout (e.g. loss of power) on vulnerable residents:
 - Invitees from Communities and Social Services; and
 - Information shared during internal and Local Resilience Forum debrief sessions held following Storm Darragh and any other inclement weather events.
 - Car Parking Charging Review, to include:
 - Outcome of the review;
 - Free parking offers; and
 - The difference in revenue between the free parking period and a full charging model
 - Major Parks in the Borough
 - Valleys to Coast.
 - A report on the CAT Programme to be added to the Forward Work Programme in 12-18 months to evaluate progress, including an update on the recommendations of an internal audit which took place in April 2025, set out in paragraph 2.1.6 of the report.
 - A final UKSPF monitoring report including analysis of the successes and lessons learned for future successor funding projects.
 - Homelessness and Housing
 - Street / Utility work including charges
 - Cemeteries Review (Mid 2026)
 - Fleet Services Review (Early 2027)
- Water quality and pollution and the capacity of the Penybont Wastewater Treatment Works to include plans to meet future demand from significant increases in the number of properties planned from a number of new developments and that Welsh Water and Natural Resources Wales be invited to attend.

Information reports to be provided

Audit Wales 'Springing Forward Asset Management Inspection Report' – including associated Action Plan.