

**Social Services, Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee**  
**2025-26 Forward Work Programme**

<b>Wednesday, 9 July 2025 at 10.00am</b>		
<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Regional Partnership Agreement</b>	Pre-Decision	<b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care; Group Manager – Integrated Community Services Manager; and  <b><u>External</u></b> Regional Integrated Services Director for Cwm Taf Morgannwg; and Director, Primary Care, Community & Mental Health – Cwm Taf Morgannwg University Health Board

<b>Thursday 11 September 2025 at 10.00am</b>		
<b>Report Topics</b>	<b>Any Specific Information Requested</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Social Services Annual Report 2024-25</b>	Pre-Decision	<b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing;  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director - Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care; Head of Children and Family Services. Group Manager - Prevention and Wellbeing; Group Manager – Commissioning; and Group Manager - Business Strategy, Performance & Improvement.
<b>Social Services Representations and Complaints 2024-25</b>	Pre-Decision	<b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing;  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director - Social Services and Wellbeing.

**APPENDIX D****Thursday, 25 September 2025 at 10.00am**

<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check of Children and Family Services - June 2025</b>  <b>and</b>  <b>Care Inspectorate Wales Fostering Service Inspection - June 2025</b>	CIW to present the Improvement Check report to the Committee.	<b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Children and Family Services; Deputy Head of Children and Family Services;  <b><u>External</u></b> Representatives from Care Inspectorate Wales

**Thursday, 6 November 2025 at 10.00am**

<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Annual Corporate Safeguarding Report 2024-25</b>		<b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care; Head of Children and Family Services; Group Manager – Information, Advice and Assistance and Safeguarding; Team Manager – Older People Mental Health; and Education and Community Safety Leads
<b>Community Hubs Strategy</b>	Including Libraries post consultation.	<b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing  <b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; and Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing.

**Thursday, 4 December 2025 at 10.00am****POSTPONED**

**APPENDIX D**

**Friday, 23 January 2026 at 10.00am  
(Postponed from 4 December 2025)**

<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Healthy Living Partnership – Agency Model</b>	Including plans and various programmes provided e.g. carer's offer.	<p><b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing;</p> <p><b><u>External</u></b> Active Communities Manager – Halo Leisure Head of Development and Partnerships – Greenwich Leisure Limited</p>

**Thursday, 12 March 2026 at 10.00am**

<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Assisted Transport Policy Implementation Progress</b>	Post implementation progress report	<p><b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p>
<b>Learning Disability Transformation Programme Progress</b>	Post implementation progress report	<p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care; Policy Officer – Social Care;</p> <p><b><u>External</u></b> Representatives from People First</p>

**Cancelled for Pre-Election Period – Scheduling of Items to be discussed in Work Planning Meeting  
Monday, 27 April 2026 at 10.00am**

<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Western Bay Adoption Service Inspection Report</b>		<p><b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Children and Family Services; Deputy Head of Children and Family Services.</p>

**2026-27 Draft Forward Work Programme**

**Thursday, 9 July 2026 at 10.00am**

<b>Report Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Provision of Accommodation Based Regulated Support Services in Bridgend</b>	<p>Post implementation progress report</p> <p>To include information setting out the provision of accommodation based regulated support services in Bridgend to include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. whether they are private, public or charity sector;</li> <li>b. how staff are contracted; and</li> <li>c. the ownership of the buildings.</li> </ol>	<p><b><u>Cabinet Member</u></b> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><b><u>Officers</u></b> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care.</p>

**Briefings and Workshops:**

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Information Required / Committee's Role</b>	<b>Invitees</b>
<b>Overview – Social Services &amp; Wellbeing Directorate / Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act</b>	<p>Attendance from:</p> <p>Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing Head of Adult Social Care Head of Children and Family Services Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing</p>	<b>To be scheduled.</b>
<b>The Replacement System for CareDirector (WCCIS)</b>	<p>The Committee requested a briefing on COR-2024-01 on the Corporate Risk Assessment: The threat to business continuity if the Council is unable to procure and implement major ICT systems which support critical services such as a replacement system for CareDirector (WCCIS). <i>CareDirector</i> is a Cloud-based case management solution for social care organisations that supports integrated working across health and social care.</p>	<p><b>Members and officers for the Briefing and Workshop – TBD.</b></p> <p><b>To be scheduled in early 2026 in partnership with IT.</b></p>
<b>Use of Artificial Intelligence within Social Services and Wellbeing Directorate</b>	<p>The Committee <b>recommended</b> that there be an all Member briefing on the use of artificial intelligence within the Social</p>	<b>This will form part of the Digital Strategy which will be reported to the Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee Pre-Decision.</b>

	Services and Wellbeing Directorate and how it is envisaged it could safely aid a reduction in staff numbers.	<b>To be scheduled after the Digital Strategy has been considered at COSC.</b>
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**Items to be Scheduled to the Committee's Forward Work Programme**

- Support for Care Leavers (including input from Employability and Housing). The Committee have requested that Care Experienced young people be invited for this item.

(Will be a joint report between Social Services, Health and Wellbeing and the Communities and Housing Directorates)

- Regional Partnership Agreement Progress Update (12 months from July 2025)
- Future Arrangements for Advocacy for Adults and Children
- A closed session detailing confidential information presented to Social Services Improvement Board (including live case studies)
- Review of the Regional Operating Model of the Emergency Duty Team
- Review of the Fostering Service (9-12 months from October 2025)
- External Review of Strength Based Outcome Focused Practice Model being embedded into Adult Social Care
- Further Report regarding the Community Hubs Strategy (at the appropriate time early in 2026)