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Social Services, Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee
2026-27 Draft Forward Work Programme

Monday, 8 June 2026 at 10.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
'Our Bravery Brought Justice' – the Bridgend response to the North Wales Child Practice Review		<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing; Cabinet Member for Education and Youth Services <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Corporate Director – Education, Early Years and Young People; and Head of Children and Family Services.

Thursday, 9 July 2026 at 10.00am		
Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Shared Lives	Pre-Decision and mid consultation	<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; and Commissioning and Service Development Officer.
Partnership with AWEN	To include MTFs saving proposal.	<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing <u>External</u> Representatives from Awen

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Thursday 10 September 2026 at 10.00am

Report Topics	Any Specific Information Requested	Invitees
Social Services Annual Report 2025-26	Pre-Decision	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing;</p> <p><u>Officers</u> 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.</p>
Social Services Representations and Complaints 2025-26	Pre-Decision	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing;</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director - Social Services and Wellbeing; and Compliments and Complaints Resolution Manager.</p>

Monday, 9 November 2026 at 10.00am

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Annual Corporate Safeguarding Report 2025-26		<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><u>Officers</u> 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</p>
Provision of Accommodation Based Regulated Support Services in Bridgend	<p>Post implementation progress report</p> <p>To include information setting out the provision of accommodation based regulated support services</p>	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p>

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	<p>in Bridgend to include the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. whether they are private, public or charity sector; b. how staff are contracted; and c. the ownership of the buildings. 	<p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care; and Group Manager – Commissioning.</p>
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Thursday, 4 February 2027 at 10.00am

Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Support for Care Leavers	<p>Including input from Housing and Employability.</p> <p>The Committee have requested that Care Experienced young people be invited for this item.</p> <p>Joint report between Social Services, Health and Wellbeing and the Communities and Housing Directorates</p>	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing.</p> <p><u>External</u> Care Leaver invitees</p>

Thursday, 4 March 2027 at 10.00am

Report Topic	Information Required / Committee's Role	Invitees
Integrated Health and Social Care Services	<p>To include: Progress against the Regional Partnership Agreement</p>	<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing.</p> <p><u>External</u></p>
Future Arrangements for Advocacy for Adults and Children		<p><u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing</p> <p><u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing.</p> <p><u>External</u></p>

Items to be Scheduled to the Committee’s Forward Work Programme

- Review of the Fostering Service – to include actions arising from Elimination of Profit Legislation. June 2027
- External Review of Strength Based Outcome Focused Practice Model being embedded into Adult Social Care – post inspection of Adult Social Care in 2026/27
- Further Report regarding the Community Hubs Strategy (at the appropriate time in 2026/27)

Briefings and Workshops:

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Regional Operating Model of the Emergency Duty Team	Out of hours operation	Representatives from RCT
Overview – Social Services & Wellbeing Directorate / Social Services and Wellbeing (Wales) Act	Attendance from: Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing Head of Adult Social Care Head of Children and Family Services Group Manager – Prevention and Wellbeing	To be scheduled post Annual Council depending on changes of Membership to Committee
The Replacement System for CareDirector (WCCIS)	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.	Members and officers for the Briefing and Workshop – TBD. To be scheduled in partnership with IT and Head of Transformation and Digital – once appointed
Use of Artificial Intelligence within Social Services and Wellbeing Directorate	The Committee recommended that there be an all Member briefing on the use of artificial intelligence within the Social Services and Wellbeing Directorate and how it is envisaged it could safely aid a reduction in staff numbers.	This will form part of the Digital Strategy and to be scheduled in partnership with IT and Head of Transformation and Digital – once appointed