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Social Services, Health and Wellbeing Overview and Scrutiny Committee **2026-27 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.

Thursday 10 September 2026 at 10.00am		
Report Topics	Any Specific Information Requested	Invitees
Social Services Annual Report 2025-26	Pre-Decision	<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing; <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;

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		Group Manager – Commissioning; and Group Manager - Business Strategy, Performance & Improvement.
Social Services Representations and Complaints 2025-26	Pre-Decision	<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader of the Council and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing; <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director - Social Services and Wellbeing; and Compliments and Complaints Resolution Manager.
Shared Lives	Pre-Decision. To include: a. Detail of the work being undertaken by the Financial Safeguarding Team to include the impact of the proposed changes on individuals' disposable income and affordability; b. Detail of all of the proposed changes to terms and conditions; c. Full cost analysis of the cost of a Shared Lives Placement compared to alternative accommodation such as Supported Living, etc.; d. The rationale for aligning individuals' contributions to the same level as those in the Vale of Glamorgan who receive a higher level of Local Housing Allowance; e. The outcome of discussions with legal regarding a possible two-tier approach to ensure Band 1 carers are at no detriment; f. Detail regarding how each carer and service user were consulted and how the impact on each was presented and explained to them and their responses; g. The consultation paper and all anonymised responses to the consultation as an Appendix; and h. The Banding criteria as an Appendix.	<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.

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Annual Corporate Safeguarding Report 2025-26		<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <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
Provision of Accommodation Based Regulated Support Services in Bridgend	Post implementation progress report To include information setting out the provision of accommodation based regulated support services in Bridgend to include the following: - whether they are private, public or charity sector; - how staff are contracted; and - the ownership of the buildings.	<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing; Head of Adult Social Care; and Group Manager – Commissioning.
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

Thursday, 4 February 2027 at 10.00am

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Support for Care Leavers	Including input from Housing and Employability.	<u>Cabinet Member</u>

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	The Committee have requested that Care Experienced young people be invited for this item. Joint report between Social Services, Health and Wellbeing and the Communities and Housing Directorates	Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing. <u>External</u> Care Leaver invitees
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Thursday, 4 March 2027 at 10.00am

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Integrated Health and Social Care Services	To include: Progress against the Regional Partnership Agreement	<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing. <u>External</u>
Future Arrangements for Advocacy for Adults and Children		<u>Cabinet Member</u> Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services, Health and Wellbeing <u>Officers</u> Corporate Director – Social Services and Wellbeing. <u>External</u>

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)

Items to be considered by a Working Group in the first instance when available:

- Welsh Government Review of Safeguarding Boards; and
- Review of Section 5 of Wales Safeguarding Procedures.

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