**Adult, Communities and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee**

**Forward Work Programme 2025/26**

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| Scrutiny Committee: | **Adult, Communities and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee** |
| Director: | **Joint Strategic Director Adults & Communities** |
| Lead Officers: | **Chief Officer Commercial and Customer**  **Head of Adult Services** |
| Remit of Committee: | * **Adult Social Services (including Adult Safeguarding and Adult Services complaints)** * **Digital** * **Customers (Community Hubs and Contact Centre)** * **Housing** * **Aneurin Leisure Trust (including Libraries and Adult Learning)** * **Shared Resource Service** * **Gypsy, Roma, Traveller** * **Welfare Reform** |
| Chair of Committee: | **Councillor Haydn Trollope** |
| Vice-Chair of Committee: | **Councillor Ellen Jones** |

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| **Meeting Date** | **Topic** | **Purpose** |
| **17.06.25** | * Proposed Forward Work Programme 2025/26 | **Approval:** To agree the Forward Work Programme for 2025/26. |
| * Annual Safeguarding Performance Monitoring for Adult Services | **Performance Monitoring:** To provide members with safeguarding performance information and analysis for Adult Social Services. |
| * Scrutiny Recommendations Tracker (from the former People Scrutiny Committee) | **Performance Monitoring:** To provide the annual progress against the former People Scrutiny Committee recommendations during 2024/25. |
| * Audit Tracker Annual Progress | **Performance Monitoring:** To provide the annual progress against implementing external audit recommendations for the former People Scrutiny Committee during 2024/25. |

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| **11.09.25** | * Annual Report of the Director of Social Services 2024/25 | **Performance Monitoring: T**o receive the Director of Adult Services Annual report 2024/25. |
| * External Regulatory Reports | **Performance Monitoring:** To consider the regulatory reports received in relation to Adult Services. |
| **16.10.25** | * Draft Housing Strategy | **Pre-Decision:** To consider the draft document and recommend approval. This Strategy will include detail on homelessness. |
| * Aneurin Leisure Trust Options report | **Pre-Decision:** To consider the options within the report and make a recommendation to Council. |
| **27.11.25** | * Welsh Public Library Standards Annual Return 2024/25 | **Performance Monitoring: T**o consider Blaenau Gwent’s performance against the Welsh Public Library Standards. |
| * Private Sector Housing Renewal Policy | **Pre-Decision:** To consider the Policy and recommend approval by Council. |
| **15.01.26** | * Social Care grant funded posts – Adult Services | **Performance Monitoring:** To outline the current position of short-term grant funded posts for 2026/27 financial year and any anticipated impacts to care and support delivery because of potential reductions / cessation of this funding. |
| * Early Intervention and Prevention Review | **Pre-Decision:** To review the options for Early Intervention and Prevention Services. |
| **26.02.26** | * Aneurin Leisure Trust Performance and Monitoring | **Performance Monitoring**  Members to consider the content of the six-monthly ALT performance report. |
| **16.04.26** | * Communities and Customer Performance | **Performance Monitoring:** To provide a progress update on the activity undertaken throughout 2025/26 and will include the planned future work programme. |