GOVERNANCE, STRATEGY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY BOARD

WORK PROGRAMME 2025/2026

Agenda item	Purpose	Portfolio lead & officer lead	Method of scrutiny	Additional information
Wednesday 18 th June 2025				
Corporate Performance Report – 2024/25 Q4				
Revenue Monitor and Capital Investment Programme 2025/26 Month 2				Deferred until July 2025 meeting.
Local Government Ombudsman (LGO) – Annual Report 2024-25 (First draft)	To provide the Scrutiny Board with the findings from the initial communication from the LGO to enable evidencebased discussion on strengths and development areas.	Cllr Arooj Shah Fran Lautman	Written report and discussion	
Wednesday 30 th July 2025				
Review of Financial Support Services (Customer Experience)	Initial session with Scrutiny outlining the scope of the project and initial feedback and considerations from Scrutiny Board	Clir Abdul Jabbar Fran Lautman	Presentation and discussion	
Review of the Digital, Data and Technology Strategy – 2025 - 2030	To provide the Scrutiny Board with an overview of the strategy, the desired outcomes and provide initial feedback and considerations.	Cllr Abdul Jabbar Chris Rawding	Presentation and discussion	Deferred until October 2025 meeting.
Draft 2024/25 Annual Statement of Accounts				
Thursday, 9th October 2025				

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Corporate Performance Report – 2025/26 Q1				
Revenue Monitor and Capital Investment				
Programme 2025/26 Month 4				
Local Government Ombudsman – Annual	To provide the	Cllr Arooj Shah	Written report	
Report 2024-25 (Final draft)	Scrutiny Board with	Fran Lautman	and discussion	
	the findings from the			
	final communication			
	from the LGO to			
	enable evidence-			
	based discussion on			
	strengths and			
	development areas			
	and to understand			
	our performance in			
	comparison with			
	national and reginal trends.			
Complaints and Compliments Annual	To provide the	Cllr Arooj Shah		
Reports 2024-25:	Scrutiny Board with	Fran Lautman		
- Resources	an overview of	Trair Lautillair		
- Place	Complaints and			
- Housing	Compliments			
- Adult Social Care	performance for			
- Children Services and Education	2024-25 to enable			
	evidence-based			
	discussion on			
	strengths and			
	development areas as			
	well as plans to			
	improve			
	performance.			
Review of Financial Support Services	Further session with	Cllr Abdul Jabbar		
(Customer Experience)	Scrutiny sharing the	Fran Lautman		
	findings from the			
	review, summary of			
	best practice and the			
	proposed model.			
Thursday, 4 th December 2025				

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Corporate Performance Report –				
2025/26 Q2				
Revenue Monitor and Capital Investment				
Programme 2025/26 Quarter 2				
Complaint Policies:	To provide the	Cllr Arooj Shah		
 Corporate complaints policy 	Scrutiny Board with	Fran Lautman		
 Adult Social Care complaints 	an updated suite of			
policy	Complaints Policy			
- Children Services complaints	following the annual			
policy	review. For Scrutiny			
- Children's homes complaints	Board to provide			
policy	feedback and			
- Housing complaints policy	comment.			
- Unreasonable behaviour policy				
Wednesday 28th January 2026 (Admin	istration Budget)			
Revenue, Monitor and Capital				
Investment Programme				
Revenue Budget Report 2026/27 and				
Medium-Term Financial Strategy				
Capital Strategy and Capital Programme				
Treasury Management Strategy 2026/27				
Housing Revenue Account				
Thursday 5 th February 2026				
Opposition Budget				
Tuesday 24 th March 2026				
Corporate Performance Report –				
2025/26 Q3				
Revenue Monitor and Capital Investment				
Programme 2025/26 Month 10				
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Task and finish group deep dives:

Deep dive area:	Expanded proposal:
Review of Financial Support Services (Customer Experience)	By 1 April 2026, a new operating model will be in place to deliver a resident focused and preventive approach to supporting residents to maximise their income.

Feedback on the current approach and considerations for the new
operating model are sought from Scrutiny committee.