

Place Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme 2025 - 26

Corporate Plan Objectives			
Creating Great Places to Live, Work and Visit.	Respecting and Celebrating the Environment.		
Economic Development and Regeneration,	Climate and Nature Emergency.		
Tourism, Countryside and Parks, Waste			
management and cleansing, Highways and			
Engineering, Planning, Transportation,			
Placemaking and Public and Private Sector			
Housing.			

Cabinet Members	Directors	
Councillor Bronwen Brooks - Deputy Leader and	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place.	
Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places.		
Councillor Sandra Perkes - Public Sector	Director of Environment and Housing.	
Housing and Tenant Engagement.		
Councillor Mark Wilson - Neighbourhood and		
Building Services.		

Democratic Services Contact	Committee Membership
Mark Thomas	
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01446 709279	
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Co-opted Membership		
Marianne Blackmore Representative from the Tenant Working Grou		
	Panel.	



Mrs Gina Doyle	Representative from the Tenant Working Group /
	Panel.
Kirsty Mitchell	Representative from the Tenant Working Group /
	Panel.
Mr Glyn Niblett	Representative from the Tenant Working Group /
	Panel.
Mr Osian Caroll	Representative from Citizens Advice Cardiff and
	Vale.

Forms of Scrutiny		
Investigative (Task and Finish)	Committees can take deeper dives into topics	
	using a range of methods based upon the	
	Committee's forward work programme and	
	identified priorities.	
Proposal	Policies are in development and are seeking	
	Scrutiny feedback and recommendations to	
	help shape the Council's future direction.	
Briefings	Information only or update items which are for	
	noting and where scrutiny can add limited value	
	but the Member call-in procedure is used	
	required.	

Task and Finish Working Groups [Investigative]

- Cross-party work, with a clearly defined scope, and the Cabinet Member sighted.
- Brought together on a voluntary basis by 4 to 8, politically balanced (where practical) Members, with the Chair decided by the "home" Scrutiny committee.
- Leverage the expertise of officers, partners, wider stakeholders alongside evidence and insight from the people of the Vale of Glamorgan who will be invited and encouraged to participate as expert witnesses and share their lived experiences.
- Hold the Cabinet and officers accountable on specific topics while proactively shaping the Council's policy direction.
- Reports and recommendations fed back to the Cabinet Member, Scrutiny Committee and Cabinet for consideration.

Topic	Officer Lead	Timeframe
Review on providing greater	Colin Smith, Head of	Topic and Review Group
accessibility to beaches in	Neighbourhood Services and	Composition approved 22nd
the Vale of Glamorgan for	Transport	July, 2025.
people with limited	ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	
accessibility and related		Report to Committee:
issues to these (such as		scheduled for early 2026.
wheelchair users, people		
with physical disabilities,		
sight impairment and		
learning / intellectual		



disabilities and needs, older people with mobility issues) and for all residents of, and visitors to, the Vale of Glamorgan.		
To review the interlinked issues of refuse on local beaches and the wider matters around local holiday resorts.	Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Schedule to be confirmed – approved as the second task and finish to be undertaken by Committee at its meeting in July. To follow the review on providing greater accessibility to beaches in the Vale of Glamorgan.

Place Committee Meetings [Proposal, etc.]

- Six scheduled meetings per Municipal Year.
- Opportunity for Committees to make individual recommendations on policies that are still in their development stage, and where decisions have yet to be taken.
- Committee recommendations fed back to Cabinet to consider as a policy develops, with Cabinet providing a response to recommendations, including any rationale for accepting, partially accepting or rejecting.
- Arena for responding to Cabinet Member Decision Call-ins and/or Committee Requests for Consideration.

Topic	Officer Lead	Meeting Date
Notice of Motion – A	Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood	20th May, 2025
Voluntary Ban on the Sale	Services and Transport	
and Use of "Flying Rings"	ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Received by Committee
Throughout the Vale of		
Glamorgan (Reference		Further update received
from Council: 28th April,		16 th September, 2025
2025).		
Vale of Glamorgan	Ian Robinson, Head of Sustainable	20th May, 2025
Replacement Local	Development	
Development Plan (RLDP)	irobinson@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Received by Committee
2021-2036 – Housing		
Growth in Barry (reference	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place	
from Cabinet: 1 st May	mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	
2025).		
Place Committee Forward	Mark Thomas	20 th May, 2025
Work Programme Schedule	Democratic and Scrutiny Services	
2025/26.	Officer	Received by Committee
	01446 709279	
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		Information
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		Further update scheduled for 18 th November 2025.
Placemaking plans.	Phil Chappell, Operational Manager, Regeneration	22 nd July, 2025
	prchappell@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Received by Committee
		<u>View Presentation</u>
Project Zero Update.	Susannah McWilliam, Programme	22 nd July, 2025
	Manager Project Zero (Climate Change) smcwilliam@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Received by Committee
		View Presentation
		Next iteration due in January 2026
Task and Finish Review	Mark Thomas	22 nd July, 2025
Activity.	Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer 01446 709279	Received by Committee
	methomas@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	
Update on the delivery of the Shared Prosperity Fund	Phil Chappell, Operational Manager, Regeneration	16 th September, 2025
2022 – 2026	prchappell@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Received by Committee
Update Report – No Flying Rings Campaign.	Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport	16 th September, 2025
Timgo Gumpaigin	ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Received by Committee
Vale of Glamorgan	Ian Robinson, Head of Sustainable	18 th November 2025 Scheduled
Replacement Local Development Plan (RLDP)	Development irobinson@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Scrieduled
2021-2036 – Housing Growth in Barry	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place	
Consultation Report.	mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	
Place Committee Forward	Mark Thomas	18 th November 2025
Work Programme Schedule 2025/26.	Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer 01446 709279	Scheduled
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Local Lettings Policies report.	Mike Ingram Head of Housing and Building Services 01446 709516 MIngram@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Nick Jones Operational Manager, Public Sector Housing njones@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	18 th November 2025 Scheduled
Initial Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Budget Proposals 2026/27 and Revised Budget 2025/26. (including rent setting).	Laura Davis Finance Support Manager 01446 704639 LLDavis@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Scheduled for an extraordinary meeting on 6 th January 2026
Replacement Local Development Plan 2021- 2036 Deposit Plan.	Ian Robinson, Head of Sustainable Development irobinson@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Scheduled for an extraordinary meeting on 6 th January 2026
UPDATE - Bathing water quality at designated bathing beaches in the Vale of Glamorgan.	Director of Environment and Housing Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Scheduled for 20 th January 2026
Vale of Glamorgan Tree Strategy – update.	Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Adam Sargent Neighbourhood Services Manager. asargent@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Scheduled for 20 th January 2026
Coastal Erosion Review / Monitoring.	Clive Moon, Engineering Manager – Environment crmoon@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Scheduled for 20 th January 2026
Update - Tenant & Leaseholder Participation Strategy / STAR survey Improvement Plan.	Farida Aslam Senior Neighbourhood Manager 02920673095 faslam@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Social Housing Delivery Priorities and Social Housing Grant Update.	Mike Ingram Head of Housing and Building Services 01446 709516 MIngram@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026



Community Investment Strategy.	Mike Ingram Head of Housing and Building Services 01446 709516 MIngram@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
20 mph limit review for the Vale of Glamorgan.	Director of Environment and Housing. Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Barry Making Waves Levelling Up projects and fund (LuF).	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Plan For Neighbourhoods (PfN).	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	In January 2026. Possible FIO or scrutiny report, to be confirmed
Long Term Plan for Towns Progress Report.	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Vale of Glamorgan Local Area Energy Plan.	Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Court Road / on street parking update(s).	Director of Environment and Housing Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
To declare a local nature reserve at Barry's Old Harbour to help protect local wildlife (public petition).	Director of Environment and Housing Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Colin Cheesman, County Ecologist crcheesman@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Cardiff Capital Region and update on Aberthaw Power Station.	Ian Robinson, Head of Sustainable Development irobinson@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026



Parking Review for Barry Island.	Director of Environment and Housing Colin Smith, Head of Neighbourhood Services and Transport ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Food and Farming / Agri cultural Hub.	Phil Chappell, Operational Manager, Regeneration prchappell@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	To be reported to the Committee in 2026
Aqua park	Marcus Goldsworthy	Update report currently scheduled to go in early 2026
Pride in Place Update	Phil Chappell	Update report currently scheduled to go in early 2026

Member Briefings / For Information Reporting

- Information only reports provided to Elected Members, with a notification indicating when new material is available.
- Ad hoc reports and presentations from the Council and Partner organisations which would likely not benefit from Scrutiny time but be useful information to support Members in improving their awareness of local, regional and national policy direction.
- Member briefing sessions would be arranged, often before relevant Scrutiny Committee meetings, to invite officers or wider partners to provide whole Member briefing sessions and presentations as appropriate.

Topic	Officer Lead	Method and Timeframe (including FIO report, Presentation, Briefing Session).
Cardiff and Vale Housing	Mike Ingram	Briefing Session -
Partnership / Council	Head of Housing and Building Services	schedule to be confirmed
Housing Development	01446 709516	
Strategy Update(s).	MIngram@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	
	Andrew Freeguard.	
	Operational Manager - Housing	
	Development.	
	afreegard@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	
Update Report: Household	Colin Smith	Schedule to be confirmed
Waste Recycling Centres.	Operational Manager - Neighbourhood	
	Services: Operations	



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Annual progress report on the Rights of Way Improvement Plan. Vale of Glamorgan – Annual Tourism & Events Update.	ccsmith@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk David Hunt Countryside Access Manager (Public Rights of Way) dahunt@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Nia Hollins, Principal Tourism & Marketing Officer nhollins@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Phil Chappell, Operational Manager, Regeneration prchappell@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Shared with Members in October 2025 as a FIO report Shared with Members in September 2025 as a FIO report
Vale of Glamorgan Local Development Plan 2011- 2026: Seventh Annual Monitoring Report 2024/2025	Ian Robinson, Head of Sustainable Development irobinson@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk Marcus Goldsworthy, Director of Place mjgoldsworthy@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk	Schedule to be confirmed

