Resources Scrutiny Committee
Forward Work Programme 2026 - 27

Corporate Plan Objectives
Being the best Council we can be.
Remit: Corporate Policies and Performance, Communication and Participation, Customer Relations, Finance, Procurement, Digital, Property, Human Resources, Equalities (internal policy) and Welsh (internal policy).

Cabinet Members	Directors
Cabinet Member - Performance and Resources Cllr Lis Burnett	Director of Corporate Resources Tom Bowring
Cabinet Member – Community Engagement, Equalities and Regulatory Services. Cllr Ruba Sivagnanam	**SLT:** Head of Finance – Matt Bowmer Head of Digital – Nickki Johns Head of Legal and Democratic Services – Victoria Davidson Head of HR and Organisational Development – Tracy Dickinson

Committee Membership	Democratic Services Contact
Chair: Cllr. Joanna Protheroe **Vice-Chair:** Cllr. Ewan Goodjohn Committee Membership Webpage Scrutiny Information Webpage(s)	Liz Whitaker Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer ewhitaker@valeofglamorgan.gov.uk 01446 709144

Co-opted Membership - TBC	
[NAME]	[Organisation]

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 can be used.

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
Resident Contact / Customer Relations improvements	**Nikki Johns Tony Curlis Benji Jenkins**	**Provisionally scheduled for reporting to Committee in January 2027**

Resources Committee Meetings [Proposal]

- 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
Resident Contact / Customer Relations Update Report	**Tony Curliss Operational Manager Digital Transformation / Customer Relations**	**10th June 2026**
Q4 Sickness Absence Report	**Laithe Bonni**	**10th June 2026**

(As a reference from 28th May Cabinet)	Operational Manager Employee Services	
Draft People Strategy (As a reference from Cabinet)	Tracy Dickinson Head of HR and Organisational Development	10th June 2026
Scrutiny Arrangements: First Year Review and Approval of the Forward Work Programme 2026/27.	Liz Whitaker – Democratic Services Officer	10th June 2026
Financial Strategy 2027/28 to 2031/32. (Reference from Cabinet)	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer	16th September 2026
Enhancing support to residents during bereavement (Pre-Cabinet)	James Langridge-Thomas Operational Manager Democratic Services	16th September 2026
Revenue Outturn 2026/26	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	16th September 2026
Capital Outturn 2025/26	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	16th September 2026
Vale of Glamorgan Public Services Board Annual Report	Tom Bowring Director of Corporate Resources	16th September 2026
Welsh Language Standards Annual Monitoring Report 2025/26	Elyn Hannah Welsh and Inclusion Officer	16th September 2026
Capital Monitoring Q1 2026/27 (Reference from Cabinet)	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	11th November 2026
Revenue Monitoring Q1 2026/27 (Reference from Cabinet)	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	11th November 2026

Strategic Approach to Capital Planning (Reference from 22nd Oct Cabinet)	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	11th November 2026
Q2 Sickness Absence Report (Pre-Cabinet)	Laithe Bonni Operational Manager Employee Services	11th November 2026
Resources Scrutiny Committee Recommendation Tracking and Updated FWP	Liz Whitaker Democratic Services Officer	11th November 2026
Q2 Capital Monitoring Reference From Cabinet	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	13th January 2027
Q2 Revenue Monitoring Reference From Cabinet	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	13th January 2027
C1V Task and Finish Review Report	Chair of Task and Finish Group Benji Jenkins Democratic Services Officer	13th January 2027
Update on Countering Misinformation Task and Finish Recommendations	Hannah Rapa Corporate Communications Participation and Equalities Manager	13th January 2027
Pay Policy 2027/2028 Reference From Cabinet	Tracy Dickinson Head of HR and Organisational Development	13th January 2027
Procurement Savings from Schools	Matthew Curtis Head of Strategy, Community Learning and Resources	13th January 2027
Q3 Revenue Monitoring Reference From Cabinet	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones Operational Manager - Accountancy	10th March 2027
Q3 Capital Monitoring Reference From Cabinet	Matt Bowmer Head of Finance/Section 151 Officer Gemma Jones	10th March 2027

	Operational Manager - Accountancy	
Corporate Resources Directorate Plan 2027/28	**Tom Bowring Director of Corporate Resources**	**10th March 2027**
People Strategy Progress Update	**Tracy Dickinson Head of HR and Organisational Development**	**10th March 2027**
Resident Contact / Customer Relations Update Report	**Nickki Johns Head of Digital**	**10th March 2027**
Corporate Landlord Progress Update	**Tom Bowring Director of Corporate Resources Lorna Cross Head of Corporate Landlord**	**10th March 2027**

For Information Reporting / Member Briefings

- 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.
- Information is also provided to the public via the Council's Scrutiny Webpage.

Topic	**Officer Lead**	**Method and Timeframe e.g. FIO report, Presentation, Member Briefing Session**
Glamorgan Voluntary Services Annual Report	**Christine Boston Chief Executive Officer Glamorgan Voluntary Services**	**All Member Briefing Session Thursday February 18th 2027 at 5pm**

Working Group. – (If Required)

[Purpose of Group]

[Membership]