Scrutiny Management Board

Work Programme 2025/26



Please note that the work programme is a 'live' document and subject to change at short notice. The information in this work programme is intended to be of strategic relevance.

For general enquiries relating to the Council's Scrutiny function, including this Committee's work programme, please contact Elliot Wearne-Gould (Democratic Advisor) on 01752 398261

Date of Meeting	Agenda Item	Prioriti sation Score	Reason for Consideration	Cabinet Member/Lead Officer
	Finance Monitoring Report	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Finance Councilwide.	Helen Slater
	Risk Monitoring Report	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Risk Monitoring Council-wide.	Paul Stephens
23 July 2025	Leader's Forward Plan	Standing Item	To maintain sight of upcoming decisions and inform work programming	The Leader/Cabinet Member for Finance
	Update from Scrutiny Chairs and Work Programmes	Standing Item	To appropriately work programme across Scrutiny Panels to ensure coordination of agenda items	All Scrutiny Chairs
	SMB Work Programme	Standing Item To consider topics for inclusion in future agendas		SMB Chair
	SMB Action Log	Standing Item	To maintain oversight of actions and ensure completion.	SMB Chair
	Cyber Risk and Response Briefing		Requested report	Cllr Sue Dann/Pete Honeywell
	Select Committee Review PID – Cycling in the City Centre	3	To review draft PID for a Select Committee Review	Elliot Wearne- Gould
24 September 2025	Finance Monitoring Report	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Finance Councilwide.	Helen Slater / lan Trisk-Gove
	Corporate Plan Performance Report –KPIs	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Corp Plan Performance Council-wide.	Paul Stephens

	Risk Monitoring Report (to inform work programming)	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Risk Monitoring Council-wide.	Paul Stephens
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	Scrutiny Panel Action Logs	Standing Item	To ensure oversight and tracking of recommendations and actions made by the Scrutiny Panels.	All Scrutiny Chairs
	SMB Work Programme	Standing Item	To consider topics for inclusion in future agendas	SMB Chair
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	Draft of the Local Government Reorganisation Business Case	5 (High)	Requested by LRG team	Emmanuelle Marshall / Ross Jago
	Hybrid Working Strategy	4	Following consultation with Unions and Staff.	Chris Squire + Cllr Dann
	Plan for Budget Scrutiny 4	-	Annual Planning for Budget Scrutiny	lan Trisk-Grove
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05 November 2025	Corporate Plan Performance Report	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Corp Plan Performance Council-wide.	Paul Stephens
	Risk Monitoring Report	Standing Item	Maintain oversight of Risk Monitoring Council-wide.	Paul Stephens
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28 January	Scrutiny Panel Action Logs SMB Work Programme SMB Action Log Anticipated Budget	Standing Item Standing Item Standing Item	To ensure oversight and tracking of recommendations and actions made by the Scrutiny Panels. To consider topics for inclusion in future agendas To maintain oversight of actions and ensure completion.	All Scrutiny Chairs SMB Chair SMB Chair
2026	Scrutiny			
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	Items to be so	cheduled f	or 2025/26	
2025/26	Hybrid and Flexible Working Strategy	3	27 March 2025. Recommended that the final draft policy is brought back to	Chris Squire (Service Director for HROD)

			Scrutiny following consultation with unions and staff	
2025/26				
	Items to be scheduled for 2026/27			
2026/27				
Items Identified for Select Committee Reviews				
2025/26	Cycling/Food Delivery in the City Centre	3	Identified for consideration in 2025 following safety concerns of pedestrians	SMB Chair/Glenn Caplin-Grey

Scrutiny Prioritisation Tool (P-Score)

Criteria	Explanation	Yes (=I)	Evidence
Public Interest	Is it an issue of concern to partners, stakeholders and/or the community?		
Ability	Could Scrutiny have an influence?		
Performance	Is this an area of underperformance?		
Extent	Does the topic affect people living, working, or studying in more than one electoral ward of Plymouth?		
Replication	Will this be the only opportunity for public scrutiny?		
	Is the topic due planned to be the subject of an Executive Decision?		
Total:			High/Medium/Low

Priority	Score	
High	5-6	
Medium	3-4	
Low	I-2	