



Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Mon 1 Sep
2025
6.30 pm



Oakenshaw Community Centre,
Castleditch Lane, Redditch, B98 7YB

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GUIDANCE ON FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS

Please note that this is a public meeting.

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GUIDANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC ATTENDING MEETINGS IN PERSON

Meeting attendees are encouraged not to attend a Committee if they have any of the following common symptoms of flu or covid on the day of the meeting; a high temperature, a new and continuous cough or a loss of smell and / or taste.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

The usual process for public speaking at Committee meetings will continue to be followed subject to some adjustments which allow written statements to be read out on behalf of residents and the virtual participation of residents at meetings of Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

Notes:

Although this is a public meeting, there are circumstances when Council might have to move into closed session to consider exempt or confidential information. For agenda items that are exempt, the public are excluded.

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Agenda

Membership:

Cllrs:	Matthew Dormer (Chair)	Andrew Fry
	Craig Warhurst (Vice-Chair)	Sachin Mathur
	William Boyd	Rita Rogers
	Claire Davies	Paul Wren
	James Fardoe	

1. Apologies and Named Substitutes

2. Declarations of Interest and of Party Whip

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and / or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests, and any Party Whip.

3. Minutes (Pages 7 - 20)

The minutes of the meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 7 July 2025 will be considered at this meeting.

4. Public Speaking

To invite members of the public who have registered in advance of the meeting to speak to the Committee.

5. Regulator of Social Housing Inspection Report and Housing Improvement Plan - Pre-Scrutiny

This report will follow in a supplementary pack after it has been published for the meeting of Executive Committee (due for publication on Friday 22 August).

6. Voluntary Sector Grants Scheme 2026/27 to 2029/30 - Pre-Scrutiny

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7. Adoption of Fixed Penalty Charge for breach of Community Protection Notice - Pre-Scrutiny

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8. Quarter 1 Housing Consumer Standards Report - Pre-Scrutiny

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9. Housing Ombudsman Findings Report 1 Ref 202417927 - Pre-Scrutiny

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10. Housing Ombudsman Findings Report 2 Ref 202331009 - Pre-Scrutiny

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11. Executive Committee's Work Programme - Selecting Items for Scrutiny (Pages 21 - 30)

12. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme (Pages 31 - 36)

13. Task Groups, Short Sharp Reviews and Working Groups - Update Reports

- a) Budget Scrutiny Working Group – Chair, Councillor Warhurst
- b) Performance Scrutiny Working Group – Chair, Councillor Warhurst
- c) Post-16 Education Task Group – Chair, Councillor Warhurst

14. External Scrutiny Bodies - Update Reports

- a) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Council representative, Councillor Boyd;
- b) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Transport Delivery Overview and Scrutiny Committee, Council representative, Councillor Fardoe; and
- c) Worcestershire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) – Council representative, Councillor Fry.

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15. Exclusion of the Public and Press

Should it be necessary, in the opinion of the Chief Executive, during the course of the meeting to consider excluding the public from the meeting on the grounds that exempt information is likely to be divulged, it may be necessary to move the following resolution:

“That, under S.100 (A) (4) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following matter(s) on the grounds that it/they involve(s) the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in the relevant paragraphs (to be specified) of Part 1 of Schedule 12 (A) of the said Act”.

These paragraphs are as follows:

Subject to the “public interest” test, information relating to:

- Para 1 – any individual;
 - Para 2 – the identity of any individual;
 - Para 3 – financial or business affairs;
 - Para 4 – labour relations matters;
 - Para 5 – legal professional privilege;
 - Para 6 – a notice, order or direction;
 - Para 7 – the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime;
- and may need to be considered as ‘exempt’.

16. Disposal of Housing Revenue Account Assets - Four garages at Ashorne Close, Matchborough, Redditch - Pre-Scrutiny

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This item contains restricted appendices and may need to be considered in exempt session.

17. Disposal of Housing Revenue Account Assets - 53 Parsons Road, Southcrest, Redditch. 53 Crabbs Cross Lane, Crabbs Cross, Redditch - Pre-Scrutiny

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