



# Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Mon 24 Nov  
2025  
6.30 pm



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

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## **GUIDANCE ON FACE-TO-FACE MEETINGS**

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**Please note that this is a public meeting. You are able to see full agenda papers for this meeting from the Committee Pages of the Council's website.**

**If you have any questions regarding the agenda or attached papers, please do not hesitate to contact the officer named above.**

### **GUIDANCE FOR ELECTED MEMBERS AND THE PUBLIC ATTENDING MEETINGS IN PERSON**

Meeting attendees are encouraged not to attend the Committee meeting if they have any of the following common symptoms of covid or flu 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. Public Speaking

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

### 4. Bereavement Services - Burial Strategy - 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 Monday 17 November).

### 5. Quarter 2 Housing Improvement Plan Update - Pre-Scrutiny

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### 6. Quarter 2 Housing Performance - Pre-Scrutiny

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### 7. Executive Committee's Work Programme - Selecting Items for Scrutiny (Pages 7 - 16)

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## 8. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme (Pages 17 - 22)

## 9. 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

## 10. 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.

## 11. 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;

and may need to be considered as ‘exempt’.

## 12. Minutes (Pages 23 - 48)

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The minutes of the meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee which took place on 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025, including the exempt minutes record, will be considered at this meeting.

Please be advised that should Members wish to discuss the content of the exempt record of this meeting, the Committee will need to consider moving into private session and exclude the public and press from participation in this part of the meeting.