



# Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Mon 16 Mar  
2026  
6.30 pm

Oakenshaw Community Centre,  
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## Agenda

### Membership:

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| Cllrs: | Matthew Dormer<br>(Chair)      | Andrew Fry    |
|        | Craig Warhurst<br>(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 of 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026 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. Climate Change Strategy 2026 to 2031 - Pre-Scrutiny

This report will follow in supplementary papers after it has been published for the meeting of Executive Committee (due for publication on Monday 9 March 2026).

### 6. Shared Homelessness Strategy and Action Plan 2026-2031 - Pre-Scrutiny

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## **7. Revision of Environmental Crime Enforcement Policy - Pre-Scrutiny**

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## **8. Introduction of Enforcement of Littering from Vehicles - Pre-Scrutiny**

This report will follow in supplementary papers after it has been published for the meeting of Executive Committee (due for publication on Monday 9 March 2026).

## **9. Strategic Envirocrime Update (Pages 21 - 26)**

## **10. Executive Committee's Work Programme - Selecting Items for Scrutiny (Pages 27 - 34)**

## **11. Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme (Pages 35 - 38)**

## **12. 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

## **13. 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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## MINUTES

### Present:

Councillor Matthew Dormer (Chair), Councillor Craig Warhurst (Vice-Chair) and Councillors Claire Davies, James Fardoe, Andrew Fry and Rita Rogers

### Officers:

Guy Revans, Simon Parry, Debra Goodall, Jonathan Elger and Andrew Rainbow

### Democratic Services Officers:

M Sliwinski

### 69. APOLOGIES AND NAMED SUBSTITUTES

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Boyd, Mathur, and Wren. The Portfolio Holder for Housing, Councillor Hartnett, had also submitted his apologies.

### 70. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND OF PARTY WHIP

There were no declarations of interest nor of party whip.

### 71. MINUTES

The minutes of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026 were submitted for Members' consideration.

### RESOLVED that

**The minutes of the meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee held on 12<sup>th</sup> January 2026 be approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.**

### 72. PUBLIC SPEAKING

Chair

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There were no public speakers registered to speak at this meeting.

## 73. TASK GROUPS, SHORT SHARP REVIEWS AND WORKING GROUPS - UPDATE REPORTS

[With agreement of the Committee, agenda item 12 - Task Groups, Short Sharp Reviews and Working Groups - Update Reports – was considered at this point in the meeting (after agenda item 4 – Public Speaking)].

The Working Group and Task Group updates were provided as follows:

### a) Budget Scrutiny Working Group

Councillor Warhurst reported that the Group was due to meet on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026. An interim Budget update would also be provided at this meeting. An update on the Council's Budget position was subsequently provided by the Assistant Director for Finance and Customer Services.

It was noted that the Council's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) position as reported in the MTFP 2026/27 to 2028/29 at the Executive Committee meeting on 13<sup>th</sup> January 2026 was an overspend of £345,000 for 2026/27, an underspend of £55,000 in 2027/28, and an underspend of £85,000 in 2028/29. Members were informed that there had been a number of movements since and the updated position on MTFP as of this meeting was that of an £177,000 underspend in 2026/27, £224,000 underspend in 2027/28, and £686,000 underspend in 2028/29.

It was explained that this updated MTFP position was due to a number of factors. For this financial year, the previously budgeted gap of £1,062 million had been managed down through work around vacancy provision and, in addition, there had been changes to the Council's calculation of business rates appeals and loses in line with Government's recommended practice and changes to assumptions on Members' allowances reducing costs. An additional Council Tax growth had been built for 2027/28 as 180 properties would be added in the Borough and there were assumptions of Council Tax increases of 2.99% for 2027/28 and 2028/29. It was reported that the three-year final local government finance settlement for 2026/27 to 2028/29 had not resulted in significant movements to the Council's budget position compared to previous assumptions.

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The Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services highlighted that the key risks within the budget around the vacancy figure saving built into the budget following the establishment review, the inflation assumptions around areas such as Council's contracts, and the delivery of £250,000 of savings across service areas as the savings targets had not been delivered by all service areas. It was highlighted that capital financing available to the Council at present was also restricted at £1.1 million compared to £1.6 million submitted in capital funding bids by the service areas and Rubicon.

In addition there were challenges in terms of the impact of local government reorganisation (LGR) on the Council's revenue, sustainability constraints, and the need to deliver projects requested by elected members before the unitary local government structure is due to come into effect in April 2028.

To address these challenges, it was explained by the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services that the review of reserves had been carried out and following this it had been proposed to create the following Reserves:

- Risk Reserve of £2.5 million
- Local Government Reorganisation Reserve of £500,000 in 2026/27 and £500,000 in 2027/28 (which would be profiled so that expenditure was matched to demand)
- Community Investment Fund of £1.6 million – to add to the current £1.1 million capital financing available and provide fund for projects.

It was noted that the Council also would work on policy for flexible use of capital receipts to utilise those for transformation projects where possible. It would also be the aim to increase the General Fund reserves slightly over the next three years.

Following the presentation of the Budget Update, questions and comments were made as follows:

- Mitigation of the £1.062 million budget gap – It was explained by Officers that the budget gap emerging out of last year's Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) had been mitigated through work on this year's budget through proposals as set out in the presentation provided.
- Utilising reserves before the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) – The Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Performance, Engagement and Governance

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addressed the Committee and explained that the Executive was currently reviewing the capital projects proposals for utilising some of the Council's reserves before LGR unitarisation. It was explained that the Council needed to account for and assess what funds were realistically required for LGR. The Deputy Leader added that the reserves that could be utilised by the Council before LGR were therefore lower than the Council's total reserves figure and the Council made a commitment to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) that a proportion of the authority's reserves would be handed over to a new unitary authority structure.

- Members queried when plans would be finalised for investing the Council's reserves that could be utilised prior to the unitarisation in initiatives in Redditch. It was responded that most spend decisions were not yet made and that these decisions would take place over the next few months. The Deputy Leader explained that among the initiatives to be funded would be upgrades to or creation of play areas in parts of the Borough where this provision was lacking or insufficient.
- A question was raised regarding the protracted arrangements regarding some of the specific section 106 agreements. It was responded that a review of the Council's Section 106 arrangements was currently ongoing. Officers undertook to provide a response to Members regarding the specific query raised in the meeting.

#### b) Performance Scrutiny Working Group

Councillor Warhurst reported that there were currently no meetings of Performance Scrutiny that were planned to take place.

#### c) Post-16 Education Task Group

The Chair of the Task Group, Councillor Warhurst, reported that the next meeting of the Task Group was due to take place tomorrow (18<sup>th</sup> February).

#### **RESOLVED that**

**the Task Groups and Working Groups Update Reports be noted.**

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## 74. LOCAL GOVERNMENT REORGANISATION (LGR) - UPDATE REPORT

An update was provided on the Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) including the reminder of the current timetable for LGR and the work that had been undertaken already in preparation for LGR and the future work arrangements.

It was recapped that five district authorities in Worcestershire: Redditch Borough, Bromsgrove District, Malvern Hills, Worcester City, and Wychavon had submitted a joint proposal to Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) titled Transforming Worcestershire advocating for the North/South two unitary option in Worcestershire. The other proposal that was submitted by Worcestershire County Council and Wyre Forest District Council was advocating a single unitary authority for Worcestershire. The Government's statutory consultation on these proposals was expected to launch shortly and following these the Government would be considering the proposals and was expected to make its decision before the summer recess in July 2026.

The Executive Director reported that following a successful system wide workshop on the 7<sup>th</sup> of January 2026 with Chief Executives, Monitoring Officers, Transformation leads and Section 151 Finance Officers from every authority in Worcestershire, the Councils had established interim governance for preparatory pre-decision activity in regard to LGR from January 2026 until receipt of a decision from MHCLG before the summer recess in July 2026. A monthly LGR Programme Board had been established with Chief Executives from the seven authorities as core members. This board will report to Members via the cross-county Leaders Board as necessary.

There were five key workstreams as part of this preparations phase and senior officers from Redditch and Bromsgrove Councils were the Senior Responsible Officers (SROs) in respect of two of the workstreams – on Programme Management and Service Delivery.

Following the presentation of the report, it was commented that part of the rationale for the Council allocating a £500,000 per year LGR reserve was to support the transformation and allow officers to charge any costs associated with LGR transformation work to the reserve created. It was further commented by Members that there would be resource issues associated that would be increasing as the LGR progressed that would need to be considered and planned for.

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## RESOLVED that

- 1) the progress to date in submitting an application to the Ministry of Housing, Communities and Local Government (MHCLG) for a two-unitary model titled, 'Transforming Worcestershire', be noted.
- 2) the governance that has been established for Local Government Reorganisation in Worcestershire and the next steps outlined in this paper be noted.

### 75. **QUARTER 3 HOUSING IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE - PRE-SCRUTINY**

A Quarter 3 update on the Housing Improvement Plan was provided for Members' consideration. A summary of progress against each of the Consumer Standards was presented within the report and some of the Consumer Standards metrics were highlighted within the presentation for this item.

The overall progress was that 15 actions within the Housing Improvement Plan had been completed within Quarter 3 of 2025/26 compared to 6 completed actions at Quarter 2. 9 of the actions completed at Quarter 3 were denoted as green-rated.

On the overdue repairs and maintenance jobs, it was reported that since the Regulatory Judgment, the number of overdue jobs had reduced from circa 3,000 to 1,047 at the end of Quarter 3.

In terms of overdue fire safety remedial actions, it was explained by Officers that there would be a proposal within the budget to provide additional funding to finance fire door/compartimentation works and accelerate the programme.

In terms of engagement with the tenants, new communications strategy was currently being drafted and a draft engagement policy was being worked on and was expected to be presented before the Overview and Scrutiny and Executive Committees in June 2026. This year's Tenant Satisfaction Survey was reported to have achieved 887 responses which was a 35 per cent increase on last year's response rate. It was expected that the Civica Cx Tenants Portal would go live in April 2026.

To strengthen staff resourcing, following a review, a Senior Complaints Officer had been recruited, starting in December 2025,

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and the post of a Complaints Officer would be recruited to in Q4 2025/26.

For anti-social behaviour (ASB), there was one outstanding item relating to the implementation of an ASB module on the Housing Management Software, which was to provide greater consistency and performance in monitoring of cases.

A Member commented that the report appeared to indicate that issues with software systems for housing management and for repairs and maintenance were among the main reasons preventing the Council from addressing the backlog in repairs and issues around tenants portal and housing management.

The Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services clarified that the Civica Housing Management System was operating correctly and the use of the system by the Council had evolved as Officers learned and utilised more modules on the system. In contrast, there had been issues experienced with the Total Mobile repairs and maintenance system with the project being behind schedule. To address the problems experienced, the Council's Officers met with Total Mobile representatives, and a project team had been formed to work on resolving these problems.

It was highlighted that the Total Mobile project implementation suffered from issues such as initial consultant assigned to work with the Council not being able to effectively resolve the issues that the Council experienced with the system as well as previous issues with capacity in the Housing Team hampering the project. The focus remained on staff members being trained to feel confident in using the system before it would be rolled out and it was now expected that the Total Mobile system would go live in May 2026.

The number of stock condition surveys undertaken was queried as Members commented that the proportion of the housing stock having had the survey completed was reported at a higher figure in prior years. It was clarified that the Social Housing Regulator required the figure for stock condition surveys to reflect those done over the last five years only. The Council's figure had dropped because there was a drop in the number of surveys undertaken, in particular over the pandemic period. It was noted that as of present only 20 per cent of housing stock had a condition survey undertaken in the last five years with 25 per cent having no recorded condition survey. It was explained that from 2022-23 there had been an increase in the number of surveys undertaken and

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there was a programme in place to improve the reported figure to 100 per cent.

The Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services explained that the format of the quarterly Housing reports would change for the next quarter with a forward view of what is planned in terms of work for the next quarter and a statistical summary showing if the planned work targets had been met.

A question was asked with respect of the frequency at which the Council revaluated its housing stock property values. It was responded that there was annual valuation in place.

## **RESOLVED that**

**the Housing Improvement Plan Quarter 3 2025/26 Update, which includes actions to address areas for improvement, confirmed as part of the Regulator of Social Housing inspection process, be noted.**

## **76. QUARTER 3 HOUSING PERFORMANCE - PRE-SCRUTINY**

The Assistant Director of Environmental and Housing Property Services presented the Housing Consumer Standards Report for Quarter 3 2025/26. The report detailed the Council's performance in relation to 10 of the Regulator of Social Housing tenant satisfaction measures.

It was reported that there had been some improvement compared to Quarter 2 in respect of the Homes that Do Not Meet the Decent Homes Standards measure. The current non-decency percentage (i.e. housing stock properties which did not meet the Decent Homes Standard) was 10.95 per cent, which was a decrease from a figure of 11.90 per cent at Quarter 2.

For non-emergency and emergency repairs completed within the landlord's target timescale, it was noted that there had been a plateau in performance over Quarter 3. In terms of outstanding repairs, an example was given in terms of 40 outstanding fencing jobs. Work was ongoing to assess the shortfall in performance against the priority codes and to ensure that accurate and timely closure of jobs was completed on the system.

Most measures under maintaining building safety showed 100 per cent compliance with issues experienced in electrical test of communal areas (EI02) where the performance had fallen below

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target due to two electrical inspection certificates having yet to be received from the contractor. The Council had also experienced resource issues in the area of electrical compliance through this quarter with the Electrical Compliance Manager leaving in September 2025 and the Council being unable to recruit into this position either on a permanent or temporary basis. In the interim, corrective actions were identified through the contractor carrying out the inspections.

The complaints performance was discussed and it was noted that at Quarter 3 there had been more complaints received, largely due to seasonal issue with wetter weather resulting in more issues such as leaks. 80 per cent of complaints received over Quarter 3 related to repairs and maintenance.

In terms of Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB), it was reported that at Quarter 3, 55 new ASB cases were started and 56 cases were closed within the period. The team were managing 65 live ASB cases as of report writing. It was highlighted that there was a year-on-year rise in the number of ASB cases and it was thought that several factors contributed to this increase, such as the continued cost of living crisis and the impact of this on people's mental health and general wellbeing as well as the year-on-year improvements in the Council's recording and capturing of incidents of ASB/Nuisance and Hate Crime.

It was highlighted that with the new Neighbourhood and Tenancy Team structure coming into place and expected to be fully staffed by March 2026, a further rise in ASB cases as all local areas in the Borough would be covered by a Neighbourhood and Tenancy Officer. However, to provide more prevention support, there would also be an increase in the numbers in the Tenancy Sustainment Team which should stop many cases from escalating to enforcement.

Following the presentation of the report, there were several aspects of the report discussed by Members:

- Number of properties with gas supply capped – It was clarified that the figure of 181 at paragraph 3.10 referred to the total number of properties that had their gas supply capped as of the end of Quarter 3. This compared to 204 properties at end of Quarter 2. It was explained that in some cases this was due to the tenants themselves requesting to have their gas supply capped, but there was some concern about the number of properties where Officers had not been

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admitted to undertake gas inspections and where access could not be gained the gas supply had been capped for safety reasons.

- It was reported that the properties where gas was capped for a more significant period of time were prioritised in terms of tenancy visits and details were shared with the Neighbourhood and Tenancy team to provide opportunity for tenancy visits to ensure any underlying issues could be identified and support solutions for the household provided. It was further clarified that where gas to the property was capped, the tenant remained responsible for arranging matters with their gas supplier such as ending the contract, and the tenant rather than the Council remained liable for any gas bills.
- Carbon monoxide detectors – A question was asked about the brand and model of carbon monoxide detectors being installed by the Council in its housing stock. Officers undertook to provide details of this to Members.
- A specific question was asked by a Member with regard to the condition of the steps in Abbeydale. Officers commented that there had been issues identified including with threads and depth of cover on the steps which was being investigated by the Council. A specific response would be provided to the Member concerned outside the meeting.

## **RESOLVED that**

**the Council's Quarter 3 Housing Performance for 2025/26 in respect of the Tenant Satisfaction Measures (Landlord) be noted.**

## **77. REPAIRS AND MAINTENANCE AND DAMP AND MOULD POLICIES - PRE-SCRUTINY**

The report in respect of the Repairs & Maintenance Policy and the Damp & Mould Policy was presented to Committee. It was noted that these policies, subject to consideration at this Overview and Scrutiny meeting, recommendation by Executive Committee and approval by Full Council, would cover all Council house tenants regardless of tenancy type.

It was highlighted that in the Repairs and Maintenance and Damp and Mould Policies, the Council planned to introduce a new

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timescale for completion of larger works (titled Planned Maintenance Repair) where the target time for completion would be up to 60 working days. This would be for works which could not wait to be completed as part of the investment works programme and would be dealt with on a programmed repairs basis.

Following the presentation, Members discussed several matters in relation to the report and the Policies:

- Communication with the tenants regarding the Repairs and Maintenance and the Damp and Mould Policies – It was reported that these new policies would be communicated to residents through the Council's website, which would be updated once these Policies are approved, and detail would also be included in the Housing Annual Report which is sent to all tenants in printed form.
- Advice on mould and damp – It was remarked that more reliable information and education on the need to appropriately ventilate properties to prevent damp and mould was needed, including through modernising the Council's website and offering more responsive advice so that information was quickly available to the tenants.
- Need for professional information on damp and mould prevention – Members discussed the need for a better, more targeted communication from the Council around damp and mould prevention. It was commented that it was important to provide messaging and advice to challenge perceptions, such as to opinions that actions to eliminate damp/mould such as keeping heating at higher temperature and ventilating homes regularly would lead to more expensive and unaffordable energy bills.
- Officers explained that work with the third sector around provision of advice and support was important as was work of the Housing Tenancy Team to ensure tenants who needed financial support were claiming the correct benefits for example.
- Overcrowding and rehousing of tenants in cases of damp and mould issues that could not be resolved – It was explained that overcrowding did not lead in itself to damp and mould issues, however, because the property was overcrowded this could lead to other issues that in turn led to damp and mould. It was noted that provision of alternative

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properties or temporary housing was dependent on the turnaround in the void properties that the Council had; however, in cases where no resolution to issues with serious damp and mould could be found and there were no void properties available, then temporary accommodation would be provided for tenants in the property affected. If the property could not be brought up to acceptable standard, the tenants affected would also be put on the appropriate priority council house waiting list banding so they could be re-housed as soon as possible.

- Members discussed the possibility of adding references to sources of financial support available to tenants who were struggling with damp and mould and were finding it difficult to afford energy heating costs to the Damp and Mould Policy as well a reference to advice on how tenants could better insulate their homes to prevent issues with damp and mould. The Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Performance, Engagement and Governance reassured the Committee that these suggestions would be reported to and considered by the Executive Committee but added that naming any specific support organisations within the Policy should be avoided.

Following the discussion, the recommendations that the Repairs and Maintenance Policy and the Damp and Mould Policy both be approved were endorsed by the Committee.

## **RECOMMENDED that**

- 1) The Repairs and Maintenance Policy, which forms part of the Councils Housing Asset Management Strategy, be approved.**
- 2) The Damp and Mould Policy, which forms part of the Councils Housing Asset Management Strategy, be approved.**

## **78. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY ANNUAL REPORT 2025-26**

The Chair presented the draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2025-26 for consideration by Committee Members. The final report would be presented to the Full Council meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026.

## **RESOLVED that**

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the draft Overview and Scrutiny Annual Report 2025-26 be approved.

**79. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S WORK PROGRAMME - SELECTING ITEMS FOR SCRUTINY**

The Executive Committee Work Programme was submitted for Members' consideration. It was noted that an update on environmental enforcement from Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) would be provided at the next meeting of Overview and Scrutiny (16<sup>th</sup> March) in addition to the scrutiny of the two Executive reports by WRS that were added to the Overview and Scrutiny work programme previously.

**RESOLVED that**

**the Executive Committee's Work Programme be noted.**

**80. OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME**

The Overview and Scrutiny Committee Work Programme was submitted for Members' consideration.

**RESOLVED that**

**the Overview and Scrutiny Work Programme be noted.**

**81. EXTERNAL SCRUTINY BODIES - UPDATE REPORTS**

Updates on the meetings of External Scrutiny Bodies were provided as follows:

- a) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Overview and Scrutiny Committee

As Councillor Boyd submitted his apologies for this meeting, there was no update on this external scrutiny body.

- b) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Transport Delivery Overview and Scrutiny

Councillor Fardoe reported that he had submitted his apologies at the last meeting of the Transport Delivery Overview and Scrutiny.

- c) Worcestershire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC)

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Councillor Fry reported that there were recent postponements and cancellations to meetings of this Committee and there was currently a busy work programme with the most recent meeting taking place on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2026 at which annual review of Public Health and overview from the West Midlands Ambulance Service were considered.

Councillor Fry reported a concern with the number of vacancies on the HOSC. There were currently three vacancies on the HOSC all of which were from Worcestershire County Council elected members.

**RESOLVED that**

**the External Scrutiny Bodies updates be noted.**

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 pm  
and closed at 8.07 pm

**Executive Briefing**  
20263<sup>rd</sup> March**Strategic Envirocrime Update**

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| Relevant Portfolio Holder  | Councillor Sharon Harvey   |
| Portfolio Holder Consulted   | Yes  |
| Relevant Assistant Director  | Simon Wilkes, Director of<br>Worcestershire Regulatory Services  |
| Report Author  | Toni Ainscough, Principal Officer<br>(Environmental Enforcement), WRS<br>Contact email:<br><a href="mailto:Toni.Ainscough@worcsregservices.gov.uk">Toni.Ainscough@worcsregservices.gov.uk</a><br>Contact Tel: 01562 738035 |
| Wards Affected   | All  |
| Ward Councillor(s) consulted   | n/a  |
| Relevant Council Priority  | Green, Clean and Safe  |
| Non-Key  |  |
| If you have any questions about this report, please contact the report author in advance of the meeting. |  |

**1. RECOMMENDATIONS**

**The Executive Briefing is asked to note that the Overview and Scrutiny Committee will be asked to note this report.**

**2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1 In June 2024 the enforcement function for fly tipping, littering, duty of care of waste, dog fouling and untidy land (as well as Planning Enforcement) passed to Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) from Environmental Services. At that time the budget was amended to allow for a resource increase from 1 to 1.5 full time equivalent (FTE) posts to cover the Redditch Borough Council area.
- 2.2 Prior to that time, enforcement focused on informal approaches to encourage compliance with environmental rules and appropriate behaviour. As the sole enforcement post within that service area, there was little support and resilience available to provide a robust enforcement framework to enable more formal enforcement action to be taken against fly tipping, littering, dog fouling or untidy land.

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**3. OPERATIONAL ISSUES**

- 3.1 Fly tipping, littering and dog fouling are blights on our communities and there is an eagerness to clear waste away quickly and efficiently. In recent years, the Environmental Services team have improved fly tip clearance times to keep community spaces clear. However, for any enforcement to take place, evidence of the perpetrator or originator needs to be collected before the waste is cleared. This has caused some delay in clearance of some fly tips.
- 3.2 The collection of evidence needs to be undertaken carefully with the integrity of the chain of evidence maintained. This requires appropriate recording and storage of any evidence (physical or digital) with statements collected from witnesses and Officers. Ultimately for any enforcement action to be possible, a file has to be prepared to demonstrate beyond reasonable doubt that a perpetrator committed an offence.
- 3.3 The majority of fly tipping incidents lack evidence that can lead directly to a perpetrator. However, Officers use a variety of techniques to uncover them through the assistance of resource from the WRS Intelligence Unit and deployment of cameras where practical. Reviewing camera footage is time consuming which is why this task is performed by intelligence specialists rather than Enforcement Officers. Similarly, the WRS Legal Administration assist with enforcement file preparation and processes to ensure files are suitable for consideration of potential prosecution where appropriate.
- 3.4 There are a number of offences that are considered by the Enforcement Officers which includes the act of fly tipping but also includes people not taking care of their own waste responsibly (i.e. passing it on to someone to dispose of without undertaking proper checks of that waste). Whilst cameras, officers and members of the public might have evidence of someone actually tipping waste, in the majority of cases there is evidence of the householder who having passed the waste on without proper checks being undertaken.
- 3.5 Education is an important tool in reducing waste crime. This is particularly true in Redditch, where offences are being conducted inadvertently because of a lack of knowledge and understanding that leaving waste outside of a refuse bin is an offence. In some cases, it is laziness, but others something that has 'traditionally' been done such as leaving side waste alongside their bin or in a communal area for collection because it has always been cleared from there in the past.

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- 3.6 Recognising this, a significant focus of WRS activity in Redditch has been on informal warnings to educate on appropriate behaviour. During 2025 twenty streets or local areas were targeted in this way. Fifteen were targeted between June and December 2024.
- 3.7 Covert camera deployment in urban areas for fly tipping or littering enforcement is less successful than in rural areas as the cameras tend to be more obviously positioned. However, intelligence assessments are used to identify hot spots where informal warnings and letter drops have been unsuccessful so that enforcement action can be taken. For lesser offences that would likely result in a Fixed Penalty Notice being issued but for other offences it may result in prosecution.

## 3.8 Enforcement action in numbers;

| Action taken  | 2023         | 2024<br>(Jan-May) | 2024<br>(Jun-Dec) | 2025 | 2026<br>(Jan) |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|------|---------------|
| Number of fly tips reported                               | 2181         | 1072              | 1330              | 1862 | 153           |
| Number of fly tips investigated                           | Not recorded | Not recorded      | 246               | 287  | 13            |
| Number of littering offences reported                     | Not recorded | Not recorded      | 12                | 15   | 1             |
| Number of dog fouling offences reported for investigation | Not recorded | Not recorded      | 13                | 16   | 0             |
| Number of untidy land cases reported                      | 3            | 2                 | 19                | 10   | 2             |
| Number of letter drops                                    | 18           | 8                 | 15                | 20   | 0             |
| Number of warning letters                                 | 0            | 0                 | 2                 | 17   | 1             |
| Number of Fixed Penalty Notices for Fly tipping           | 0            | 0                 | 0                 | 5    | 1             |
| Number of Fixed Penalty Notices for Littering             | 0            | 0                 | 0                 | 3    | 0             |

- 3.9 The number of formal enforcement actions are increasing with a proportionate approach to envirocrime where informal action is taken initially. It takes time to construct an enforcement file, and for some of the perpetrators, Officers have identified links to multiple fly tipping incidents which makes the task more complicated as evidence is collated connecting the individuals involved to the offences.

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Nonetheless the enforcement actions listed above are considered successful given the resource available.

- 3.10 Whilst no formal action has been taken with regard to untidy land to date in the Borough, Officers have investigated a number of properties for consideration under the Anti-Social Behaviour, Crime and Policy Act 2014 where a Community Protection Notice may be served. To date, properties investigated have either not met the threshold required for formal action or the situation has been resolved informally. Sixteen cases remain under investigation which includes informal action in line with the Council's proportionate response and reasonable enforcement approach.
- 3.11 The level of demand is high, as shown by the first two lines of the table at 3.8. The number of fly tipping incidents alone represent an issue more severe than any other enforcement issue WRS investigate. As a result, it is imperative that a targeted approach is taken to enable the resource allocated to be effective.
- 3.12 The approach being proposed for the coming year, is as follows;
- to resolve the current active investigations (particularly around untidy land).
  - focus on particular problem areas and respond appropriately as these change.
  - In line with good enforcement practice, Officers will continue to engage with the community to bring about behavioural change and will continue to deliver wider public communications and messages to support that message.

| Current number of open cases by issue | Open cases |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Fly tip investigations                | 28         |
| Littering investigations              | 1          |
| Dog Fouling investigations            | 1          |
| Untidy Land investigations            | 16         |

**4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 4.1 There are no specific financial implications. The report outlines the activity undertaken within the existing budget envelope. Any monies recovered from Fixed Penalty Notices is reinvested into the enforcement activity.

**5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS**

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- 5.1 There are no specific legal implications. The enforcement activity undertaken is done so through appropriate delegation and authorisations. Any proposal to prosecute is a matter for the Council to consider through the legal team.

**6. OTHER - IMPLICATIONS****Local Government Reorganisation**

- 6.1 There are no specific Local Government Reorganisation implications.

**Relevant Council Priority**

- 6.2 The work and activity detailed in this report directly supports Redditch's Council Plan as they assist the promise of addressing litter and dog mess, the impact of fly-tipping and antisocial behaviour which are key objectives of the priority 'Green, Clean and Safe Redditch'.

**Climate Change Implications**

- 6.3 There are no specific climate change implications.

**Equalities and Diversity Implications**

- 6.4 There are no specific equalities and diversity implications.

**7. RISK MANAGEMENT**

- 7.1 There are no specific risks arising from this report. However, action taken in respect of environmental crime helps to address risks to public health that would arise should dog faeces, litter and other environmental crime be permitted to continue with impunity.

**8. APPENDICES and BACKGROUND PAPERS**

There are no appendices or background papers.

**9. REPORT SIGN OFF**

| Department       | Name and Job Title        | Date |
|------------------|---------------------------|------|
| Portfolio Holder | Councillor Sharon Harvey. |      |

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|  |  | 04.02.2026<br>Advised of report.                                     |
| Lead Director / Assistant Director                         | Simon Wilkes.  | 13.02.2026   |
| Financial Services   | Please record the name of the relevant Officer in Financial Services who has signed off the report here.                     | Please give the date they signed off the report here.                |
| Legal and Democratic Services                              | Nicola Cummings, Principal Solicitor – Governance and Jess Bayley-Hill, Principal Democratic Services Officer                | 23.02.26   |
| Policy Team (if equalities implications apply)             | If applicable, please record the name of the relevant Officer in the Policy team who has signed off the report here.         | If applicable, please give the date they signed off the report here. |
| Climate Change Team (if climate change implications apply) | If applicable, please record the name of the relevant Officer in the Climate Change team who has signed off the report here. | If applicable, please give the date they signed off the report here. |

\* item has been selected for pre-scrutiny by main O&S Committee  
\*\* item has been selected for pre-scrutiny by Budget Scrutiny

# EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE LEADER'S WORK PROGRAMME



**1 April 2026 to 31 July 2026**

(Published as at 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026)

This Work Programme gives details of items on which key decisions are likely to be taken by the Borough Council's Executive Committee, or full Council, in the coming four months. "Key Decisions" are ones which are likely to:

- (i) result in the Council incurring expenditure, foregoing income or the making of savings in excess of £200,000 or which are otherwise significant having regard to the Council's budget for the service or function to which the decision relates; or
- (ii) be significant in terms of its effect on communities living or working in the area comprising two or more wards in the Borough;
- (iii) involve any proposal to cease to provide a Council service (other than a temporary cessation of service of not more than 6 months).

If you wish to make representations on the proposed decision you are encouraged to get in touch with the relevant report author as soon as possible before the proposed date of the decision. Contact details are provided. Alternatively, you may write to the Head of Legal, Democratic Services and Property Services, The Town Hall, Walter Stranz Square, Redditch, B98 8AH or e-mail: [democratic@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk](mailto:democratic@bromsgroveandredditch.gov.uk)

The Executive Committee's meetings are normally held at 6.30pm on Tuesday evenings at the Town Hall. They are open to the public, except when confidential information is being discussed. If you wish to attend for a particular matter, it is advisable to check with the Democratic Services Team on (01527) 64252, ext: 3072 to make sure it is going ahead as planned. If you have any other queries, Democratic Services Officers will be happy to advise you. The full Council meets in accordance the Council's Calendar of Meetings. Meetings commence at 6.30pm.

## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Councillor Sharon Harvey – Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Regeneration and Environmental Services  
Councillor Jane Spilsbury - Deputy Leader of the Council and Portfolio Holder for Performance, Engagement and Governance  
Councillor Ian Woodall - Portfolio Holder for Finance  
Councillor Monica Stringfellow - Portfolio Holder for Community Services and Safeguarding Responsibilities  
Councillor Juma Begum - Portfolio Holder for Community Spaces and Voluntary Sector  
Councillor Juliet Barker Smith - Portfolio Holder for Leisure and Recreation  
Councillor Bill Hartnett - Portfolio Holder for Housing  
Councillor Jen Snape – Portfolio Holder for Climate Change and Biodiversity

| Decision including Whether it is a key Decision  | Decision Taker<br>Date of Decision   | Details of Exempt information (if any) and any additional information for noting               | Documents submitted to Decision Maker / Background Papers List      | Contact for Comments   |
|--|--|--|---|--|
| Shareholders Committee Annual Report 2025/26<br><b>Key:</b> No                         | Shareholders Committee 7 Apr 2026<br><br>Executive 9 Jun 2026<br><br>Council 29 Jun 2026 |  | Report of the Assistant Director of Planning and Leisure Services   | Jess Bayley-Hill, Principal Democratic Services Officer<br>Tel: 01527 64252              |
| Annual Housing Complaints Performance and Service Improvement Report<br><b>Key:</b> No | Executive 9 Jun 2026   |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services     | Matthew Bough, Acting Housing Strategy and Enabling Manager<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3120 |
| * Construction of Redditch Innovation Centre<br><b>Key:</b> Yes                        | Executive 9 Jun 2026   | This report may contain exempt information that would need to be considered in private session | Report of the Assistant Director Regeneration and Property Services | Neil Batt, Regeneration Project Delivery Manager<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3119            |

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| * Housing Decant Policy<br><b>Key:</b> Yes  | Executive 9 Jun 2026                        |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services   | Jonathan Elger,<br>Neighbourhood & Tenancy Manager<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3272          |
| Housing Tenant Engagement Policy<br><b>Key:</b> No                                      | Executive 9 Jun 2026                        |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services   | Jonathan Elger,<br>Neighbourhood & Tenancy Manager<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3272          |
| * Leisure Concession Policy Review<br><b>Key:</b> No                                    | Executive 9 Jun 2026<br>Council 29 Jun 2026 | This report may contain exempt information that would need to be considered in private session | Report of the Assistant Director Finance and Customer Services, Assistant Director of Planning and Leisure Services | Chris Wells, Contracts & Utilities Officer<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 2559                  |
| Private Sector Housing Enforcement & Civil Penalty Notice Policy 2026<br><b>Key:</b> No | Executive 9 Jun 2026<br>Council 29 Jun 2026 |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services   | Matthew Bough, Acting Housing Strategy and Enabling Manager<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3120 |

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| Quarter Four 2025/2026 Housing Performance<br><b>Key:</b> No             | Executive 9 Jun 2026               |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |
| Quarter Four 2025/2026 Housing Improvement Plan Update<br><b>Key:</b> No | Executive 9 Jun 2026               |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |
| Redditch Town Centre Strategy<br><b>Key:</b> No                          | Executive 9 Jun 2026               |  | Report of the Assistant Director Regeneration and Property Services   | Lyndsey Berry, Bromsgrove Town Centre Manager<br>Tel: 01527 587002   |

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| Tenant Satisfaction Measures Results 25/26<br><b>Key:</b> No            | Executive 9 Jun 2026               |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |
| Quarter One 2026/2027 Housing Improvement Plan Update<br><b>Key:</b> No | Executive 28 Jul 2026              |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |
| Quarter One 2026/2027 Housing Performance<br><b>Key:</b> No             | Executive 28 Jul 2026              |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |

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| Quarter Two 2026/2027<br>Housing Improvement Plan Update<br><b>Key:</b> No | Executive 24 Nov 2026              |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |
| Quarter Two 2026/2027<br>Housing Performance<br><b>Key:</b> No             | Executive 24 Nov 2026              |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |
| Quarter Three 2026/2027<br>Housing Performance<br><b>Key:</b> No           | Executive 8 Feb 2027               |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |

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| Quarter Three 2026/2027 Housing Improvement Plan Update<br><b>Key:</b> No | Executive 8 Feb 2027               |  | Report of the Assistant Director Community and Housing Services, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services, Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services<br>Tel: 01527 64252 Ext 3201,<br>Tel: 01527 64252 ext 3348 |

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| <b>Date of Meeting</b> | <b>Subject Matter</b>  | <b>Officer(s) / Member(s) Responsible for report</b>   |
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| <b>ALL MEETINGS</b>    | <b>REGULAR ITEMS</b>   | <b>(CHIEF EXECUTIVE)</b>   |
|                        | Minutes of previous meeting<br>Consideration of the Executive Committee Work Programme<br>Call-ins (if any)<br>Pre-scrutiny (if any)<br>Task Groups / Short, Sharp Review Groups – feedback<br>Working Groups - feedback<br>Committee Work Programme | Chief Executive<br>Chief Executive<br>Chief Executive<br>Chief Executive<br>Chair of Task Group / Short, Sharp Review<br>Chair of Working Group<br>Chief Executive |

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| MEETING DATE  | ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED   | RELEVANT LEAD   |
|---|---|---|
| 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2026   | Shared Homelessness Strategy and Action Plan 2026-2031 – Pre-Scrutiny   | Amanda Delahunty, Acting Housing Strategy and Enabling Manager    |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2026   | Climate Change Strategy 2026 to 2031 – Pre-Scrutiny   | Matthew Eccles, Climate Change Manager                            |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2026   | Update on Environmental Crime Enforcement in Redditch (including fly tipping enforcement)   | Mark Cox, Technical Services Manager, WRS                         |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2026   | Revision of Environmental Crime Enforcement Policy – Pre-Scrutiny   | Toni Ainscough, Principal Officer (Environmental Enforcement) WRS |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> March 2026   | Introduction of Enforcement of Littering from Vehicles – Pre-Scrutiny   | Toni Ainscough, Principal Officer (Environmental Enforcement) WRS |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026<br>[Note: report may contain exempt information that would need to be considered in private session]. | Construction of Redditch Innovation Centre – Pre-Scrutiny (Previously called: Digital Manufacturing and Innovation Centre (DMIC)) | Neil Batt, Regeneration Project Delivery Manager                  |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026   | Housing Decant Policy – Pre-Scrutiny  | Jonathan Elger, Neighbourhood and Tenancy Manager                 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026   | Leisure Concession Policy Review – Pre-Scrutiny   | Chris Wells, Contracts and Utilities Officer                      |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026   | Redditch Partnership Annual Report  | Della McCarthy, Bromsgrove and Redditch Partnership Manager       |

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| <b>8<sup>th</sup> June 2026</b> | Homelessness Prevention Grant Initiatives from 2025/26 (Annual Report) (Recommendation from 12/1/2026 meeting) | Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services |
|---------------------------------|--|--|

**ITEMS WITH MEETING DATE TO BE CONFIRMED**

| <b>MEETING DATE</b>                        | <b>ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED</b>   | <b>RELEVANT LEAD</b>  |
|--|--|---|
| <b>TBC</b>                                 | Parking Enforcement – Management of Contract (Executive report to be scrutinised when it becomes available)  | Simon Parry, Assistant Director Environmental and Housing Property Services |
| <b>TBC</b>                                 | Report on Homelessness, Food Bank use and associated metrics   | Judith Willis, Assistant Director Community and Housing Services            |
| <b>Update – 16<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b> | Worcestershire Regulatory Services (WRS) update on fly tipping enforcement and data in Redditch – to be provided as part of Environmental Crime update in March 2026 | Simon Wilkes, Director of Worcestershire Regulatory Services                |
| <b>TBC</b>                                 | Auxerre House Refurbishment – to be considered when the Executive report becomes available   | Andrew Rainbow, Housing Property Services Manager                           |

**Working Groups:**

- Budget Scrutiny Working Group**

| <b>MEETING DATE</b> | <b>ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED</b>   |
|---------------------|--|
| <b>12/03/2026</b>   | <b>Q3 2025/26 Performance Monitoring Report<br/>Q3 2025/26 Finance Monitoring Report (including Financial Savings)</b> |

- Performance Scrutiny Working Group**

A meeting covering an update on Council's Tree Maintenance took place on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2025. Further meeting dates remain to be confirmed.

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## Task Groups

- **Post-16 Education Task Group**

The last task group meeting was due on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2026 but the meeting needed to be adjourned. The date for the rearranged meeting is to be confirmed.