



Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Mon 27 Jul
2026
6.30 pm



Oakenshaw Community Centre,
Castleditch Lane, B98 7YB

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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 at meetings of Overview and Scrutiny Committee. Virtual participation of residents at meetings of Overview and Scrutiny Committee can currently be organised by prior arrangement.

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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Membership:

Cllrs:	Nicola Lloyd (Chair)	Joanna Kane
	Roger Bennett	David Meredith
	(Vice-Chair)	Rita Rogers
	Joe Baker	Jane Spilsbury
	Sharon Harvey	1 vacant seat

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 to declare any Party Whip.

3. Public Speaking

To invite members of the public who have registered in advance of the meeting to address the Committee in relation to an item of business on the agenda.

4. Update on the Meeting of Budget Scrutiny Working Group (Verbal)

Verbal update to be provided on the meeting of Budget Scrutiny Working Group which was due to take place on Thursday 23 July 2026.

5. Housing Assistance Policy 2026 - Pre-Decision Scrutiny

This report will follow in supplementary papers after it has been published for the meeting of the Executive Committee (due for publication on Monday 20 July 2026).

6. Food Waste Collections Implementation - Pre-Decision Scrutiny

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

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

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

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

10. External Scrutiny Bodies - Update Reports

- a) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Council Representative, Councillor Lloyd;
- b) West Midlands Combined Authority (WMCA) Transport Delivery Overview and Scrutiny Committee – Council Representative, Councillor Pioli; and
- c) Worcestershire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee (HOSC) – Council Representative, Councillor Spilsbury.

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;
- Para 4 – labour relations matters;
- Para 5 – legal professional privilege;
- Para 6 – a notice, order or direction;

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- Para 7 – the prevention, investigation or prosecution of crime; and may need to be considered as ‘exempt’.

12. Minutes (Pages 23 - 44)

The minutes of the meeting of Overview and Scrutiny Committee which took place on 8th June 2026, including the record of the exempt session, will be considered at this meeting.

13. Executive Committee Minutes (Pages 45 - 70)

The minutes of the meeting of Executive Committee which took place on 9th June 2026, including the exempt record of that meeting (to be attached in supplementary papers pack), are attached for noting.