Agreed Scrutiny Work Programme 2019/20

New Inquiry Panel (time-limited in-depth scrutiny – six months)	New Working Groups (light-touch scrutiny / one-off meetings)	Performance Panels (ongoing in-depth performance / financial monitoring & challenge)	Issues for Scrutiny Programme Committee (Overall work programme management; Cabinet Member Q & As; discussion of broad range of policy and service issues)

1. Procurement (Terms of Reference to be agreed by Panel but may look at. effectiveness of process & Strategy; value for money / social value; benefits to local economy; impact of local procurement on regeneration / jobs; financial savings to Council; collaboration etc)
 	
Follow Up of Previous Inquiries:
 	
1. Regional Working
2. Equalities
	1. Brexit (Council preparedness and resilience; how is this being discussed; what plans / contingencies are being put in place given possible impact, relationship with Wales / UK Government)
	
	2. Employee Health & Wellbeing (how the Council supports members of staff; issues around staff sickness; pressures)
	
	3. Road Safety (hot spots; work to improve safety; preventative measures; speed controls; safety of cycling routes; partnership working)
	
	4. Digital Inclusion (follow up on previous -Mar 2017- discussion around digital transformation, the Council's digital inclusion strategy, and how well prepared both the Council and the public is to use and communicate / engage via digital technology to avoid exclusion / poor access)
		1. Service Improvement & Finance (monthly)
		
		2. Education (monthly)
		
		3. Adult Services (monthly)
		
		4. Child & Family Services (every two months)
		
		5. Development & Regeneration (every two months)
		
		6. Natural Environment (quarterly)
		
		7. Public Services Board (twice yearly)
		
		Specific issues to pick up:
		• Service Improvement & Finance:
		  - Budget (spend / sustainability)
		  - Waste & Recycling (incl. issues around plastic waste, civic amenity site provision; influence on commercial organisations)
		  - Embedding Welsh Language Measures
		  - Archives Service (concern about accommodation issues and their effect on current/future service)
		  - Co-production (Council's approach to improving involvement and engagement, embedding Well-being of Future Generations Act)
		• Education:
		  - Additional Learning Needs (impact of new legislation)
		  - Performance of Children on Free School Meals
		• Adult Services:
		  - Commissioning of Residential Care (quality of service / contracts; financial stability)
			• Specific discussions:
			  - Corporate Safeguarding
			  - Housing Commissioning Review
			• Cabinet Member Q & A Sessions (issues to pick up):
			  - Policy Commitments
			  - Poverty Reduction
			  - Regional Working
			  - 5G Roll-out & Health Concerns (local impact; council involvement re. testing and response)
			  - Fires on Kilvey Hill
			  - Beach / Cliff Incidents
			  - Youth Work
			  - Homelessness Strategy & Action Plan Progress
			  - Council Housebuilding
			  - Rural Economy
			• Crime & Disorder Scrutiny:
			  - Child Sexual Exploitation / County Lines (size / scope of problem & efforts to tackle)
			  - Community Cohesion / Hate Crime
			• Follow Up on Previous Working Groups:
			  - Welfare Reform
			  - Environmental Enforcement
			  - Anti-Social Behaviour

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	Reserve List: • Active Travel (are we meeting obligations of Welsh Government Active Travel Act; encouragement of cycling / walking) • Leisure Facilities (assessment of the leisure offer to residents and visitors; discussion around issues; gaps; work to cater for the young e.g. skateboard parks) • Services for the Disabled and their Carers (Council's overall approach to inclusion / access to information, advice, and services, improving quality of life, progress with Carers Strategy; compliance with legislation)	- Quality of Needs Assessments / Care Plans - Charging - Availability of Specialised Dementia Beds in Care Homes - Waiting Lists for Care in the Community • Child & Family Services: - Youth Offending Service (effectiveness of new local arrangements following critical regional inspection) • Development & Regeneration: - Inward Investment (concern about retail collapse in city centres; advice/support to SMEs) - City Deal & Wider Regeneration - Management of Gower AONB - Regeneration Projects in Deprived Communities - Seafront Proposals - Student Accommodation Developments (managing impact) • Natural Environment: - Follow up on Inquiry Recommendations - Local Flood Risk Management - Pollution Control - Use of Glyphosate for Weed Spraying - Council action on Climate Change	- Tourism
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