

# Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council

## Scrutiny Committee Work Programmes 2016/17

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| <p>The Council has five Scrutiny committees, and each sets its own work programme to review policies, decisions and services of the Council and other organisations operating in the County Borough to ensure they meet the needs of local communities.</p> <p>The five Scrutiny Committees have agreed their Work Programmes and will be considering the items and issues as shown in this document at their meetings over the coming twelve months or so.</p> <p>Some key principles Councillors considered when they prepared the work programmes include: topics should add value and support corporate priorities; where appropriate involve partners, stakeholders and the public; allow some flexibility to enable topics to be included as they arise; seek improvement in service provision; and be achievable within available resources.</p> <p>There are many different ways you may wish to get involved in the work of scrutiny, including: suggesting a topic for scrutiny; providing information and evidence to inform a particular piece of review work - either written or in person; or attending a meeting to listen to discussion.</p> <p>For more information about overview and scrutiny, contact the Scrutiny Team: email <a href="mailto:scrutiny@merthyr.gov.uk">scrutiny@merthyr.gov.uk</a> or telephone 01685 725454.</p> |

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# Governance, Performance, Business Change and Corporate Services Scrutiny Committee

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| 5 <sup>th</sup> July 2016       | Debt Recovery Firms                              | Cllr Phil Williams.<br>Mark Thomas /<br>Mike Parry | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> - Petition Submission: Merthyr Council Stop Using Debt Recovery Firms. A member of the public has contacted the Chief Executive campaigning that MTCBC stops employing the services of debt recovery companies. "The use of debt recovery companies by the council clearly victimizes the least financially secure people in the town who are struggling to keep up with council tax bills, rent (often due to bedroom tax) and even parking charges..." |
|                                 | Older People's Commissioner for Wales – Guidance | For information                                    | <b>Progress report</b> - Older People's Commissioner for Wales - Guidance on Equality and Human Rights Impact Assessments (EHRIA) and Scrutinising Changes to Community Services in Wales.  |
|                                 | Performance                                      | EMcW/Cllr P Williams                               | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan – Priority Area 1-7 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan   |
|                                 | Cwm Taf Public Services Board.                   | For information                                    | <b>Progress report</b> - Joint Scrutiny Committee to scrutinise the Cwm Taf Public Services Board. An information report providing information setting up the joint PSB; together with information regarding setting up the joint scrutiny committee (MTCBC and RCTCBC).  |
|                                 | Performance                                      | EMcW/Cllr P Williams                               | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Corporate Plan – Annual Delivery Document   |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> September 2016 | Performance                                      | EMcW/Cllr P Williams                               | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service Performance Reports –<br><ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Corporate Services</li> <li>2. Legal &amp; HR</li> <li>3. Finance</li> </ol> An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.<br>*Appendices = Performance Board Updates. To include a synopsis from the Performance Board on each report.            |
|                                 | Performance                                      | EMcW/Cllr P Williams                               | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Annual Performance Report. The annual performance report on the Corporate Plan.   |

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|                               | Child Sexual Exploitation - Rotherham MBC - Action Plan                | Cllr L. Matthews / LCJ  | <p><b>Scrutiny and Challenge:</b> - A review of processes and policies was undertaken as part of a Safeguarding Review panel and an action plan produced. "MTCBC Safeguarding Review Improvement Action Plan". The action plan to come to this committee.</p> <p>Referral from Regeneration Scrutiny Committee. At the Regeneration Scrutiny meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> January the Committee was provided an action plan – "MTCBC Safeguarding Review Improvement Action Plan". The Licensing section actions were reported to the committee. The Committee however felt that ownership of monitoring the actions of the action plan should be by the Governance Scrutiny Committee as it was authority-wide. The Governance Scrutiny Committee to consider how to deal with this matter. (A report on the matter was agended at Council on 02/12/2015 MTCBC Corporate response to the Casey report"</p> |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> November 2016 | Performance  | EMcW/Cllr P Williams    | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br/>Corporate Plan – Priority Area 1-7 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan<br/>Service Performance Reports</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Business Change</li> <li>2. Communication &amp; Marketing</li> <li>3. ICT</li> <li>4. Performance</li> </ol> <p>An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.</p>  |
|                               | The Welsh Language Standards (No. 5) Regulations 2016 – 6 months on... | MT/Cllr PW              | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> The Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011 makes Welsh an official language in Wales. This means it must be treated no less favourably than English. The Welsh Language Commissioner has published the Welsh Language Standards. These are a set of legally binding requirements which will apply to Welsh Government from 30 March 2016. The Committee requires a report on progress in implementing the requirements of the Act/Regulations.</p>  |
|                               | The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act – 6 months on....     | Cllr Phil Williams / GC | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> The Act became law on 29<sup>th</sup> April 2015 and came into effect on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2016. The new law has 7 Wellbeing Goals and all the public bodies know what they must work towards. The Committee requires a report on progress in implementing the requirements of the Act.</p>   |

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| 20 <sup>th</sup> December 2016 | Performance                                     | EMcW/Cllr P Williams        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Corporate Plan – Mid year Performance Report  |
|                                | Performance                                     | EMcW/Cllr P Williams        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Service Performance Reports – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Corporate Services</li> <li>2. Legal &amp; HR</li> <li>3. Finance</li> </ol> An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.   |
|                                | Cwm Taf Public Services Board                   | GC / Cllr PW                | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 introduced Public Service Boards. The roles and responsibilities of PSB's have been made statutory. A report on how the Cwm Taf Service Board is progressing.   |
|                                | Anti-Poverty Strategy                           | AO / Cllr PW                | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge: -</b> The Authority is developing an Anti-Poverty Strategy led by Alyn Owen (Chief Officer). The Committee wishes to have sight of the strategy as part of pre-scrutiny before it is progressed to Cabinet / Council   |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> January 2017  | Performance                                     | EMcW/Cllr P Williams        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Service Performance Report (Subject Area - to be confirmed).<br>An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
|                                | Strategic Equality Plan                         | Cllr PW / Mark Thomas       | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> In line with the Equality Act 2010 and public sector equality duty for Wales, all public authorities must produce a strategic equality plan containing set equality objectives. Scrutiny has a role to play in ensuring that equality principles are mainstreamed and reflected in service delivery.  |
|                                | Estyn Inspection follow up and LEA preparedness | DH / Cllr Harvey Jones / GC | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge: -</b> Following Estyn's inspection of education services for children and young people in November 2012, the authority was identified as requiring special measures. It was not until January 2016 that the LEA was removed from special measures. This Committee is seeking an update position as to where the Authority currently stands should there be a further inspection. |

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| 14 <sup>th</sup> March 2017 | Performance  | EMcW/Cllr P Williams   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan – Priority Area 1-7 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan<br>Service Performance Reports – <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Corporate Services</li> <li>2. Legal &amp; HR</li> <li>3. Finance</li> </ol> An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge. |
|                             | Performance and Challenge against “Strategies on a Page” | Gareth Chapman/Ellis Cooper/Cllr Brendan Toomey/Cllr Phil Williams | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> Performance against each of the “strategies on a page”. Follow on from 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2016 meeting. An update on the delivery against the strategies and how they are progressing.   |
| 25 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 | Performance  | EMcW/Cllr P Williams   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service Performance Reports <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Business Change</li> <li>2. Communication &amp; Marketing</li> <li>3. ICT</li> <li>4. Performance</li> </ol> An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.   |
|                             | Draft Annual Scrutiny Report 2016/17                     | HJ / Cllr Phil Williams  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> The Scrutiny Committees are required to prepare annual report on the work they have carried out through the year. With there being local government elections in May 2017, it is suggested that the draft report is agreed at this meeting.  |

# Learning and LAESCYP (Local Authority Education Services for Children and Young People) Scrutiny Committee

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| Committee                       |                                  | Learning and LAESCYP     |                                 |  |
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| Date / Timing                   | Overarching Item                 | Officer & Cabinet Member | (Other)                         | Scrutiny Focus   |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2016      | Pupil Outcomes                   |                          |                                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Education of Looked After Children  |
|                                 | Pupil Outcomes                   |                          |                                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Attendance and Exclusions   |
|                                 | Performance                      | Cllr H Jones / EMcW / DH |                                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 1 Report. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan.<br>*Appendix = Draft Service Performance Report (Learning). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge. |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> September 2016 | Pupil Outcomes                   | Cllr H Jones / DH        |                                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Flying start outcomes   |
|                                 | Provisional Examination results. | Cllr H Jones / DH        |                                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> A report providing the provisional results for all key stages for Merthyr Tydfil Schools   |
|                                 | Commissioning the consortium     | Cllr H Jones / EMcW / DH | Hannah Woodhouse and Cllr David | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>A report detailing the current effectiveness and shortcomings of the consortium in relation to the recent Estyn inspection Plus a review of the CSC business plans for the short and long term.   |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2016   | Leadership                       |                          |                                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>SER KQ 3.3 Partnership working<br>SER KQ 3.4 Resource management  |

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|                               | Service Level Agreements       |  |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Suggested by the Chair. Following the 25th January 2016 meeting, the committee wants to monitor consultation with the unions re lunches and breakfast clubs, and also the educational inclusion and the feedback from the schools forum and the schools themselves; and the impact for the local authority and the schools.  |
|                               | Performance                    | Cllr H Jones / EMcW / DH                       |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 1 Report. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan.<br>Service Performance Report (Learning). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2016 | Schools Attendance At Scrutiny | Cllr HJ, DH, Head & Chair of Governors Schools |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge :</b><br>Attendance by the headteacher and chair of governors of XX School. The meeting will involve a 15 minute presentation by the school focusing on the good features and the challenges that the school is facing. The Committee will also be asking the local authority officers how they identified what, if anything, was needed at the school and how the school responded. The Committee is also keen to understand how both the school and the local authority have made good progress together. |
|                               | School organisation            |  |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Report on school organisation framework and surplus places and 21st Century Schools programme. SER KQ 2.4 Access and school places   |
|                               | School Improvement             |  |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>SER KQ 2.1 Support for School Improvement  |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> January 2017 | Wellbeing                      |  |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Wellbeing<br>SER KQ1 1.2 Wellbeing SER KQ 2.3 Promoting social inclusion and wellbeing   |
|                               | Pupils with ALN                |  |                 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Provision for pupils with ALN<br>SER KQ2 2.2 Support for additional learning needs   |
|                               | Central South Consortium       | Cllr H Jones / EMcW / DH                       | Hannah Woodhous | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>A report to scrutiny on standards cross the CSC and in Merthyr. This is part of a  |

(Work programme Version August 2016)

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|                                |                                |  | e and Cllr David | programme to report to all 5 LA's across the consortium area<br>Can we adjust the work programme?   |
|                                | Leadership                     |  |                  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>SER KQ 3.1 Leadership including governance<br><br>SER KQ 3.2 Improving quality   |
| 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2017 | Pupil outcomes                 |  |                  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>SER KQ1 1:1 Standards  |
|                                | Self-evaluation                |  |                  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Summary SER  |
|                                | Performance                    | Cllr H Jones / EMcW / DH                       |                  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 1 Report. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan.<br>Service Performance Report (Learning). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.<br>*Appendix = Performance Board update. An synopsis from the Performance Board.   |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2017    | Schools Attendance At Scrutiny | Cllr HJ, DH, Head & Chair of Governors Schools |                  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge :</b><br>Attendance by the headteacher and chair of governors of XX School. The meeting will involve a 15 minute presentation by the school focusing on the good features and the challenges that the school is facing. The Committee will also be asking the local authority officers how they identified what, if anything, was needed at the school and how the school responded. The Committee is also keen to understand how both the school and the local authority have made good progress together. |

Possible focus for a task and finish group

- Committee needs to engage with the secondary schools and the college as the County Borough is losing pupils to RCT; and about a borough wide learning together initiative. This follows information received at Chair attendance at Service Challenge Sessions (Self Evaluation)



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- Review of what the Authority and Schools are providing in relation to ALN across the County Borough. To include the role of Greenfield Special school

**For future consideration (some need to be taken off)**

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| <b>To be confirmed (in addition to June 2015)</b> | Adult, MIA, Community Learning & Communities First | LB, DH, Lead HOS & Cllr BC | <b>Wider LAESCYP Services</b>              | <b>Information &amp; Overview</b> : A brief outline of key LAESCYP and Education issues currently delivered by Social Regeneration and an opportunity to scope out how the new committee will address issues. |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>                            | Merthyr Youth Forum / Cabinet                      | DH/LPL                     | <b>Wider LAESCYP Services</b>              | <b>To meet with the</b> Merthyr youth forum / cabinet, inviting them to give us an insight on how they see their role, achievements, how they perceive opportunities for the youth of Merthyr Tydfil etc.     |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>                            | Nursery Admissions                                 | AL                         | <b>Pre Scrutiny &amp; Follow Up Issues</b> | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge</b> : A report updating committee on progress towards reconfiguring the funding and delivery of nursery provision to meet statutory requirements and defining sufficiency         |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>                            | Home To Schools Transport                          | AL                         | <b>Pre Scrutiny &amp; Follow Up Issues</b> | <b>Information &amp; Overview</b> : A report updating committee on progress towards reconfiguring the funding and delivery of HTST  |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>                            | Learning Support Assistant Review                  |                            | <b>Pre Scrutiny &amp; Follow Up Issues</b> | <b>Information &amp; Overview</b> : A report detailing the outcomes of a review of the appropriateness of the current service level agreements with schools in relation to LSAs                               |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>                            | Effectiveness of Governors                         | GW/DH                      | <b>Wider LAESCYP Services</b>              | <b>Information &amp; Overview</b> : To have sight of the Governors survey. How effective are Governors in the overall school improvement.   |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>                            | Human Resources Department Restructuring.          |                            | <b>Wider LAESCYP Services</b>              | <b>Information &amp; Overview</b> : Impact of restructure on schools i.e. better service; school improvement  |

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| To be confirmed | School Budgets (Afon Taf High School)      |  | School Budgets              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> Meeting 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2015. Afon Taf High School overspent against its plan in year 1 by £60k and closed the financial year-end £342k in deficit. Internal audit are currently reviewing the current financial position of Afon Taf High School and the reasons for their large financial deficit. The committee has asked for sight of the report when it is available.  |
| To be confirmed | Free School Meals (attainment)             |  | Pupil Outcomes              | <b>Information &amp; Overview :</b> Meeting 7 <sup>th</sup> September 2015. Meeting with CSC. One of the areas for improvement “A sharper pace and urgency to focus on the achievement of children claiming free school meals in particular across the region, so that they achieve accelerated improvement against their peers”. Need to follow up on this at a future meeting with the CSC and the Chief Education Officer. What is the CSC doing to support this LEA? |
| To be confirmed | School Balances                            |  | School Budgets              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> The committee requires a report on school balances with reference to the likely pressures on school balances in the coming financial years.   |
| To be confirmed | Effectiveness of Capita 1 system           |  | Pupil Outcomes              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> The software system Capita One provides management information systems for local authorities to for example measure attendance, provide attainment figures (trends etc), safeguarding etc. An update on the effectiveness of the system is required.  |
| To be confirmed | Loss of Pupils to RCT schools              |  | Pupil Outcome               | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> Committee needs to engage with the secondary schools and the college as the County Borough is losing pupils to RCT; and about a borough wide learning together initiative. This follows information received at Chair attendance at Service Challenge Sessions (Self Evaluation)  |
| To be confirmed | Additional Learning Needs                  |  | Pupil Outcomes              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> The committee requires an update report on what the Authority and Schools are providing in relation to ALN across the County Borough.   |
| To be confirmed | Absenteeism                                |  | Pupil Outcomes              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> A report providing levels of school absenteeism, to include comparison with like schools and the development of any procedures to raise attendance. Top also meet with a member of the Absenteeism Group.   |
| To be confirmed | Do schools receive Internal Audit Reports? |  | Pupil Outcomes / Governance | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> This suggestion emanated from the Audit Committee on 9 <sup>th</sup> November (Cllr's Clive Jones / Kate Moran). Is there general access to schools minutes and agenda's  |

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|   | Do they discuss with the Governing Bodies                    |  |                                    |   |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>  | B Squared Assessment Software and Capita 1 System            |  | <b>Pupil Outcomes / Governance</b> | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> At the 30/11/2015 meeting committee informed that B Squared Assessment Software has not been introduced in schools as yet. This software package will assist with collation and production of data / information in relation to Provision for ALN Pupils. An update is required as to whether this software is now being introduced / purchased. |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>  | Greenfield School -t capacity                                |  | <b>Pupil Outcomes</b>              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> At the 30/11/2015 meeting committee informed Greenfield School is at capacity. As such are other Schools struggling with resources, are there more children in mainstream schools.   |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>  | Invite SENCO's to a Scrutiny meeting                         |  | <b>Pupil Outcomes</b>              | <b>Information &amp; Overview:</b> Following the 30/11/2015 meeting. To get an understanding of the work they do and their experiences of working with Local Authority.   |
| <b>To be confirmed in new Work Programme for 2016/17. Placed as standing item for time being.</b> | Performance Board – Learning report 25 <sup>th</sup> January |  | <b>Performance</b>                 | <b>Report recommendation is</b> “Scrutiny to schedule a reoccurring agenda item in their forward work programme to monitor the delivery of the agreed action points detailed in this report.”   |
| <b>To be confirmed in new Work Programme for 2016/17</b>  | Service Level Agreements                                     |  | <b>Pupil Outcomes</b>              | <b>Scrutiny and review:- Suggested by the Chair.</b> Following the 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2016 meeting, the committee still wants to monitor consultation with the unions re lunches and breakfast clubs, and also the educational inclusion and the feedback from the schools forum and the schools themselves; and the impact for the local authority and the schools.          |
| <b>To be confirmed</b>  | NEETS  |  | <b>Wider LAESCYP Services</b>      | NEETs going to scrutiny after the Destination Survey for 2015 is published, as the department would then be in a position to report on Merthyr's performance in comparison to the rest of Wales.<br><br>The Department (Chris Hole) highlight the following themes to Scrutiny so that it is  |

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|                        |                |  |                                    | <p>able to explore further as the coming year progresses, especially as there is a general awareness of the improvements seen in recent years to the overall NEETs figure with a continued decrease in young people identified as NEET which for 2015 is 1.6% as previously reported.</p> <p>Key messages/themes</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The council currently has access to the Merthyr Tydfil pre-release data for 2015. The full report is due to be published in the spring of this year however no set date is currently available. When published this will enable the authority to benchmark its current performance against the rest of Wales.</li> <li>2. However through local analysis of trend data for the past 3 years (2013 - 2015) <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. An increasing number of young people are staying on in education, however significant increases have been seen in young people opting for school 6<sup>th</sup> forms outside of Merthyr Tydfil (excluding Greenfield)</li> <li>b. Whilst the number of young people classified as unable to take up a post 16 provision is small, Mental Health issues are identified as the prevailing factor (in 2015 70% of the current 10 unable to access provision)</li> <li>c. After initial progress there has been a significant reduction in young people securing apprenticeships</li> </ol> </li> <li>3. A further theme not covered by the Destination survey but requiring exploration in the coming year is the retention of young people by sector (Work based Learning, Tertiary College etc.) once they have taken up a progression route after leaving school</li> </ol> <p>These suggested themes would give some clear priorities for future scrutiny meetings within what is a fairly wide partnership agenda.</p> |
| <b>To be confirmed</b> | Surplus Places |  | <b>Pupil Outcomes / Governance</b> | <b>Scrutiny and review:-</b> Report of what impact this will have on schools in the future and how it will impact on funding allocation.   |

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| To be confirmed  | Schools Budget Formula / Schools funding formula |       | Pupil Outcomes / Governance | <b>Scrutiny and review:</b> - This is an ongoing issue as far as this scrutiny committee is concerned which has not been addressed satisfactorily to date.  |
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| <b>To be confirmed (agreed at 20<sup>th</sup> June 2016 meeting)</b> |  |       |                             | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invite the LAESCYP Monitoring Group to a future meeting.</li> <li>• Arrange School visits for the Committee when required to those schools where scrutiny can make an impact.</li> <li>• Attendance training and impact of the SLA's. What are schools doing themselves?</li> <li>• Impact on SLA's.</li> <li>• Expectations and attainment of Looked after Children.</li> <li>• Impact of Capita One, e.g. now that it is imbedded is it capturing the right data that schools and the LEA needs, is it more effective?</li> <li>• Confirmation when GCSE Results are being included on the Forward Work Programme. September meeting?</li> <li>• Industrial Relations with the Education Department.</li> <li>• HR SLA's to be included in the Forward Work Programme for September.</li> <li>• LAC placed out of county do better than those in county. Why? Theresa is collating data so the Department can drill down. When data analysed it will come to scrutiny</li> </ul> |
| <b>TBC</b>   | Merthyr Youth Forum / Cabinet                    | DH/CH |                             | <b>Information &amp; Overview :</b><br><b>To meet with the</b> Merthyr youth forum / cabinet, inviting them to give us an insight on how they see their role, achievements, how they perceive opportunities for the youth of Merthyr Tydfil etc. Listening To Young People/ Youth Engagement and Progression  |

# Neighbourhood Services and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee

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| 4 <sup>th</sup> July 2016       | Performance                                       | Cllr PW/<br>SP/Cllr DJ                      | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 7 Report. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan Service Performance Report (Neighbourhood). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.   |
|                                 | Scrutiny report                                   | Update from Chair of Committee              | <b>Feedback:</b> - The Scrutiny Report “Overcoming the Blight of Fly-tipping and Litter in the County Borough” was presented to Cabinet on 15 <sup>th</sup> June. The Chair is to provide feedback on the Cabinet meeting and Cabinets decision(s)  |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> September 2016 | Fly-tipping / Litter                              | EC / CE / Cllr DJ /<br>Appropriate Officers | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> - See report “ <a href="#">Overcoming the Blight of Fly-tipping and Litter in the County Borough</a> ” agended at Cabinet on 29 <sup>th</sup> June. Recommendation:- A report is presented to the Neighbourhood Services and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee within 3 months of this report being considered by Cabinet, on the progress of the Strategic Group, and also on progress in dealing with the fly-tipping and litter issues in the County Borough |
|                                 | Recycling / landfill<br>Published & Verified Data | CE / Cllr DJ<br>and appropriate Officer     | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> - The Recycling / Landfill performance data will have been published in August. A report to scrutiny providing details of the figures.   |
|                                 | Performance                                       | CE / Cllr DJ<br>and appropriate Officer     | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Service Performance Report (Neighbourhood). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
|                                 | Performance<br>(From last meeting)                | Cllr PW/ CE<br>/Cllr DJ /<br>EMcW           | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>An update on progress against the Corporate Plan, Priority Area 7 - “A Sustainable Environment” <a href="#">Link to report</a>   |

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| 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2016  | Key Transformation Budget Projects 2016/17 | CLE + various, Cllr DJ              | <b>Monitoring &amp; Scrutiny</b> : An update on key significant transformation budget projects for 2016/17 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>an update on Highways and Engineering</li> </ul>   |
|                                | Performance of Leisure Trust               | Richard March / MT/JS               | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> - One of the Councils 7 Priority Areas as per the Corporate Plan is “Active Lifestyles” - By 2017, we want to see a sustained increase in the participation of physical activity from all residents in Merthyr Tydfil, and a contribution to improved health and well-being.</p> <p>In the Summary of the WAO Improvement Assessment 2015/16 Performance Assessment (Waste and Active Lifestyles (June 2016) they comment that “The Council is making progress on its planned improvements in waste services, and performance in its <b>active lifestyles priority area is mixed but there are weaknesses in the Council’s performance information in these areas.”</b></p> <p>As the Leisure Trust is a key contributor towards our key priority, performance has dipped in the last 12 months and as such the Trust to give an update on performance and their efforts to improve performance. This item follows on from performance item on Active Lifestyles on 26<sup>th</sup> September.</p> |
|                                | Performance                                | As advised by Performance Dept      | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Service Performance Report – Regulatory (Public Protection). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.</p> <p>*Appendix = Performance Board update. A synopsis from Performance Board</p>  |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2016 | Crime and Disorder                         | SP/Cllr DJ and appropriate officers | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> There have been significant changes following the demise of the Local Service Board and the introduction of the Joint Cwm Taf Public Service Board. The Committee requires a report on progress in order that it can resume scrutiny of the work of the community safety partners.</p> <p>The terms of reference of the committee are to scrutinise the work of the community safety partners insofar as their activities relate to the community safety activities of; substance misuse; anti-social behaviour; offender management; community cohesion; domestic abuse &amp; sexual violence; and counter terrorism &amp; extremism.</p> <p>The role of the committee in whichever form it is applied should be as a ‘critical friend’ of</p>   |

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|                               |                      |  | the Community Safety agencies, providing it with constructive challenge at a strategic level rather than adversarial fault-finding at an operational level.  |
|                               | Trust Performance    | RM and appropriate persons   | <b>Monitoring &amp; Scrutiny:</b> A 6 monthly update on progress and performance in achieving the stated targets and outcomes for the Trust.   |
|                               | Performance          |  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 7 Report. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan Service Performance Report (Neighbourhood). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.   |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2017 | Fly-tipping / Litter | GC/EC/Cllr BT/Cllr DJ and appropriate Officers<br>Attendees as per 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2016 | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> - See report "Overcoming the Blight of Fly-tipping and Litter in the County Borough" agended at Cabinet on 15 <sup>th</sup> June. Recommendation - A follow up meeting (similar to the scrutiny meeting on 11 <sup>th</sup> April 2016) be scheduled by the Neighbourhood Services and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee on its work programme early next year. This will be a workshop/state of the union-style meeting |
|                               | Crime and Disorder   | SP/JP & Partner Agencies   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Community Safety. Bring in representatives of the partnership and questioning them about their roles, responsibilities, and activities.  |
|                               | Performance          | As advised by Performance Dept   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service Performance Report (Public Protection). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> March 2017   | Energy Efficiency    | CLE & Cllr DJ / MC   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> - Sustainable Environment. Outline of the Carbon Reduction strategy and plan for energy efficiency.   |



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| 24 <sup>th</sup> April 2017                     |             |  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b>  |
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|   | Performance |  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service Performance Report (Public Protection). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
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| 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2016     | Planning: Annual Performance Report (APR)                           | Judith Jones & Huw Roberts                                      | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> As of November 2015 all Local Planning Authorities are required to submit an APR to Welsh Government which assesses the performance of Development Control in terms of determining planning applications and also reports on customer survey feedback.   |
|                                | Performance   | MP/AO/Cllr Barry  | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 5 & 6 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan Service Performance Report (Community Regeneration). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.   |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> October 2016   | Performance   |   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 5 & 6 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan Service Performance Report (Community Regeneration). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.   |
|                                | Awareness Raising – “Countryside” elements of the Committees remit. | JW - Group Leader - Planning policy and Implementation section. | The Chair has asked for an update on this issue from the Group Leader ‘Planning policy and Implementation section’ to include an outline of his areas of responsibility, including any targets he is working towards.<br><br>“The Countryside elements that fall within Judith Jones’s (Head of Planning and Countryside) remit relate to ecology, biodiversity and landscape which sit under the umbrella of implementation within the ‘Planning policy and Implementation section’, for which Justin Waite is the Group Leader”. |
| 15 <sup>th</sup> November 2016 | Destination Management Plan   | CL / AO / Cllr. CB RB   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> A report detailing how the adopted Destination Management Plan is being delivered across the County Borough:<br>(i) Progress on the overall delivery of the newly adopted DMP in relation to key actions and outputs, the Visit Merthyr film and guide and the trends in terms of visitors to  |

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|                                |  |                             | <p>the County Borough, the length of stay and the focus of activity.</p> <p>(ii) Progress on the local delivery including stakeholder engagement, local work-plans and groups / structures established</p> <p>(iii) Update on product development including Cyfarthfa Heritage Area, Rock UK and BPW; detail on the relationship between MTCBC and the Leisure Trust.</p> <p>(iv) Progress on regional delivery and the projects the local authority are delivering and / or opportunities being pursued</p> <p>(v) Progress on the trans-national opportunities identified through the European funded Atlantic and Interreg Programmes.</p> |
|                                | Planning: Annual Monitoring Report (AMR) | Judith Jones & Justin Waite | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> The Planning & Compulsory Purchase Act 2004 requires that an AMR is produced and submitted to WG each year. The AMR reports on the success (or not) of the LDP in delivering/implementing policies.   |
|                                | Performance                              | EMcW                        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service Performance Report (Planning). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
|                                | Housing Renewal Funding                  | SP / JP / Cllr CB           | <b>Scrutiny and Challenge:</b><br>The Authority only has one Renewal Area (Bedlinog Ward) and the funding is ending on 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2017. Three members of staff rely on the funding, although they undertake other functions within the Council. In addition there is and will be ongoing requests for repairs to properties that have been part of the scheme. A report providing the risks being faced and areas of concern.   |
| 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2016 | VVP                                      | CL / AO / ZT and Cllr. CB   | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> A report detailing the progress of the Vibrant and Viable Places Programme in Merthyr:</p> <p>(i) Progress on project delivery as the Programme draws to a close in March 2017 including re-profiles undertaken and an update on the remaining budget.</p>   |

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|                               | Performance       |                           | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br/> Corporate Plan, Priority Area 5 &amp; 6 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan<br/> Service Performance Report (Community Regeneration). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.<br/> *Appendix = Performance Board update. A synopsis from the Performance Board</p>  |
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| 7 <sup>th</sup> February 2017 | Social Enterprise | CL / AO / IE and Cllr. CB | <p><b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> A report on the Social Enterprise Strategy detailing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Update - Revised Social enterprise strategy, developed through the Merthyr Tydfil Social Enterprise Network.</li> <li>(ii) SEWCED Legacy – The continued Economic impact of the financial Investment and organisations future requirements.</li> <li>(iii) Social services and wellbeing act – opportunities for social Enterprises</li> <li>(iv) Current support provisions and the LA's role in helping organisations access the support.</li> </ul> |

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|                             | Performance                       |                     | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service performance Report (Planning). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |
|                             | Housing Allocation Policy (Draft) | SP / JP / Cllr CB   | <b>Scrutiny and Challenge:</b><br>All Local Authorities have to publish a scheme which determines the priority and procedure for the allocation of social housing. A new policy is being drafted throughout the summer of 2016, with a view to receiving full Council Approval in Nov/Dec 2016. It is suggested that the Committee review its initial implementation in 2017. |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> March 2017 | Economic Growth Plan              | AO, CL and Cllr. CB | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> A report to provide an update on the Economic Growth Plan and it's key areas of focus to: increase employment, encourage business growth and investment and to tackle social disadvantage.  |
|                             | Performance                       |                     | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 5 & 6 Reports. An update on progress against the Corporate Plan<br>Service Performance Report (Community Regeneration). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.               |
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| 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2017    | Performance                       | EMcW                | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Service performance Report (Planning). An update on progress implementing the service  |

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| 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2016      | Annual Report                                 | LCJ, AL, MA, LM                                | Social Services   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Annual Council Reporting Framework. The Director of Social Services annual statutory report to Welsh Government   |
|                                 | Performance                                   | EMcW/LCJ/Cllr L Matthews                       | Social Services   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 2, 3 & 4 Reports. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan<br>Performance Board Report – Improving Wellbeing. A synopsis from the Performance Board.<br>*Appendix = Draft Service Performance Reports. An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge. |
| 20 <sup>th</sup> September 2016 | CTSAB/CTSCB Annual Plans 16/17                | Nicola Kingham and officers and elected member | Social services   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> update on the safeguarding board plan. Looking at the areas we have covered and safeguarding priorities   |
|                                 | Looked After Children Strategy Implementation | AL & Port. Member                              | Children Services | <b>Monitoring, Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> A quarterly update on progress implementing the LAC strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges. The strategy is seeking a reduction in the number of LAC and CPR over the next few years   |
|                                 | Performance                                   | EMcW/LCJ/Cllr L Matthews                       | Social Services   | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 2, 3 & 4 Reports. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan<br>Service Performance Report (Improving Wellbeing). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge.  |

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|                               | Corporate safeguarding reference Group Update         | Alex Beckham and portfolio member              | Social Services        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Reference group set up a year ago and a report to review progress and plan drawn up from development sessions.                                  |
|                               | Annual Report on LAC reviews and CP conferences       | Alex Beckham and portfolio member              | Social Services        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Information on data regards conferences and reviews and current registration status   |
|                               | Learning Disabilities inspection                      | MA/LCJ/Cllr Matthews                           | Social Services        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> An update on inspection.  |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> November 2016 | Annual Report on adult safeguarding processes         | Alex Beckham and portfolio member              | Social Services        | <b>Report providing update on adult protection referrals and details as required.</b>   |
|                               | CTSAB/CTSCB Annual Reports 15/16                      | Nicola Kingham and officers and elected member | Social Services        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b>   |
|                               | Communities First – Where we were?<br>Where we going? | Ryan Stokes/LMCJ                               | Social Services        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> data from the three areas and updates CF moving forward.  |
|                               | YOS inspection  | AL/LCJ/Cllr Matthews                           | Social Services        | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> findings from inspection  |
|                               | Annual Performance Evaluation for                     | CSSIW  | <b>Social Services</b> | <b>Monitoring &amp; Scrutiny:</b> The CSSIW will be publishing the evaluation report on 30 October 2016 and wish to present it to this scrutiny committee before 31 December 2016 |



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| 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2016 | 2015-2016  |                                 |                          |  |
|                               | Performance  | EMcW/LCJ/Cllr L Matthews        |                          | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 2, 3 & 4 Reports. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan<br>Service Performance Report (Improving Wellbeing). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge. |
|                               | WCCIS  | Mark Anderton/LCJ/Cllr Matthews | SS                       | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> Updating scrutiny on new database and links to performance – how we will report in future.   |
|                               | Intermediate Care Fund(ICF) update – budgets – development of the integrated health and social care team | Mark Anderton/LCJ/Cllr Matthews | SS                       | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> update on funding and where we are at with the new proposal (set up summer 2016) of new team.  |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> January 2017 | Looked After Children Strategy Implementation  | AL/ Cllr LM                     | <b>Children Services</b> | <b>Monitoring, Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> A quarterly update on progress implementing the LAC strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges. The strategy is seeking a reduction in the number of LAC and CPR over the next few years  |
|                               | Dom care contract  | MA/LCJ/Cllr Matthews            | SS                       | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> update on first quarter of new dom care contract – looking at value for money and data. Where we were /where we going?   |
|                               | Budget update  | Stacey Evans/LCJ/Cllr Matthews  |                          | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Update on budget and looking at areas that may overspend. Look at grant funding areas. Eg ICF   |

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| 7th March 2017              | Performance                                   | EMcW/LCJ/Cllr L Matthews |                          | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Corporate Plan, Priority Area 2, 3 & 4 Reports. An update on progress implementing the Corporate Plan<br>Service Performance Report (Improving Wellbeing). An update on progress implementing the service strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges for example activities from the Performance Board challenge. |
|                             | CSSIW report action plan update               | AL/LCJ/MA                | SS                       | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b> At the May meeting CSSIW reported to committee on their report. An action plan was needed to address the recommendations in the report. This will be the second update, then every six months thereafter.  |
|                             | Review of family support services             | AL/LMCJ                  |                          | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b><br>Where we were /where we going in future. Started work august 2016 so this would be a review of where we are at.   |
| 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2017 | Looked After Children Strategy Implementation | AL & Port. Member        | <b>Children Services</b> | <b>Monitoring, Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:</b> A quarterly update on progress implementing the LAC strategy and the associated risks, issues and challenges. The strategy is seeking a reduction in the number of LAC and CPR over the next few years  |
|                             | CTSAB/CTSCB Annual Plans 17/18                | Nicola Kingham           | Social services          | <b>Scrutiny &amp; Challenge:-</b>  |

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