

# BCP Council Overview and Scrutiny Board – Work Plan. Updated 29.01.2026

## Guidance notes:

- 2/3 items per committee meeting is the recommended maximum for effective scrutiny.
- The O&S Board will approach work through a lens of **RESIDENT IMPACT AND EXPERIENCE**
- Items requiring further scoping are identified and should be scoped using the [Key Lines of Enquiry tool](#).

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| Meeting Date: 2 February 2026 BUDGET SCRUTINY |   |   |  |  |
|   | <p><b>Budget 2026/27 and Medium-Term Financial Plan</b></p> <p>To consider the budget for 2026/27 prior to submission to Cabinet and Council.</p>       | <p>Pre-decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet/Council report</p> <p>Directors invited to provide information on resident impact</p> | <p>PH – Finance<br/>Chief Finance Officer</p>  | Annual Budget report                           |
| Meeting Date: 23 February 2026                |   |   |  |  |
|   | <p><b>Increased Penalty Charge Notice and Associated Charges Trial</b></p> <p>To share the DFT report on the outcome of the trial from Summer 2025.</p> | <p>Pre-decision scrutiny of a Cabinet report</p>  | <p>Director of Commercial Operations / PH – Destination, Culture and Commercial Operations</p> | Item identified from the Cabinet FP – Jan 2026 |
|   | <p><b>Report from the Consultation Framework Working Group</b></p> <p>To receive the report and recommendations from the Working Group.</p>             | <p>Committee Report from Working Group</p>  | <p>PH – Customer, Communications and Culture</p>   | See item below on the working group            |

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|  | <p><b>Crime and Disorder Scrutiny of Community Safety Partnership</b></p> <p>The Overview and Scrutiny Board is the statutory body for crime and disorder scrutiny and will consider the annual report of the community safety partnership.</p> | Annual Report                             | <p>PH – Housing and Regulatory</p> <p>Director of Housing and Communities</p>                                       | <p>Note: this report was originally scheduled for January 2026 – moved to ensure availability of partners - Date TBC</p>               |
| Meeting Date: 23 March 2026  |   |   |   |  |
|  | <p><b>Parking Strategy</b></p> <p>To consider a number of areas identified by the board including, park and ride, overnight parking vacant land for parking, seasonal parking pressures and restrictions</p>                                    | Committee Report                          | <p>Director of Commercial Operations / PH – Destination, Culture and Commercial Operations</p>                      | <p>This was added to the work plan for the Board in November following a request as part of a Council motion. Date agreed Jan 2026</p> |
|  | <p><b>Parking Enforcement Around Schools</b></p> <p>For the O&amp;S Board to consider how illegal parking can be addressed around schools. To potentially include input from schools and parking enforcement team.</p>                          | Enquiry session                           | <p>PH – Destination, Leisure and Commercial Operations</p> <p>PH – Children, Young People, Education and Skills</p> | <p>Initial enquiries will be made through a scrutiny rapporteur to lead to an enquiry session with different parties.</p>              |
| Items for scrutiny (Meeting dates and/or methods to be determined) |   |   |   |  |
|  | <p><b>Carters Quay</b></p> <p>To scrutinise the Cabinet report which provides an update to Councillors on the current situation</p>   | Pre-Decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet Report | <p>PH – Housing and Regulatory Services</p>   | <p>Item added to the Cabinet FP - June 2025. Originally scheduled for October - moved to new date to be confirmed (TBC)</p>            |

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|  | <p><b>Bournemouth Development Company: Winter Gardens Site Development Plan</b></p> <p>To consider a report which presents a new site development plan for Cabinet approval.</p>  | Pre-Decision Scrutiny of a Cabinet Report | PH – Leader<br>Chief Operations Officer / Director of Investment and Development | Item agreed to be added from the Cabinet Forward Plan by the Board at its September meeting – Item moved to February Cabinet date TBC |
|  | <p><b>Carter's Quay Development Impact</b></p> <p>To consider the impact of the Carter's Quay Development on residents living in the locality of the site.</p>  | As part of the Cabinet report             | PH – Housing and Regulatory Services   | Item agreed by the Board at its September 2025 meeting – following referral from the Audit and Governance Committee                   |
|  | <b>Accounting for Social Value in decision making</b>   | Committee Report                          | TBC  | Item requires further scoping - <a href="#">KLOE document</a>   |
|  | <p><b>Working more collectively across BCP geographical areas / Locality Governance</b> – This item is interdependent with the progressing Community Governance Review and will be revisited once this is completed.</p>                              | TBC                                       | TBC  | This requires further scoping – <a href="#">KLOE document</a>   |
|  | <p><b>Culture of the Council</b></p> <p>To consider a number of different elements regarding the culture of the Council including member/officer relations, accountability and record keeping and recognition of different geographic localities.</p> | TBC                                       | TBC  | Scrutiny Request received and agreed by the Board - June 2025   |

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|   | <b>Business Improvement Districts</b><br>To consider issues raised by the business improvement districts operating within BCP.   | Report/presentation to the O&S Board (TBC) | Leader of the Council   | This was requested June 2025 as there was an existing item for issues arising from the preceding briefing from the BIDs which hadn't been progressed |
|   | <b>Domestic Abuse Strategies</b><br>To consider prior to Cabinet the Prevention of Domestic Abuse Strategy, and the Perpetrator Strategy including delivery plans  | TBC – Pre-Cabinet decision Scrutiny        | PH – Housing and Regulatory Services  | Item added to the Cabinet Forward Plan with a date TBC. The Board agreed to add to the Work Plan - October 2025                                      |
| Working Groups and items addressed through alternative scrutiny methods |  |  |   |  |
|   | <b>Public Consultations Framework Development</b> – This group has completed its work into the consultation framework and will report its findings back to the Board inline with the timetabling of the draft framework. | Working Group                              | Director of Marketing, Communications and Policy<br>PH – Customer, Communications and Culture | The Board established this working group at its meeting on 18 November<br>The Group is continuing its work to look into recent consultations.        |
|   | <b>Member involvement in the Complaints Process</b><br>To investigate how this links with members ward work in specific issues.  | Scrutiny Rapporteur – Cllr S Aitkenhead    | PH - Customer, Communications and Culture   |  |
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|   | <b>Briefing Sessions</b>   |  |   |  |

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|  | Dates for O&S Board Briefing Sessions for 2025/26:               |                                | Potential Topics for Briefing Sessions                                       |                        |
|  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monday 9 March</li> </ul> |                                | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performance of the Council</li> </ul> |                        |

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