

Work Programme: Performance, Assets and Strategy Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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Name of Item	Description of Item	Suggested Meeting Date	Service Area	Lead Officer
Update on Budget 2026/27 consultation	To provide an update to the Overview and Scrutiny Committee on the progress of developing the 2026-27 budget.	Tuesday 9 September 2025	Corporate Hub	Jody Etherington, Chief Finance Officer (S151 Officer)
Update on council implementation of Procurement Act 2023 changes	To outline the potential for conflict between legislative requirements and council aims (e.g., social benefit)	Tuesday 9 September 2025	Corporate Hub	Jane Wilson, Chief Operating Officer
Civic Quarter	To consider the technical report and provide recommendations to Cabinet in September 2025.	Tuesday 9 September 2025	Economy and Place	Ben Binns, Assistant Director for Development
Greater Cambridge Local Plan	Draft plan to be submitted to both Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Councils in autumn/winter 2025 for agreement to consult.	Tuesday 4 November 2025	Greater Cambridge Shared Planning	Stephen Kelly, Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development

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Report of Cambridge Growth Company	Peter Freeman, Chair of the Cambridge Growth Company, has accepted an invitation to attend the committee to discuss the work of the Cambridge Growth Company.	Tuesday 9 December 2025	Economy and Place, Shared Planning	Stephen Kelly, Joint Director of Planning and Economic Development and Lynne Miles, Director Economy and Place
Budget 2026-27 update	To receive the latest update on the 2026-27 budget ahead of recommendations to Cabinet and Council.	Tuesday 27 January 2026	Corporate Hub	Jody Etherington, Chief Finance Officer (S151 Officer)
Update on 3C ICT improvement programme and external review	To provide an update on the shared ICT service improvement plan.	Tuesday 3 March 2026	3C ICT	Simon Oliver, Chief Digital Information Officer (CDIO)
City Centre Heat Network	Pre-scrutiny ahead of report to Cabinet on 24 March 2026. Issue details - City Centre Heat Network - Cambridge Council	Tuesday 3 March	Economy and Place	Ben Binns, Assistant Director of Development
WATCHING: Outcome of Housing Review	To follow report of Regulator of Social Housing in autumn 2025 with establishment of Task and Finish Group likely to follow.	TBC	Communities	Samantha Shimmon, Assistant Director of Housing and Homelessness
WATCHING: Local Government Reform	To discuss the latest update on Local Government Reform in Cambridgeshire as it relates to the City Council and the remit of the committee.	TBC	TBC	TBC