MEETING	CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
DATE	5 November 2026
TITLE	Care Scrutiny Committee Forward Programme
PURPOSE OF THE REPORT	To adopt a revised work programme for 2026/27
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1. A Forward Programme for 2026/27 was adopted at the Committee's meeting on 14 July 2026.

2. The item 'The impact of legislation to remove profit from children's care homes on Cyngor Gwynedd's ability to provide homes for looked-after children ' was scheduled to be discussed at this meeting.

3. A request was received from the Children and Families Department to move the item to the January 21, 2027 meeting, as they had not received all the necessary information from external organisations in time to create a comprehensive plan and report. Following consultation with the Chair, the request to move the item was approved.

4. The following items have already been prioritised by the committee for the 21 January meeting:
   - Housing and Property Department Performance Report
   - Derwen Service
   - Using technology more effectively to improve the ability of Gwynedd residents to access support and care
   - Childcare

5. To ensure that proper attention is given to matters and that scrutiny can add value, it is suggested that the Childcare item be moved from the 21 January meeting to the 11 March 2027 meeting. That would mean that four reports will be submitted to the March meeting.

6. Please see attached as an appendix to the report, a revised work programme for 2026/27.

7. **The Care Scrutiny Committee will be asked to adopt a revised work programme for 2026/27.**

APPENDIX

CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD PROGRAMME 2026/27

Date	Items	Reason to scrutinise
4/6/26	• Strategic Safeguarding Panel Annual Report	Pre-scrutiny / Assurance is needed in terms of implementation
	• Safeguarding Policy Review	Pre-scrutiny / Assurance is needed in terms of implementation
	• Children and Supporting Families Performance Report	Scrutiny of the performance of Council departments
	• Adults, Health and Well-being Department Performance Report	Scrutiny of the performance of Council departments
	• Housing and Property Department Performance Report	Scrutiny of the performance of Council departments
16/7/26	• Day Care Service	Council Plan 2023-28 - A Caring Gwynedd
	• Report of the Complaints Task and Finish Group - Adults, Health and Well-being Department and Children and Supporting Families Department	Task and Finish Group
	• Llechen Lân	Pre-scrutiny / Council Plan 2023-28 - A Caring Gwynedd
	• Third Sector Compact	Pre-scrutiny
17/9/26	• North Wales Population Needs Assessment for Care and Support	Pre-scrutiny
	• Collaborating with the Housing Associations	Council Plan 2023-28 - A Homely Gwynedd

	• Annual Report 2025-26 - Complaints, Enquiries and Expressions of Gratitude - Children and Supporting Families and the Adults, Health and Well-being Departments	Assurance in respect of the arrangements for handling complaints in care work
Date	**Items**	**Reason to scrutinise**
5/11/26	• Adults, Health and Well-being Department Performance Report	Scrutiny of the performance of Council departments
	• Children and Supporting Families Performance Report	Scrutiny of the performance of Council departments
	• Response Plan to the Our Bravery Brought Justice Report	Assurance is needed in terms of implementation
21/1/27	• Housing and Property Department Performance Report	Scrutiny of the performance of Council departments
	• Derwen Service	Council Plan 2023-28 - A Caring Gwynedd / Challenges in the field
	• Increased use of technology to improve residents' ability to access care and support	Pre-scrutiny / Council Plan 2023-28 - A Caring Gwynedd
	• The impact of legislation to remove profit from children's care homes on Cyngor Gwynedd's ability to provide homes for looked-after children	Council Plan 2023-28 - A Caring Gwynedd / To receive assurance that suitable arrangements are in place to continue to offer suitable homes for looked-after children, including those with profound and complex needs.
11/3/27	• Childcare	To receive assurances that a suitable service is in place that provides value for money
	• Housing and Homelessness Support Strategy	Pre-scrutiny / Council Plan 2023-28 - A Homely Gwynedd
	• Housing Action Plan	Council Plan 2023-28 - A Homely Gwynedd

	• The Council's ability to implement a Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards (DoLS) Plan	Matter on the risk register / Obtain assurances that additional resources provided to improve performance are adequate