

OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT BOARD

Date and Time:- Wednesday 2 July 2025 at 10.00 a.m.

Venue:- Rotherham Town Hall, The Crofts, Moorgate Street, Rotherham. S60 2TH

Membership:- Councillors Steele (Chair), Bacon (Vice-Chair), Allen, Baggaley, Blackham, Brent, A. Carter, Keenan, McKiernan, Monk, Tinsley and Yasseen.

This meeting will be webcast live and will be available to view [via the Council's website](#). The items which will be discussed are described on the agenda below and there are reports attached which give more details.

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AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive the apologies of any Member who is unable to attend the meeting.

2. Minutes of the previous meeting held on 4 June 2025 (Pages 5 - 16)

To consider the minutes of the previous meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board held on 4 June 2025 and to approve them as a true and correct record of the proceedings and to be signed by the Chair.

3. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest from Members in respect of items listed on the agenda.

4. Questions from Members of the Public and the Press

To receive questions relating to items of business on the agenda from members of the public or press who are present at the meeting.

5. Exclusion of the Press and Public

To consider whether the press and public should be excluded from the meeting during consideration of any part of the agenda.

Items for Pre-Decision Scrutiny

In accordance with the outcome of the Governance Review in 2016, the following items are submitted for pre-scrutiny ahead of the Cabinet meeting on 7 July 2025. Members of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board are invited to comment and make recommendations on the proposals contained within the report.

6. Council Plan 2022-2025 and Year Ahead Delivery Plan Progress Update 2024-25 (Pages 17 - 190)

Report from the Assistant Chief Executive.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Note the overall position in relation to the Year Ahead Delivery Plan activities.
2. Note the Quarter 4 data for the Council Plan performance measures.
3. Note that the Council has been using a new Council Plan from June 2025 with this being the final report for the 2022-25 Council Plan.

7. Ethical Procurement Policy (Pages 191 - 232)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet:

1. Formalise the support of the UK Steel Charter as the successor to the Sustainable British Steel Charter.
2. Approve the updated Ethical Procurement Policy for 2025.

8. Financial Outturn 2024-25 (Pages 233 - 278)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations

That Cabinet:

1. Note the revenue outturn position for 2024/25.
2. Note the budgeted transfer to HRA reserves increased by £4.4m following the revenue and capital outturn positions.

3. Note the carry forward of the combined surplus schools balance of £2.3m in accordance with the Department for Education regulations.
4. Note the reserves position set out in paragraphs 2.52 to 2.57.
5. Note the capital outturn, funding position and programme variations as set out in paragraphs 2.58 to 2.91.
6. Approve the capital budget variations as detailed in section 2.79 to 2.82 of the report.
7. Note the position on CRSTS Revenue Grant as set out in paragraphs 2.92 to 2.94 and delegate the decision to allocate and spend the remaining grant to the Assistant Director Planning Regeneration and Transport in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and the Cabinet Member.

9. Treasury Management Outturn 2024-25 (Pages 279 - 298)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet note the Treasury Management Prudential Indicators outturn position as set out in Section 2 and Appendix 1.

10. May 2025-26 Financial Monitoring Report (Pages 299 - 316)

Report by the Strategic Director of Finance and Customer Services.

Recommendations:

That Cabinet

1. Note the current General Fund Revenue Budget forecast underspend of £0.1m.
2. Note the updated position of the Capital Programme.

For Information/Monitoring:-

11. Work Programme (Pages 317 - 319)

To consider the Board's Work Programme.

12. Work in Progress - Select Commissions

To receive updates from the Chairs of the Select Commission on work undertaken and planned for the future.

13. Forward Plan of Key Decisions

To review and identify items for pre-decision scrutiny from the Forward Plan of Key Decisions.

Link to: [Browse plans - Forward Plan of Key Decisions, 2025 - Rotherham Council](#)

14. Call-in Issues

To consider any issues referred for call-in from recent Cabinet meetings.

15. Urgent Business

To determine any item which the Chair is of the opinion should be considered as a matter of urgency.

The next meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Management Board will be held on Tuesday 9 September 2025 commencing at 10.00 a.m. in Rotherham Town Hall.



John Edwards,
Chief Executive.