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Date: 27 August 2026

Committee:
Finance and Improvement Overview and Scrutiny Committee

Date: Monday, 7 September 2026
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: The Council Chamber, The Guildhall, Frankwell Quay, Shrewsbury, SY3 8HQ

You are requested to attend the above meeting. The Agenda is attached

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Richard Phillips
Service Director – Legal and Governance (Monitoring Officer)

Members of Finance and Improvement Overview and Scrutiny Committee

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1. *Use a civil and constructive tone in debate*
2. *Act with integrity, honesty and compassion*
3. *Behave respectfully towards others, including those I disagree with*

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AGENDA

1 Apologies for Absence

2 Disclosable Interests

Members are reminded that they must declare their disclosable pecuniary interests and other registrable or non-registrable interests in any matter being considered at the meeting as set out in Appendix B of the Members' Code of Conduct and consider if they should leave the room prior to the item being considered. Further advice can be sought from the Monitoring Officer in advance of the meeting

3 Minutes (Pages 1 - 6)

Members are asked to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 8 June 2026.

4 Public Question Time

To receive any questions from members of the public, notice of which has been given in accordance with Procedure Rule 14. Deadline for notification is not later than 12 noon on Tuesday 1 September 2026.

5 Members' Question Time

To receive any questions from Members of the Council. Deadline for notification is not later than 12 noon on Tuesday 1 September 2026.

6 Exceptional Financial Support: External Assurance Review

To share the report of an 'Assurance Review' undertaken by the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) as part of the arrangements associated with the Council receiving Exceptional Financial Support (EFS) from the Government.

Contact – Duncan Whitfield, Interim Executive Director (S151)

This item is a recent addition to the agenda and with the permission of the Chairman, the report will follow

7 Cornovii Developments Ltd

To receive a paper that considers options for the Council's future relationships with Cornovii Developments Ltd (CDL).

Contact – Duncan Whitfield, Interim Executive Director (S151)

The Chairman has given permission for the report to follow to ensure the most up to date information is available to the Committee

8 Financial Monitoring Report Quarter 1 2026/27

To consider the Quarter 1 Financial Monitoring Report update on the Council's financial position for the current financial year 2026/27 and identify any recommendations or observations to share with Cabinet, and any topics to be considered or adding to the Committee's work programme or to be referred to another committee.

Contact – Duncan Whitfield, Interim Executive Director (S151)

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9 Q1 Performance Report

To consider the Quarter 1 Corporate Plan Performance Report and identify any recommendations or observations to share with Cabinet, and any topics to be considered or adding to the Committee's work programme or to be referred to another committee.

Contacts: Paul Clarke, Service Director – Strategy & Change; Tom Dodds, Strategy & Scrutiny Manager

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10 Assets Member Briefing

To receive a briefing on the scope and nature of Shropshire Council's Assets, as well as Asset Management to help develop understanding of the topic and inform whether there are specific areas that the committee would like to include in their work programme or within their planned work.

Contacts: Kassandra Polyzoides, Interim Service Director – Place Shaping; Steve Law, Head of Property & Development

A presentation will accompany this item. The Chairman has agreed that due to staff absence and workload the presentation will follow the agenda.

11 Work Programme (Pages 7 - 10)

To consider proposals for the Committee's work programme 2026 – 2027 attached

Contact: Claire Braddock, Scrutiny Officer

12 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Monday 16 November 2026, but it is proposed to bring this forward to 12th October 2026.