



BROMSGROVE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MEETING OF THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY BOARD

TUESDAY 21ST JULY 2026

AT 6.00 P.M.

PARKSIDE SUITE - PARKSIDE

MEMBERS: Councillors S. Ammar, A. Bailes, J. Clarke, A. M. Dale,
C.A. Hotham, B. Kumar, R. E. Lambert, P. M. McDonald,
S. A. Robinson, J. D. Stanley and H. D. N. Warren-Clarke

AGENDA

1. **Election of Chairman**
2. **Election of Vice Chairman**
3. **Apologies for Absence and Named Substitutes**
4. **Declarations of Interest and Whipping Arrangements**

To invite Councillors to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests they may have in items on the agenda, and to confirm the nature of those interests.

5. **First Homes Policy Review - Pre-Scrutiny**

This report will be published in a supplementary pack following Cabinet agenda publication.

6. **Use of Artificial Intelligence within Bromsgrove District Council** (Pages 7 - 36)

7. **Local Government Reform (LGR) Update** (Pages 37 - 44)

Additional information will be published in a supplementary pack for this item.

8. **Bromsgrove Sports and Leisure Centre Update** (Pages 45 - 152)

9. **Worcestershire Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee - Election of Representative for 2026/27 and Update** (Pages 153 - 154)

10. **Finance and Budget Working Group - Membership Reports and Terms of Reference** (Pages 155 - 160)

11. **Cabinet Work Programme** (Pages 161 - 168)

12. **Overview and Scrutiny Board Work Programme** (Pages 169 - 172)

13. **Overview and Scrutiny Action Sheet** (Pages 173 - 174)

14. **To consider any urgent business, details of which have been notified to the Assistant Director Legal Democratic and Procurement Services prior to the commencement of the meeting and which the Chairman, by reason of special circumstances, considers to be of so urgent a nature that it cannot wait until the next meeting.**

15. **To consider, and if considered appropriate, to pass the following resolution to exclude the public from the meeting during the consideration of item(s) of business containing exempt information:-**

RESOLVED: that under Section 100 I of the Local Government Act 1972, as amended, the public be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Part I of scheme 12A to the Act, as amended, the relevant paragraph of that part, in each case, being as set out below and that it is in the public interest to do so:-

Item No	Paragraph
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16. **Levelling Up Fund Programme - Quarterly Update** (Pages 175 - 190)
17. **To confirm the accuracy of the minutes of the meeting of the Overview and Scrutiny Board held on 14th April and 16th June 2026** (Pages 191 - 208)

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13th July 2026

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