



**Committee:** OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

**Date:** WEDNESDAY, 21 JANUARY 2026

**Venue:** MORECAMBE TOWN HALL

**Time:** 6.00 P.M.

Councillors are reminded that as Members of Overview and Scrutiny they may not be subjected to the Party Whip, which is prohibited under the Lancaster City Council Constitution.

## A G E N D A

**1. Apologies for Absence**

**2. Minutes**

To receive as a correct record the Minutes of the Meeting held on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2025 (previously circulated).

**3. Items of Urgent Business authorised by the Chair**

**4. Declarations of Interest**

To receive declarations by Councillors of interests in respect of items on this Agenda.

Councillors are reminded that, in accordance with the Localism Act 2011, they are required to declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which have not already been declared in the Council's Register of Interests. (It is a criminal offence not to declare a disclosable pecuniary interest either in the Register or at the meeting).

Whilst not a legal requirement, in accordance with Council Procedure Rule 9 and in the interests of clarity and transparency, Councillors should declare any disclosable pecuniary interests which they have already declared in the Register, at this point in the meeting.

In accordance with Part B Section 2 of the Code Of Conduct, Councillors are required to declare the existence and nature of any other interests as defined in paragraphs 8(1) or 9(2) of the Code of Conduct.

**5. Pre-Decision Scrutiny Protocol (Pages 3 - 10)**

Overview and Scrutiny Committee Report and Appendices submitted to Cabinet on 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2025 are attached.

At Cabinet, the Leader informed the meeting that the Pre-Decision Scrutiny Protocol had been withdrawn but it would be revisited to ensure that a comprehensive protocol would be adopted (Minute 72 refers).

Councillor Caroline Jackson, Leader of the Council and Councillor Sally Maddocks, Cabinet Member with Responsibility, have been invited to the meeting for this item.

**6. Government Waste Strategy Delivery (Pages 11 - 13)**

**7. Discussion regarding the Fit for Future Workshop**

**8. Forthcoming Key Decisions**

The List of Forthcoming Key Decisions can be viewed [here](#)

**9. City Council Commissioned Consultations**

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**10. Decisions the Chair has been consulted on**

The Chair to advise.

**11. Work Programme (Pages 14 - 19)**

Report of Chief Officer – Governance.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ARRANGEMENTS**

**(i) Membership**

Councillors Martin Gawith (Chair), Chris Hanna (Vice-Chair), Suhir Abuhajar, Wilson Colley, Maria Deery, Gina Dowding, Sue Penney, Joyce Pritchard and John Wild

**(ii) Substitute Membership**

Councillors Ross Hunter, Isabella Metcalf-Riener, Catherine Potter, James Sommerville and Jackson Stubbs

**(iii) Queries regarding this Agenda**

Please contact Jenny Kay, Democratic Support - email [jkay@lancaster.gov.uk](mailto:jkay@lancaster.gov.uk).

**(iv) Changes to Membership, substitutions or apologies**

Please contact Democratic Support email [democracy@lancaster.gov.uk](mailto:democracy@lancaster.gov.uk).

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