

County Council Report July 2025

Meetings

Cabinet 18 June 2025

Available at https://gloucestershire.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/996056

Public questions on buses.

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=110205>

Councillor questions on

Social value

Inclusion and the prioritisation of high academic attainment

The absence of figures for the % of unclassified roads where maintenance should be considered.

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=110206>

Report from Fire Scrutiny Committee

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=109853>

Fire Scrutiny Committee recommended, unanimously, that the change to the shift pattern for full-time fire fighters be abandoned. This was noted by cabinet and the issue has been referred for arbitration.

Finance, performance and risk monitoring report

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=109609>

An explanation of the Council's financial position at the end of the financial year 2024/25.

Community and Adult Skills Programme

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=109834>

Recommends the investment of £2.7m into Community Learning and Adult Skills Programmes during 2025-2026.

Cabinet- SEND Joint Commissioning Strategy 2025-2030

Approved the strategy regarding joint commissioning with partners.

The new policy is available here:

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=109836>

GFRS Officer Response Vehicle

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=109613>

Agreed to acquire 20 new vehicles at cost of £863k.

Procurement of fire pumping appliances.

<https://gloucestershire.moderngov.co.uk/mgConvert2PDF.aspx?ID=109614>

Agreed to the acquisition of 15 new Fire Engine Pumping Appliances including restricted access sized vehicles for Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue over the 4-year period commencing 1st July 2025 at a cost of £6.1m

Gloucestershire Schools Forum 19th June

https://gloucestershire.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/996074

This meeting discussed the considerable financial pressures in relation to education and, in particular, for those with higher needs.

Constitution Committee 26th June 2025

https://gloucestershire.public-i.tv/core/portal/webcast_interactive/996073

Discussion about administrative matters and the structure of the Full Council meeting.

Other Matters

Consultation on Community 20s and Safer Roads Initiatives

Parishes and towns will be asked to express their interest on two issues

1. Whether they would like to be considered for Community 20s on some roads within your area, (yes or no), and
2. Whether there are other (higher speed) roads that you feel would benefit from a reduction in speed limit where they currently have safety concerns (yes or no).

Feedback will be requested to be returned by 19 September with confirmation of the date or meeting at which the matter was considered.

Summer Activities

Gloucestershire County Council's summer Holiday Activities and Food Programme is open for booking from the 30th June.

Holiday school meal vouchers are available for those eligible for benefits-related free school meals. Applications are open from 24th June to the 8th July.

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/gloucestershire-county-council-news/news-june-2025/get-ready-to-book-free-activities-for-children-this-summer/>