

# **CABINET – 13TH MARCH 2019**

SUBJECT: CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR - EDCUATION AND CORPORATE SERVICES

#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek Cabinet endorsement of the Forward Work Programme for the period March to May 2019.

### 2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The report outlines a proposed Forward Work Programme of future Cabinet reports.
- 2.2 The Forward Work Programme is updated on a weekly basis to reflect any amendments that are made to it since it was first agreed on 22nd January 2014.

#### 3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

- 3.1 The Council is required to publish a Cabinet Forward Work Programme to assist in open and transparent decision-making.
- 3.2 The Forward Work Programme contributes to the following Well-being goals within the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2015, by ensuring that decision making is made against the following goals:
  - A prosperous Wales
  - A resilient Wales
  - A healthier Wales
  - A more equal Wales
  - A Wales of cohesive communities
  - A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language
  - A globally responsible Wales

# 4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 The Cabinet Forward Work Programme sets out the key reports that Cabinet expects to receive in the coming months. It is a legal requirement that such programmes are published. The programme is an important way of tracking progress against targets set in the Council's Improvement Plan.
- 4.2 Appendix 1 to this report sets out details of the Cabinet Forward Work Programme for the period March to May 2019.
- 4.3 It should be noted that urgent and unanticipated reports could be added to the Cabinet Work Programme.

4.4 Members will be aware that, following the Scrutiny review and recommendations approved by Council on 6th October 2015, that it was agreed that the format of the Forward Work Programme will be reviewed so that it gives more detailed narratives. This has been undertaken and presented at Appendix 1.

### 5. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS

5.1 This report contributes to the Well-being Goals as set out in Links to Strategy above. It is consistent with the five ways of working as defined within the sustainable development principle in the Act in that it ensures that the Cabinet Forward Work Programme is regularly published and publically available, thus informing the public and stakeholders of upcoming reports and key issues and offering them the opportunity to attend and observe executive decisions, thus promoting openness and transparency.

### 6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

6.1 The principles of good governance are directly linked to the Council's Strategic Equality Objectives, stemming from duties under the Equality Act 2010 (Statutory Duties) (Wales) Regulations 2011 and the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011. Equalities Implications are a standard part of all committee reports in order to ensure that due consideration has been given to the views of individuals and groups from the communities of Caerphilly county borough, regardless of their backgrounds and circumstances.

### 7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

## 8. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no personnel implications associated with this report.

### 9. CONSULTATIONS

9.1 There are no consultation responses that have not been reflected in this report.

#### 10. RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 It is recommended that Cabinet approve the Forward Work Programme as outlined in Appendix 1.

# 11. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 To satisfy legislative requirements and to ensure more transparent and effective decision-making.

### 12. STATUTORY POWER

12.1 Local Government Acts 1972 and 2000.

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Appendices: Appendix 1

Cabinet Forward Work Programme