

ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 29TH OCTOBER 2019

SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND CORPORATE SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To report the Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.

2. SUMMARY

2.1 Forward Work Programmes are essential to ensure that Scrutiny Committee agendas reflect the strategic issues facing the Council and other priorities raised by Members, the public or stakeholder.

3. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

3.1 That Members consider any changes and agree the final forward work programme prior to publication.

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 To improve the operation of scrutiny.

5. THE REPORT

- 5.1 The Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee forward work programme includes all reports that were identified at the scrutiny committee meeting on Tuesday 17th September, 2019. The work programme outlines the reports planned for the period October 2019 to March 2020.
- 5.2 The forward Work Programme is made up of reports identified by officers and members. Members are asked to consider the work programme alongside the cabinet work programme and suggest any changes before it is published on the council website. Scrutiny committee will review this work programme at every meeting going forward alongside any chances to the cabinet work programme or report requests.
- 5.3 The Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1, which presents the current status as at 21st October 2019. The Cabinet Work Programme is attached at Appendix 2. A copy of the prioritisation flowchart is

attached at Appendix 3 to assist the scrutiny committee to determine what items should be added to the forward work programme.

5.4 Conclusion

The work programme is for consideration and amendment by the scrutiny committee prior to publication on the council website.

6. **ASSUMPTIONS**

6.1 No assumptions are necessary.

7. LINKS TO RELEVANT COUNCIL POLICIES

7.1 The operation of scrutiny is required by the Local Government Act 2000. The Local Government Wales Measure 2011 and subsequent Statutory Guidance include requirements to publicise the work of scrutiny committees. The operation of scrutiny committee forward work programmes was agreed following decisions by Council in October 2013 and October 2015.

7.2 **Corporate Plan 2018-2023.**

Scrutiny Committee forward work programmes contributes towards and impacts upon the Corporate Well-being Objectives by ensuring that the Executive is held to account for its Corporate Objectives, which are:

Objective 1 - Improve education opportunities for all

Objective 2 - Enabling employment

Objective 3 - Address the availability, condition and sustainability of homes throughout the county borough and provide advice, assistance or support to help improve people's well-being

Objective 4 - Promote a modern, integrated and sustainable transport system that increases opportunity, promotes prosperity and minimises the adverse impacts on the environment

Objective 5 - Creating a county borough that supports a healthy lifestyle in accordance with the sustainable Development Principle within the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Objective 6 - Support citizens to remain independent and improve their well-being

8. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS

- 8.1 This report contributes to the well-being goals and is consistent with the five ways if working as defined within the sustainable development principle in that by ensuring the scrutiny function is effective when reviewing services and policies and ensure is considers the wellbeing goals.
- 8.2 The Forward Work Programmes contribute to the following Well-being Goals within the Wellbeing of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2016 by ensuring there is an effective scrutiny function and that council policies are scrutinised 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

9. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no specific equalities implications arising as a result of this report.

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

10.1 There are no specific financial implications arising as a result of this report.

11. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

11.1 There are no specific personnel implications arising as a result of this report.

12. CONSULTATIONS

12.1 There are no consultation responses that have not been included in this report.

13. STATUTORY POWER

- 13.1 The Local Government Act 2000.
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Consultees: Mark S. Williams, Interim Corporate Director of Communities Robert Tranter, Head of Legal Services/ Monitoring Officer Lisa Lane, Head of Democratic Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer, Legal Services Councillor Tudor Davies, Chair of Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Councillor Adrian Hussey Vice Chair of Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee

Appendices:

- Appendix 1 Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme
- Appendix 2 Cabinet Forward Work Programme
- Appendix 3 Forward Work Programme Prioritisation Flowchart

APPENDIX 1

Forward Work Programme - Environment & Sustainability							
Date	Title	Key Issues	Author	Cabinet Member			
29/10/2019	Public Space Protection Order relating to Dog Control	Cabinet 6/917 resolved not to exclude dogs from all council owned marked sports/playing pitches on a seasonal basis, but to revisit this issue on following impact assessments of provisions.	Hartshorn, Robert	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned			
29/10/2019	Civil Parking Enforcement Implementation Update	CPE was implemented on the 8th April following transfer of powers from Gwent Police. The report provides an update on progress with implementation and future considerations.	Lloyd, Marcus	Cllr. Morgan, Sean			
29/10/2019	Information Item - Budget Monitoring Report	The report notes that the services face significant ongoing financial pressures due to the requirement to achieve budget savings in support of the Councils medium term financial plan. Overall the Directorate is presently projecting over spend of £3k, but exclusive of ring fenced budgets this over spend is increased to £14k. Appendices 1a to 1d provide more detail on the budget variation projections for each Service Division. In line with the Councils reserves protocol, general revenue underspends not subject to specific ring fencing are appropriated to Directorate strategic reserves and Council working balances on a 50/50 basis, however any Directorate over spends will appropriated to Service Directorate reserves in full and will require funding from previous years reserve balances where they exist or future years revenue budgets.	Eedy, Michael	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned			
10/12/2019	Medium-Term Financial Plan (Environment & Sustainability)		Williams, Mark S	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned			
11/02/2020	Performance Management		Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara			
11/02/2020	Metro Plus Update and Metro CVL (Core Valley Line) Progress	The Cardiff Capital Region City Deal provides a significant investment into the transportation infrastructure of the region. This report provides an update of progress to date within the region and specifically any Caerphilly related projects.	Lloyd, Marcus	Cllr. Morgan, Sean			
11/02/2020	Green Infrastructure Strategy		Hartshorn, Robert	Cllr. Morgan, Sean			

APPENDIX 2

	Forward Work Programme - Cabinet						
Date	Title	Key Issues	Author	Cabinet Member			
30/10/2019	Chartist Gardens - Development Options	To seek approval of the development proposal and associated financial model prior to submitting scheme for planning approval.	Couzens, Shaun; Williams, Mark	Cllr. Phipps, Lisa			
13/11/2019	20/21 Draft Budget Proposals	To discuss the draft budget proposals	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara			
13/11/2019	Funding Formula for Cwm Rhymni	To consider proposals to change the current funding arrangements for YGG Cwm Rhymni and the possible funding sources.	Richards, Sue	Cllr. Marsden, Philippa			
13/11/2019	European Social Fund Operation - Inspire to Achieve (ISA)	To seek approval from CMT to deliver Inspire to achieve as part of a regional operation lead by Blaenau Gwent CBC	Richards, Sue	Cllr. Marsden, Philippa			
13/11/2019	Integrated Wellbeing Hubs	To provide an update to Cabinet	Street, Dave	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J			
13/11/2019	(9) Structured programme of service reviews to be agreed	Strategic Action Plan - item to be agreed.	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara			
13/11/2019	(11) Commercial and Investment Strategy to be drafted and approved by Cabinet	Strategic Plan - item to be approved	Harrhy, Christina	Cllr. Jones, Barbara			
27/11/2019	Renewable Energy Generation - Tredomen Campus	To present a basket of options to Cabinet for achieving carbon neutrality at the Tredomen Campus	Williams, Mark	Cllr. Morgan, Sean			
27/11/2019	Waste and Recycling Collection Systems	To advise Cabinet of the findings of the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Waste Review Working Group and to seek Cabinet approval for recommendations relating to the Authority's waste and recycling services. To recommend the allocation of £370k Regeneration Project Board Development	Hartshorn, Robert	Cllr. George, Nigel			
27/11/2019	Regeneration Board - Project Proposals	Funds towards two previously endorsed and re-evaluated projects, namely Llanbradach and Ystrad Mynach Park & Ride schemes	Kyte, Rhian	Cllr. Morgan, Sean			
27/11/2019	Making of a Compulsory Purchase Order - Land and buildings at Woodside Terrace, Hafod-yr-ynys	For Cabinet to authorise the making of a Compulsory purchase Order to acquire land and buildings known as 1-20 Woodside Terrace, 1 & 2 Woodside Shops and Yr Adfa at Hafod-yr-ynys Road together with ancillary rights to achieve compliance with the Air Quality Direction 2019 and the EU Ambient Air Quality Directive (2008/50/EC) in the shortest possible time.	Godfrey, Maria	Clir. Stenner, Eluned			
27/11/2019	Cabinet Forward Work Programme	For discussion and update	Tranter, Robert J	Cllr. Jones, Barbara			
15/01/2020	Community Asset Transfer Policy to be finalised and approved by Cabinet (16- #Team Caerphilly Strategic Action Plan)	Approval by Cabinet of Community Asset Transfer Policy	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Phipps, Lisa			
15/01/2020	Community Sport - Regional agenda Develop a Consultation and Engagement Framework to support	To consider future delivery options for community sport on a regional (pan "Gwent") basis.) Lougher, Jared	Cllr. George, Nigel			
15/01/2020	empowered communities to come on this journey with us (17- #Team Caerphilly Strategic Action Plan)	To approve the consultation and engagement framework	Harrhy, Christina; Peters, Kathryn	Cllr. Jones, Barbara			
15/01/2020	Corporate Volunteering	To consider our options for the establishment of a Corporate Volunteering Scheme on a Directorate or Whole Organisation basis.	Peters, Kathryn; Street, Dave	Clir. Cuss, Carl J			

29/01/2020	Caerphilly County Borough Council's Strategic Equality Plan 2020- 2024	To seek approval of the Strategic Equality Plan 2020-2024 to be formally adopted a Council Policy.	s Cullinane, Anwen	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
29/01/2020	Proposed Use of Reserves	To consider proposals for the use of reserves.	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
12/02/2020	Heads of the Valleys Masterplan	The report is seeking the view of members prior to its presentation to Cabinet, where Cabinet will be asked to endorse the Draft Masterplan as the basis for a public consultation exercise.	Kyte, Rhian	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned
11/03/2020	EAS Business Plan		Cole, Keri	Cllr. Marsden, Philippa
	Hafodyrynys Air Quality Direction - Compulsory Purchase Order Process	To obtain Cabinet agreement on the Compulsory Purchase process on Hafodyryny: Road.	s Godfrey, Maria	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned

Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme Prioritisation

