



## **HOUSING AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 26TH JANUARY 2021**

**SUBJECT: HOUSING AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE  
FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

**REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND  
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### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To report the Housing and Regeneration 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 Housing and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee forward work programme includes all reports that were identified at the scrutiny committee meeting on 13th October 2020. The work programme outlines the reports planned for the period January 2021 to April 2021.
- 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 changes to the cabinet work programme or report requests.

- 5.3 The Housing and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1, which presents the current status as at 18<sup>th</sup> January 2021. 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.

## 5.2 **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.**

This section shows how the report content (project, proposal, information or decision) contributes towards or impacts the Corporate Well-being 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

The objectives are high level themes and each have several outcomes that sit underneath them, (36 in total) so it may benefit the author to look at the outcomes within the plan to understand the cross-cutting nature of the Council's priorities with regard to any impact the report may have on the Corporate Plan.

## **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 Well-being 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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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Housing and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme  
Appendix 2 Cabinet Forward Work Programme  
Appendix 3 Forward Work Programme Prioritisation Flowchart