

SPECIAL PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 1ST NOVEMBER 2022

SUBJECT: GWENT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD DRAFT WELL-BEING

PLAN- 2023-2028

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND CORPORATE

SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To provide to Partnerships Scrutiny Committee, as a statutory consultee, the consultation draft of the Gwent Public Services Board Well-being Plan 2023-2028, for consideration and comment.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Gwent Public Services Board (PSB) has developed its draft well-being plan for the region. The attached report was presented to the Gwent PSB at its meeting of the 29th September 2022. A verbal update on comments received will be provided.
- 2.2 Partnerships Scrutiny Committee, as the relevant local authority overview and scrutiny committee are a statutory consultee for the local well-being plan under Section 43 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.
- 2.3 The draft well-being plan is framed around three high-level well-being objectives and will be underpinned by work across the region to embed eight 'Marmot' principles designed to reduce inequity between populations across a range of determinants of well-being.
- 2.4 The draft well-being plan is subject to a formal 12-week public and stakeholder consultation, commencing October 2022.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 That Members of the Committee consider and comment upon:
 - The proposal to adopt the Marmot framework as the underlying basis of the PSB Well-being Plan.
 - The wellbeing objectives and associated activities

• The proposed linkage between the Gwent PSB wellbeing plan and the council's emerging corporate plan

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 To allow Partnerships Scrutiny Committee to discharge their responsibilities under Section 35 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 having regard to the Welsh Government Guidance for Local Authority Scrutiny Committees on the scrutiny of Public Services Boards.

5. THE REPORT

- 5.1 The Gwent Public Services Board has developed the draft well-being plan for the area following the production of an assessment of local well-being using a range of data for the region, and public and stakeholder consultation. The local assessment of well-being has informed the development of the draft plan and was presented to scrutiny committee on the 27th of January this year, since when officers have been collaborating regionally to develop the Gwent Well-being Plan. The draft well-being plan is the first well-being plan of the regional Public Services Board and sets out the well-being objectives of the PSB and the steps it intends to take to meet those objectives.
- 5.2 The plan must be published within 12 months of an ordinary election i.e. the 5th May 2023 and must be subject to a number of formal consultation and approval processes. Partnerships Scrutiny Committee are a formal statutory consultee under Section 43 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.
- 5.3 The attached report was presented to the Gwent Public Services Board at its meeting of the 29th September 2022. A verbal report on comments received will be provided to Committee.
- 5.4 In developing the draft well-being objectives for the region:
 - We want to create a fair and equitable Gwent for all.
 - We want to create a Gwent that has friendly, safe and confident communities.
 - We want to create a Gwent where the natural environment is protected and enhanced.

the Gwent PSB have responded to the data and analysis in the local assessment of well-being. Within the draft plan are the proposed 'steps' to be taken to meet the objectives over the five-year term of the plan.

- 5.5 Committee will also note that the Gwent PSB is working with the Institute of Health Equity, based at University College London, on a proposal for the region to become a Marmot region. Becoming a Marmot region would involve embedding activity aimed at reducing inequality and inequity between populations under eight principles:
 - 1. Give every child the best start in life
 - 2. Enable all children, young people, and adults to maximise their capabilities and have control over their lives
 - 3. Create fair employment and good work for all
 - 4. Ensure a healthy standard of living for all
 - 5. Create and develop healthy and sustainable places and communities
 - 6. Strengthen the role and impact of ill-health prevention

- 7. Tackle racism, discrimination, and their outcomes
- 8. Pursue environmental sustainability and health equity together
- 5.6 As local elected members it will be important to note that the future generations legislation expects that individual member bodies will contribute to the PSB's plans and work to support its objectives. As such the new corporate plan for the Council will be cognisant of both the proposed well-being objectives and the Marmot principles.
- 5.7 The well-being plan will be revised and refined following the statutory consultation period which runs from the 1st of October to the 31st of December.

5.8 Conclusion

The views of Partnerships Scrutiny Committee are important in refining the draft wellbeing plan. A similar scrutiny consultation process is being followed in each of the five local authorities in the region.

6. ASSUMPTIONS

6.1 There are no assumptions made in this report.

7. SUMMARY OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 The appended draft well-being plan is a high-level regional document and therefore not subject to the impact assessment process in use in Caerphilly County Borough Council.
- 7.2 Subsequent to the development and agreement of the regional plan work will begin on a local plan for the county borough area that will support the Gwent well-being objectives and consider any specific local delivery considerations.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no financial implications in this report.

9. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no personnel implications in this report.

10. CONSULTATIONS

10.1 This report has been sent to the consultees listed below and all comments received are reflected in this report.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 Section 35 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

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Background papers: Welsh Govt guidance on the scrutiny of Public Services

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Appendices:

Appendix 1: Report to Gwent Public Services Board 29th September 2022- Draft Gwent

Well-being Plan

Appendix 2: Draft Gwent Well-being Plan Autumn 2022