

## CABINET - 16TH APRIL 2014

SUBJECT: SPEED MANAGEMENT STRATEGY EVALUATION AND REVIEW

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151

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- 1.1 The report, which detailed the evaluation and review of the current adopted Speed Management Strategy, and sought the views and support of Members on the proposed recommendations contained therein, was considered by the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 1st April 2014.
- 1.2 The covering report to the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee is attached, and Members are asked to bring with them the detailed Appendices which were included when the report was presented on 1st April 2014.
- 1.3 Members were advised that the existing Speed Management Strategy was adopted in May 2009, with the main aim making a positive contribution to casualty reduction and encourage slower speeds. In response to a number of issues raised by Members, the Strategy had been reviewed and evaluated, and a number of changes recommended in order to incorporate current legislation and national guidance.
- 1.4 Following discussion on the content of the report, the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee unanimously recommended to Cabinet that for the reasons contained therein:-
  - (i) The Speed Management Strategy be amended to include the new Road Safety Framework for Wales casualty reduction targets, reflect the change to the Wales Road Casualty Reduction Partnership name and current practice/ liaison regarding road traffic matters with Gwent Police and other changes as a result of legislation and changes as detailed in Appendix C of the report;
  - (ii) The use of an advisory 20mph speed limit be included where a mandatory speed limit cannot be promoted;
  - (iii) Bidding continue for Safe Routes in Communities funding and Road Safety Grant, and 20mph limits and zones be included in the form where they can be supported and satisfy the existing Speed Management Strategy criteria:
  - (iv) The Speed Management Strategy continue to be used as an efficient and effective approach to speed management on roads in Caerphilly County Borough;
  - (v) Other road safety concern sites for vulnerable people (e.g. playgrounds) be reviewed and assessed as part of the duties under the Active Travel (Wales) Act.
- 1.5 Members are asked to consider the recommendations.

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Appendices: Appendix 1 Report to Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee on 1st April 2014 – Agenda Item 7(1)