



CABINET – 16TH APRIL 2014

SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTH EAST WALES ADOPTION SERVICE

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR SOCIAL SERVICES

- 1.1 The attached report was considered by the Health, Social Care and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee on 11th February 2014. The report provides an update on the development of the regional South East Wales Adoption Service, which is a key policy strand for the Welsh Government and is referenced within the Social Services & Well-Being (Wales) Bill currently proceeding through Parliament. Members previously received a report on developments in September 2013, when it was confirmed that the regional service would be hosted by Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council and plans were in place for the service to be operational from 1st April 2014.
- 1.2 Following consideration and discussion, it was moved and seconded that the recommendation in the report be endorsed. By a show of hands this was unanimously endorsed and it was further recommended that the report be referred to Cabinet.
- 1.3 Cabinet Members are asked to consider the following recommendations: -
 1. That the progress made to date is endorsed and supported by Cabinet.
 2. That authority is given to proceed with the operational delivery of the regional Adoption Service.

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Appendices:

Appendix: Report to Health Social Care and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee dated 11th February 2014 - Agenda item 7(5).