



## **PLANNING COMMITTEE – 4<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2015**

**SUBJECT: WELSH GOVERNMENT ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

**REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR - COMMUNITIES**

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### **1. PURPOSE OF REPORT**

- 1.1 To advise members of the Planning Committee of the content of the Annual Performance Report (APR) which is to be sent to Welsh Government, and outlines the performance of the Planning service over the financial year 2014-15.

### **2. SUMMARY**

- 2.1 Welsh Government has introduced the annual performance report as a result of the “Positive Planning” consultation it carried out in December 2013. They consulted on a series of proposals for measuring the performance of key stakeholders in the planning service, including local planning authorities, and proposed that stakeholders should prepare an annual report, discussing how their organisation had performed against the indicators, identifying what it had done well so that this can be shared with others, and what steps might be taken to address areas of performance in need of improvement. The first reports are due in November 2015.

### **3. LINKS TO STRATEGY**

- 3.1 This report is linked to the Council’s strategy for the living environment, and sustainable development, and the provision of an efficient and effective Planning service will help secure the visions of a more prosperous, safer and greener Caerphilly found in the Single Integrated Plan.

### **4. THE REPORT**

- 4.1 The APR is attached as an appendix to this report.

### **5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 The equalities implications of this report in itself are limited, but the provision of an efficient and effective Planning service includes taking account of the needs of all stakeholders, and is an ongoing consideration.

### **6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 None

### **7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 None.

## **8. CONSULTATIONS**

Pauline Elliott - Planning  
Tim Stephens - Planning  
Rhian Kyte - Planning.

## **9. RECOMMENDATIONS**

9.1 That the attached report is forwarded to Welsh Government.

## **10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS**

10.1 As set out in the report.

## **11. STATUTORY POWER**

Town and Country Planning Act 1990 as amended, and the Planning (Wales) Act 2015.

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Appendices:  
Appendix 1