

CABINET – 9TH DECEMBER 2015

SUBJECT: CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR OF CORPORATE SERVICES AND SECTION 151 OFFICER

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To seek Cabinet endorsement of the Forward Work Programme for the period December 2015 to March 2016.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The report outlines a proposed Forward Work Programme of future Cabinet reports.
- 2.2 The Forward Work Programme is updated on a monthly basis to reflect any amendments that are made to it since it was first agreed on 22nd January 2014.
- 2.3 A more detailed Forward Work Programme will be reviewed during this period and a more detailed format will be developed.

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

3.1 The Council is required to publish a Cabinet Forward Work Programme to assist in open and transparent decision-making.

4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 The Cabinet Forward Work Programme sets out the key reports that Cabinet expects to receive in the coming months. It is a legal requirement that such programmes are published. The programme is an important way of tracking progress against targets set in the Council's Improvement Plan.
- 4.2 Appendix 1 to this report sets out details of the Cabinet Forward Work Programme for the period June to September 2015.
- 4.3 It should be noted that urgent and unanticipated reports could be added to the Cabinet Work Programme.
- 4.4 Members will be aware that, following the Scrutiny review and recommendations approved by Council on 6th October 2015, that it was agreed that the format of the Forward Work Programme will be reviewed so that it gives more detailed narratives. This will be undertaken before March 2016.

5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The principles of good governance are directly linked to the Council's Strategic Equality Objectives, stemming from duties under the Equality Act 2010 (Statutory Duties) (Wales) Regulations 2011 and the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011. Equalities Implications are a standard part of all committee reports in order to ensure that due consideration has been given to the views of individuals and groups from the communities of Caerphilly county borough, regardless of their backgrounds and circumstances.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no personnel implications associated with this report.

8. CONSULTATIONS

8.1 There are no consultation responses that have not been reflected in this report.

9. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet approve the Forward Work Programme as outlined in Appendix 1.

10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 To satisfy legislative requirements and to ensure more transparent and effective decisionmaking.

11. STATUTORY POWER

- 11.1 Local Government Acts 1972 and 2000.
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Appendices: Appendix 1

Cabinet Forward Work Programme