



CABINET - 14TH DECEMBER 2016

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 January 2017 to March 2017.

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.

3.1 This section would highlight how the recommended course of action contributes to the following Well-being Goals within the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2016:

- *A more equal Wales.*

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 January to March 2017.

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 has been undertaken and presented at Appendix 1.

5. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS

- 5.1 This report contributes to the Well-being Goals as set out in Links to Strategy above. It is consistent with the five ways of working as defined within the sustainable development principle in the Act in that it ensures that the Cabinet Forward Work Programme is regularly published and publically available, thus informing the public and stakeholders of upcoming reports and key issues and offering them the opportunity to attend and observe executive decisions, thus promoting openness and transparency.

6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 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.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no financial implications associated with this report.

8. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 There are no personnel implications associated with this report.

9. CONSULTATIONS

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

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

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

11. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 To satisfy legislative requirements and to ensure more transparent and effective decision-making.

12. STATUTORY POWER

- 12.1 Local Government Acts 1972 and 2000.

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Appendices:
Appendix 1 Cabinet Forward Work Programme

CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME: JANUARY TO MARCH 2017		
18TH JANUARY 2017	Key Issues	Cabinet Member
Welsh Language 5-Year Strategy Strategaeth 5 Mlynedd yr Iaith Gymraeg	The Welsh Language Standards require the authority to produce a 5 year Welsh language strategy that sets out a target to maintain, or improve, the number of Welsh speakers in the area and the steps that will be taken to achieve the target. The strategy has been developed with local partners but must be adopted by the local authority.	Councillor
Treasury Management - Review of MRP Policy. Rheolaeth Y Trysorlys – Adolygiad o’r Polisi Isafswm y Ddarpariaeth Refeniw.	This report will set out options for revising the Minimum Revenue Provision (MRP) Policy to identify potential savings to support the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP).	Councillor B. Jones
1ST FEBRUARY 2017	Key Issues	Cabinet Member
Well Being Assessment Asesiad Lles	The local assessment of well-being is a key Public Services Board document that must be published by early May 2017. The local authority will have a statutory duty to contribute to the PSBs objectives which will follow in the subsequent Well-being Plan	Councillor B. Jones

15TH FEBRUARY 2017	Key Issues	Cabinet Member

1ST MARCH 2017	Key Issues	Cabinet Member

15TH MARCH 2017	Key Issues	Cabinet Member
Rhymney 3-18 All Through School	To apprise Members of the outcome of the consultative process to establish a Rhymney 3-18 All Through School and determine whether to proceed to publish a statutory notice.	Councillor D. Hardacre
Cabinet Forward Work Programme	To seek Cabinet endorsement of the Forward Work Programme for the period April 2017 to June 2017.	Councillor C. Forehead