



COUNCIL – 24TH JANUARY 2017

SUBJECT: LOCAL WELL-BEING ASSESSMENT FOR THE COUNTY BOROUGH AREA

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR – SOCIAL SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To inform Council that the Caerphilly Public Services Board has published its draft Assessment of Local Well-being for final consultation.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The draft Assessment of Local Well-being (Well-being Assessment) was approved by the Public Services Board on the 6th December 2016. The Well-being Assessment, which was prepared by the Corporate Policy Unit on behalf of the Public Services Board, is part of the requirements set out in the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The Assessment has been developed by considering the known data for the area and consulting extensively on residents perceptions of well-being, now and in the future. It highlights a number of emerging trends that will be the focus of objective setting and planning across public services. The subsequent Well-being Plan will be developed over the 16 month period leading up to May 2018.
- 2.2 The Authority is required to set its own corporate Well-being Objectives that maximise the contribution to the 7 Well-being Goals for Wales. These should be informed by the Well-being Assessment and subsequent Plan.

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

- 3.1 The production of the draft Well-being Assessment is a requirement of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. It is structured around the 7 Well-being Goals, and identifies issues that relate to each of the 7 Goals:

- *A prosperous Caerphilly*
- *A resilient Caerphilly*
- *A healthier Caerphilly*
- *A more equal Caerphilly*
- *A Caerphilly of cohesive communities*
- *A Caerphilly of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language*
- *A globally responsible Caerphilly.*

4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 The draft Well-being Assessment was approved by the Caerphilly Public Services Board on the 6th December 2016. The Assessment was prepared by the Corporate Policy Unit on

behalf of the Public Services Board. Caerphilly Public Services Board is required to prepare a local assessment of well-being for the area that looks at its economic, environmental, cultural and social situation. The Well-being Assessment will be used to inform planning across the public sector to deliver 'The Caerphilly We Want' and meet the national Well-being Goals for Wales.

- 4.2 The Assessment will be used to set the Public Services Board's own Well-being Objectives and the Well-being Plan for the area. The assessment has been developed by consulting extensively with our communities to gather their views on the well-being of the area, now and in the future. This engagement is supported by the relevant data for the county borough to paint a rich picture of life in the area. It highlights a number of emerging trends that will be the focus of objective setting and planning across public services.
- 4.3 The draft Assessment has been sent for comment to all stakeholders who were involved in its preparation. Elected Members have been consulted as representatives of the communities in the area. It has also been sent to those others identified in Section 38 of the Act as statutory consultees. This consultation process will close on the 31st January 2017. The subsequent Well-being Plan will be developed over the 16 month period leading up to May 2018.

5. WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS

- 5.1 This report relates to the draft local Well-being Assessment which is a requirement of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. It is structured around the 7 Well-being Goals, and identifies issues that relate to each goal.

It is consistent with the five ways of working as defined within the sustainable development principle in the Act in that it is:

- Long-term – It identifies issues that will affect the county borough over the next 25 years.
- Preventative – It sets out preventative action and how acting to prevent problems occurring, or getting worse, will improve local well-being.
- Integrated – It considers how the issues may impact upon each of the well-being goals, and how these are interrelated.
- Collaborative – The Assessment was prepared in collaboration with PSB organisations, and other bodies and groups with an interest in the well-being of the area. It identifies how acting in collaboration could help improve local well-being.
- Involvement – The Assessment was prepared involving people and organisations with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area.

6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

- 6.1 Promoting equalities is a fundamental requirement of the Future Generations legislation, with specific resonance for meeting the well-being goals of - *A more Equal Wales*, and *A Wales of Cohesive Communities*.

7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no financial implications related to this report.

8. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

- 8.1 Officers within the Council's Corporate Policy Unit have played a key part in driving forward the assessment of local well-being under the leadership of Caerphilly PSB, working closely with partner organisations. This work will continue into the Local Well-being Plan.

9. CONSULTATIONS

- 9.1 This report has been sent to the Consultees listed below and all comments received are reflected in this report.

10. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 10.1 That Council notes that the Caerphilly Public Services Board has published its draft Assessment of Local Well-being for final consultation. Further that all Elected Members have been asked to provide any comment on its content by the 31st of January 2017.

11. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

- 11.1 For the reasons set out in the report.

12. STATUTORY POWER

- 12.1 Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

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Shaun Watkins, Principal Human Resources Officer
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Background papers:

Link to Draft Caerphilly Local Well-being Assessment (please note this is a large document)

<https://your.caerphilly.gov.uk/publicservicesboard/content/well-being-assessment>