



REGENERATION AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 14TH FEBRUARY 2017

**SUBJECT: REGENERATION AND ENVIRONMENT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE
FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

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

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To report the Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme

2. SUMMARY

2.1 Forward Work Programmes are essential to ensure that Scrutiny Committee agendas reflect the strategic issues facing the Council and other priorities raised by Members, the public or stakeholders.

3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

3.1 The operation of scrutiny is required by the Local Government Act 2000 and subsequent Assembly legislation.

4. THE REPORT

4.1 The Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee forward work programme includes all reports that were identified at the scrutiny committee meeting on 13th December 2016. The work programme outlines the reports planned for the period February 2017 to July 2017.

4.2 The forward work programme is made up of reports identified by officers and members and has been prioritised into three priority areas, priority 1, 2 or 3. Members are asked to consider the work programme alongside the cabinet work programme and suggest any changes before it is published on the council website. Scrutiny committee will review this work programme at every meeting going forward alongside any changes to the cabinet work programme or report requests.

4.3 The Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1. The Cabinet Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 2.

5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 There are no specific equalities implications arising as a result of this report.

6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no specific financial implications arising as a result of this report.

7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

7.1 There are no specific personnel implications arising as a result of this report.

8. CONSULTATIONS

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

9. RECOMMENDATIONS

9.1 That Members consider any changes and agree the final forward work programme prior to publication.

10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

10.1 To improve the operation of scrutiny.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 The Local Government Act 2000.

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Consultees: Gail Williams, Interim Head of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer
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Appendices:
Appendix 1 Regeneration and Environment Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme
Appendix 2 Cabinet Work Programme

APPENDIX 1

Regeneration & Environment Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme February 2017 to July 2017			
Meeting Date: 14 February 2017			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Parking and Speed Enforcement (Members Request)	To discuss with the Chief Constable Gwent Police policies priorities and resource requirements associated with parking and speed enforcement		Chief Constable Jeff Farrar
Review of Street Lighting Changes (P2)	A briefing report to encompass the possible and actual effects of the most recent installation of LED (gear-tray replacement) Street Lighting in CBC	<p>The key elements of the report cover the following aspects of this investment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Energy, Financial & Materials savings • Environmental & Maintenance savings • Light pollution • Public response • Possible future trends in Accident & Criminal occurrences 	Terry Shaw
Communities First	To advise members on the current position with regards to Communities First Funding	To ensure members are aware of the current WG developments in relation to the Communities First programme and are fully informed on the potential impact.	David Whetter Tina McMahon
Environment Budget Update (P1)	Briefing report in relation to Service Revenue Budget Monitoring for 2016/17.	Service provision and delivery remaining within budget funding for the financial year and highlighting any ongoing budget pressures	Mike Eedy

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Meeting Date: 28 March 2017			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Environment Act – Ecology Plan	To update committee on the preparation of a plan.	The Council’s compliance with the biodiversity and resilience of ecosystems duty required by the Act.	Christina Harray Tim Stephens
Inspection of Coal Tips	Committee Request	An overview of the inspection regime, responsibility and health and safety requirements in respect of Coal Tips in the County Borough.	Terry Shaw

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Meeting Date: 23 May 2017			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Vibrant Viable Places Proposal (P3)	To consult on the Viable Vibrant Places (VVP) grant bid proposals.	The report will outline the Welsh Government (WG) VVP funding criteria and submission timetable which currently waits to be published. It will detail the bid being made by CCBC for funding to engage the local community in a range of social, environmental and economic projects.	Awaiting for confirmation from WG. Anticipated the following officers will attend: Tina McMahon Jane Roberts-Waite Dave Whetter
Car Parking Review	To bring forward report and recommendations of the task and finish group.	To be determined from the task and finish group outcomes.	Terry Shaw Chair of Task and Finish Group
Road Speed Review (P2)	To explain the Speed review process to Members and advise of the outcomes and way forward.	Highlight those stretches of the Council's highway network that will be changing speed restrictions.	Terry Shaw Clive Campbell

Meeting Date: 4th July 2017			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Leisure Review Proposals (P4)	To update the Committee on the outcome of the Sport & Leisure Review (s) agreed by the Committee at its June 2016 meeting.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Completion of BIP review and findings/ outcomes. • Next steps in terms of adoption of strategy by the Authority. 	Mark S Williams

(Key P1,2,3,4 – Priority 1,2,3 or 4)

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15TH FEBRUARY 2017	Key Issues	Service Area
<p>Budget Proposals 2017/18 and Medium-Term Financial Strategy 2017/22</p> <p>Cynigion Cyllideb 2017/18 a Strategaeth Cyllidol Tymor-Canolig 2017/22</p>	<p>To seek Cabinet endorsement of final 2017/18 budget proposals prior to consideration by Council on the 22nd February 2017.</p>	<p>Corporate Finance</p>
<p>Proposed Licensing Fees for Scrap Metal Dealers and Dog Breeders</p> <p>Ffioedd Trwyddedu Arfaethedig ar gyfer Masnachwyr Metel Sgrap a Bridwyr Cŵn</p>	<p>To note the review of fees for Scrap Metal Dealers and Dog Breeders licences and to seek approval for a revised fee structure for 2017/18.</p>	<p>Public Protection</p>
<p>“Business Enterprise and Innovation” Project - Regional Application for EU Structural and Investment Funds ERDF Priority 4 Objective 4</p> <p>Prosiect “Arloesi a Menter Busnes” - Cais Rhanbarthol ar gyfer Cronfeydd Strwythurol a Buddsoddi UE, ERDF Blaenoriaeth 4 Amcan 4</p>	<p>Cabinet approval to engage in a collaborative regional project that seeks grant funding under the European Regional Development Fund Priority 4, Strategic Objective 4 for expansion of the Lawns Industrial Estate, Rhymney.</p>	<p>Communities</p>
<p>Carbon Reduction Initiatives - Capital Allocation</p> <p>Mentrau Lleihau Carbon - Dyranid Cyfalaf</p>	<p>To seek Cabinet approval for capital budget allocation to carbon reduction initiatives to increase the provision of solar panels at schools and to pilot the use of electric vehicles for Council business.</p>	<p>Public Protection</p>

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1ST MARCH 2017	Key Issues	Service Area
<p>Corporate Plan (Well-Being Objectives)</p> <p>Cynllun Corfforaethol (Amcanion Llesiant)</p>	<p>To present to Cabinet (1st March 2017) the Council's draft Corporate Plan for 2017/18 and to seek the views and approval of Cabinet prior to its presentation to Council on 7th March 2017.</p>	<p>Public Protection</p>
<p>Junior and Youth Forum Priorities 2017</p> <p>Blaenoriaethau'r Fforwm Iau a'r Ieuenctid 2017</p>	<p>To inform Members of issues raised by Children & Young People via the Youth Service's Junior and Youth Forums.</p>	<p>Education</p>
<p>Bryn Brithdir, Oakdale Business Park – Renewal of CCBC and WG Joint Venture Agreement</p> <p>Bryn Brithdir, Parc Busnes Oakdale– Adnewyddu Cytundeb Menter ar y Cyd CBSC a LIC</p>	<p>To seek approval for the terms of the Joint Venture agreement with WG in relation to allocation of rental income received by the Council for Units 1-4 Bryn Brithdir, Oakdale Business Park.</p>	<p>Communities</p>
<p>Unit 21 Lawn Industrial Estate, Rhymney – Lease Renewal to the Furniture Revival, GC Enterprises (Wales) Ltd</p> <p>Uned 21 Ystâd Ddiwydiannol Lawn, Rhymni – Adnewyddu Prydles i'r Furniture Revival, GC Enterprises (Cymru) Cyf</p>	<p>To seek approval for the terms of the a new lease arrangement at a peppercorn rent with The Furniture Revival</p>	<p>Communities</p>

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15TH MARCH 2017	Key Issues	Service Area
Rhymney 3-18 All Through School Rhymni 3 - 18 Ysgol Gydol Oed	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.	Education
Cabinet Forward Work Programme Blaenraglen Waith y Cabinet	To seek Cabinet endorsement of the Forward Work Programme for the period April 2017 to June 2017.	Democratic Services
Payment for Annual Leave Tâl am Wyliau Blynnyddol	To consider payment for Annual Leave.	Human Resources
WHQS Re-profiling and Associated Capital Programme Rhaglen Gyfalaf Cysylltiedig ag Ail-broffilio SATC	To review progress with the implementation of the WHQS Programme, re-profile over the remaining years, where necessary, and set out a capital programme budget for 2017/18.	Housing Services
Proposed Admission Arrangements Trefniadau Derbyn Arfaethedig	To consider proposed changes to the Councils admission arrangements for the 2018/19 academic year	Education
Education Capital Programme Rhaglen Gyfalaf Addysg	To consider the school bids and recommendations for the allocation of funds against the different component parts of the 2017-18 Education capital programme	Education
29TH MARCH 2017	Key Issues	Service Area

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12TH APRIL 2017	Key Issues	Service Area

26TH APRIL 2017	Key Issues	Service Area
Annual Equalities Report Adroddiad Cydraddoldeb Blynyddol	<p>The Council has a statutory duty to produce an annual monitoring report on Equalities issues under current legislation. The requirements are very detailed as to what relevant information must be included in the annual monitoring and improvement report.</p> <p>The information presented is to ensure that the regulatory body involved (the Equalities and Human Rights Commission) is provided with full evidence of the Council's compliance and commitment to the statutory duty.</p>	Policy and Central Services

24TH MAY 2017	Key Issues	Service Area

7TH JUNE 2017	Key Issues	Service Area

21ST JUNE 2017	Key Issues	Service Area
Rhymney 3-18 All Through School Rhymni 3 - 18 Ysgol Gydol Oed	To make a final decision on the proposal to establish a Rhymney 3-18 All Through School.	Education
EAS Business Plan Cynllun Busnes GCA	This report presents the South East Wales Education Achievement Service (EAS) Business Plan.	Education

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CABINET AS TRUSTEES OF BLACKWOOD MINERS INSTITUTE		
2ND AUGUST 2017	Key Issues	Service Area
Blackwood Miners' Institute progress report and update on 2017/2018 Budget Adroddiad Datblygiad Sefydliad y Glowyr Coed Duon a Diweddariad Cyllid 2017/2018	To update Cabinet as Trustees on progress against the activity programme and work plan for Blackwood Miners Institute for the current year.	Economic Development