

# POLICY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 27TH FEBRUARY 2018

# SUBJECT: POLICY AND RESOURCES 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 Policy and Resources 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. The Forward Work Programmes contribute to the following Well-being Goals within the Well-being of Future Generations Act (Wales) 2016 by ensuring there is an effective scrutiny function and that council policies are scrutinised against the following goals:
  - A prosperous Wales
  - A resilient Wales
  - A healthier Wales
  - A more equal Wales
  - A Wales of cohesive communities
  - A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language
  - A globally responsible Wales

## 4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 The Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee forward work programme includes all reports that were identified at the scrutiny committee meeting on 16th January 2018. The work programme outlines the reports planned for the period April 2018 to June 2018.
- 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 Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1. The Cabinet Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 2.

## 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 that by ensuring the scrutiny function is effective when reviewing services and policies and ensure it considers the wellbeing goals.

## 6. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

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

## 7. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

## 8. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

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

## 9. CONSULTATIONS

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

## 10. **RECOMMENDATIONS**

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

## 11. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

11.1 To improve the operation of scrutiny.

## 12. STATUTORY POWER

- 12.1 The Local Government Act 2000.
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## Appendices:

- Appendix 1 Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.
- Appendix 2 Cabinet Work Programme.