



POLICY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 12TH MARCH 2019

SUBJECT: POLICY AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND CORPORATE SERVICES

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. RECOMMENDATIONS

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

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 To improve the operation of scrutiny.

5. THE REPORT

5.1 The Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee forward work programme includes all reports that were identified at the scrutiny committee meeting on 15th January 2019. The work programme outlines the reports planned for the period March 2019 to April 2019.

5.2 The forward work programme is made up of reports identified by officers and members. 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.

5.3 The Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1. The Cabinet Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 2.

5.4 **Conclusion**

The work programme is for consideration and amendment by the scrutiny committee prior to publication on the council website.

6. **ASSUMPTIONS**

6.1 No assumptions are necessary.

7. **LINKS TO RELEVANT COUNCIL POLICIES**

7.1 The operation of scrutiny is required by the Local Government Act 2000. The Local Government Wales Measure 2011 and subsequent Statutory Guidance include requirements to publicise the work of scrutiny committees. The operation of scrutiny committee forward work programmes was agreed following decisions by Council in October 2013 and October 2015.

7.2 **Corporate Plan 2018-2023.**

Scrutiny Committee forward work programmes contributes towards and impacts upon the Corporate Well-being Objectives by ensuring that the Executive is held to account for its Corporate Objectives, which are:

Objective 1 - Improve education opportunities for all

Objective 2 - Enabling employment

Objective 3 - Address the availability, condition and sustainability of homes throughout the county borough and provide advice, assistance or support to help improve people's well-being

Objective 4 - Promote a modern, integrated and sustainable transport system that increases opportunity, promotes prosperity and minimises the adverse impacts on the environment

Objective 5 - Creating a county borough that supports a healthy lifestyle in accordance with the sustainable Development Principle within the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Objective 6 - Support citizens to remain independent and improve their well-being

8. **WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS**

8.1 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

9. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS

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

10. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

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

11. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

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

12. CONSULTATIONS

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

13. STATUTORY POWER

13.1 The Local Government Act 2000, The Local Government (Wales) Measure 2011.

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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Policy and Resources Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme

Appendix 2 Cabinet Forward Work Programme

Policy & Resources Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme March 2019 to April 2019			
Meeting Date: 12th March 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Allocations/Tenancy Enforcement Report			Shaun Couzens – Chief Housing Officer
WAO WHQS update			Shaun Couzens – Chief Housing Officer
WHQS Re-Profiling			Shaun Couzens – Chief Housing Officer
Chartist Gardens Development Pontllanfraith			Mark Williams

Meeting Date: 12th March 2019 – Information Reports			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Treasury Management and Prudential Indicator Monitoring Report – Quarter 3	To update members in respect of Treasury management issues in the light of performance indicators	To ensure members receive information in respect of Treasury management in accordance with best practice	Nadeem Akhtar

Cabinet - Forward Work Programme

Wednesday - 13/03/2019 Cabinet & PDM					
Title	Key Issues	Author	Cabinet Member	Time	Attendees
Reprofiling of WHQS Programme and HRA Capital Programme 2019/20	To seek Cabinet endorsement of the re-profiling of the final stages of the WHQS programme to ensure full compliance by the December 2020 deadline.	Paul Smythe	Cllr. Lisa Phipps		
Flexible Retirement	Formal agreement for the period of flexible retirement to be changed	L Donovan	Cllr. Colin Gordon		
Education Attainment Strategy		Richard Edmunds	Cllr. Philippa Marsden		
EAS Business Plan		EAS	Cllr. Philippa Marsden		
Post 16/ Single Sex Review Terms of Reference		Richard Edmunds	Cllr. Philippa Marsden		
Schools Capital Programme	To make recommendations to Cabinet on the allocation of the Schools Capital Programme	Sue Richards	Cllr. Philippa Marsden		
Non- Residential Social Services Charging	To gain Cabinet approval for an updated policy of charging for non Residential Social Services as supported by HSCWB scrutiny on the 5/2/19	Jo Williams	Cllr. Carl Cuss		
Wednesday - 27/03/2019 Cabinet & PDM					
Hafodyrynys Air Quality Feasibility Study	To present for approval for public consultation the draft Final Plan prepared in response to the Air Quality Direction issued by Welsh Government in respect of compliance with the EU Air Quality Directive at Hafodyrynys	Rob Hartshorn	Cllr. Eluned Stenner		
New Community Resource Centre at Ty Sign	To seek Cabinet support in principle for the development of a new Community	Rob Hartshorn	Cllr. Nigel George		
Welsh Church Fund	To provide an update on the revised grant levels and criteria approved by Cabinet on 28th March 2018 and to determine whether further revisions are required.	Stephen Harris	Cllr. Barbara Jones		
Food Hygiene Rating (Wales) Act 2013- Proposed Increase in Re-Rating Fee	To seek Cabinet approval for an increase in the food hygiene re-rating visit fee.	Michele Wehden			
Publication of the Gender Pay Gap Data 2018	To meet the statutory obligation to publish CCBC data by the 30th March each year in accordance with the Equality Act 2010	Lynne Donovan	Cllr. Colin Gordon		
Proposed Increases in Fees and Charges	To propose increases in fees and charges across a range of services and consider principles for future years	Richard Edmunds	Cllr. Barbara Jones		