



ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 17TH SEPTEMBER 2019

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

**REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR FOR EDUCATION AND CORPORATE
SERVICES**

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To report the Environment and Sustainability 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 stakeholder.

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 Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee forward work programme includes all reports that were identified at the scrutiny committee meeting on 25th June 2019. The work programme outlines the reports planned for the period September 2019 to March 2020.

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 Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme is attached at Appendix 1, which presents the current status as at 27th August 2019. The Cabinet Work Programme is attached at Appendix 2. A copy of the prioritisation flowchart is attached at Appendix 3 to assist the scrutiny committee to determine what items should be

added to the forward work programme.

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 This report contributes to the well-being goals and 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.

8.2 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.

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 Lisa Lane, Head of Democratic Services and Deputy Monitoring Officer, Legal Services
 Councillor Tudor Davies, Chair of Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee
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Appendices:

Appendix 1 Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme
 Appendix 2 Cabinet Forward Work Programme
 Appendix 3 Forward Work Programme Prioritisation Flowchart

APPENDIX 1

Meeting Date: 17th September 2019 (Performance Management)			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Performance Management Annual Report	To update the committee on the end of year (2018/19) performance of the communities directorate.	To provide the committee with a service by service breakdown of key performance information (spend, performance indicators and customer satisfaction) for Community and Leisure Services, Infrastructure services, Public protection, Regeneration and Planning.	Mark S Williams, Interim Corporate Director Communities Steve Harris, Interim Head of Business Improvement Services, Corporate Services
NOTICE OF MOTION Ban on Animals as prizes on Caerphilly County Borough land	The Environment and Sustainability Scrutiny Committee is asked to consider the Notice of Motion as set out in paragraph 5.1 of the report and make an appropriate recommendation to Council. In accordance with Rule 11(3) of the Constitution.	Councillor J. Pritchard requests in his Notice of Motion that Council: - (i) ban outright the giving of live animals as prizes, in any form, on Caerphilly County Borough Council land; (ii) write to the Welsh Government, urging an outright ban on the giving of live animals as prizes on both public and private land in Wales	Cllr Jamie Pritchard Chris O'Brien - RSPCA
Sale of land at Pontymister	To seek the scrutiny committee's views on the principle of selling an area of land at Pontymister for development purposes prior to consideration of the matter by cabinet.	The matter has been consulted on with local Risca members and 2 of the 5 members have raised objections to the proposed sale principle. While any development would be subject to planning considerations, the scrutiny committee's views are being sought on the principle of the sale prior to consideration by cabinet.	Timothy Broadhurst, Estates Manager, Property Services Mark S Williams, Interim Corporate Director Communities Mark Williams, Interim head of Property, Rhian Kyte, head of Regeneration and Planning.

Meeting Date: 29th October 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Public Space Protection Order relating to Dog Control	To consider the issue of dog fouling on sports pitches.	Cabinet 6/917 resolved not to exclude dogs from all council owned marked sports/playing pitches on a seasonal basis, but to revisit this issue on following impact assessments of provisions.	Rob Hartshorn, Head of Public Protection, Community and Leisure Services
Civil Parking Enforcement Implementation Update	To update members on the implementation of Civil Parking Enforcement (CPE)	CPE was implemented on the 8 th April following transfer of powers from Gwent Police. The report provides an update on progress with implementation and future considerations.	Marcus Lloyd, head of infrastructure

Meeting Date: 10th December 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Medium-Term Financial Plan			Mark S Williams, Interim Corporate Director Communities

Meeting Date: 11th February 2020			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Performance Management			<p>Mark S Williams, Interim Corporate Director Communities</p> <p>Steve Harris, Interim Head of Business Improvement Services, Corporate Services</p>
Metro Plus Update and Metro CVL (Core Valley Line) Progress	To provide members with an update of progress with the Cardiff Capital Region Metro Plus and Core Valley Line programme of development.	The Cardiff Capital Region City Deal provides a significant investment into the transportation infrastructure of the region. This report provides an update of progress to date within the region and specifically any Caerphilly related projects.	Marcus Lloyd, head of infrastructure

Meeting Date: 24th March 2020			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses

Meeting Date: 17th September 2019 (Performance Management) – Information Reports

Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses
Information Report on end of year progress against Well-being Objective 4 (WBO4)	This is the end of the first year progress update relating to Well Being Objective 4.	To advise members what has gone well, what has gone less well and what the impact is of what we have done so far. For members to agree the judgements we make against our progress to date.	Marcus Lloyd, Head of Infrastructure

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Budget Monitoring Report			Michael Eedy, Finance Manager

Meeting Date: 10th December 2019			
Subject	Purpose	Key Issues	Witnesses

Meeting Date: 11th February 2020			
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Meeting Date: 24th March 2020			
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Forward Work Programme - Cabinet				
Date	Title	Key Issues	Author	Cabinet Member
18/09/19	Looked After Children Targets	To appraise CMT of the authority's response to Welsh Government expectations around setting targets within Children's Services.	Street, Dave; Jenkins, Gareth	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J.
18/09/19	CCBC Corporate Safeguarding Report	To discuss the report and endorse the action plan.	Jenkins, Gareth	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J.
18/09/19	Social Services Reserves	To seek approval for use of Social Services Reserves	Jones, Mike J	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J.
18/09/19	Cabinet Forward Work Programme	For discussion and update.	Tranter, Robert J.	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
02/10/19	Updated Code of Corporate Governance and Terms of Reference	To approve the updated code	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
02/10/19	Authorisation of Officers in Public Protection- EU Exit	To inform Cabinet of changes to the legislation required as a result of the UK's exit from the European Union to ensure a seamless transition of Public Protection functions after this event. The Monitoring Officer will amend the constitution to reflect this change.	Hartshorn, Robert	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned;

02/10/19	Hafodyrynys Air Quality Direction - Compulsory Purchase Order Process	To obtain Cabinet agreement on the Compulsory Purchase process on Hafodyrynys Road.	Godfrey, Maria	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned
02/10/19	Pentrebane Street, Caerphilly - Possible use of CPO Powers	This report seeks Cabinet approval to instigate CPO proceedings on three freeholders of properties at Pentrebane Street that are identified for demolition to facilitate a mixed use regeneration scheme in partnership with Linc Housing Association. A mixture of Welsh Government Targeted Regeneration Investment funding, WG Social Housing Grant and Linc's own finances have been identified to fund the demolition and redevelopment.	Kyte, Rhian	Cllr. Morgan, Sean
02/10/19	National Development Framework Consultation Response	To seek Cabinet approval for a response to the consultation on the National Development Framework.	Kyte, Rhian	Cllr. Stenner, Eluned
02/10/19	ERDF 4.4 Funding opportunities - The Lawn Industrial Estate, Rhymney and Ty Du, Nelson	This report outlines the opportunities open to the Council to bid for additional ERDF monies for for each of these live European funded employment new build projects. The report requests the necessary match funding be made available to secure these additional funds.	Kyte, Rhian	Cllr. Morgan, Sean
16/10/19	Annual Improvement Report 2018/19	To present the Annual Improvement Report for 2018/19	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara

16/10/19	Annual Performance Report 2018	To discuss and present the draft Annual Performance Report	Roberts, Ros	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
16/10/19	Corporate Volunteering	To consider our options for the establishment of a Corporate Volunteering Scheme on a Directorate or Whole Organisation basis.	Peters, Kathryn; Street, Dave	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J.
16/10/19	Land at Pontymister Industrial Estate	The matter has been consulted on with local Risca members and 2 of the 5 members have raised objections to the proposed sale principle. While any development would be subject to planning considerations, the scrutiny committee's views are being sought on the principle of the sale prior to consideration by cabinet.	Williams, Mark	Cllr. Phipps, Lisa
16/10/19	Free Swim Initiative	Changes to Grant Funding to deliver the Welsh Government Free Swimming Initiative	Reynolds, Jeff	Cllr. George, Nigel
30/10/19	Future Management Arrangements - Cwmcarn Drive	For Cabinet to consider a partnership agreement with NRW in respect of future management arrangements for the re-opening of the forest drive.	Kyte, Rhian	Cllr. Morgan, Sean
30/10/19	Chartist Gardens - Development Options	To seek approval of the development proposal and associated financial model prior to submitting scheme for planning approval.	Couzens, Shaun; Williams, Mark	Cllr. Phipps, Lisa
30/10/19	Respite Care Provision	Possible relocation of current respite facilities to a bespoke facility dependent on funding from WG	Williams, Jo	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J.

30/10/19	Community Sport - Regional agenda	To consider future delivery options for community sport on a regional (pan "Gwent") basis.	Lougher, Jared	Cllr. George, Nigel
13/11/19	20/21 Draft Budget Proposals	To discuss the draft budget proposals	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
13/11/19	Proposed Use of Reserves	To consider proposals for the use of reserves.	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
13/11/19	Integrated Wellbeing Hubs	To provide an update to Cabinet	Street, Dave	Cllr. Cuss, Carl J.
13/11/19	(9) Structured programme of service reviews to be agreed	Strategic Action Plan - item to be agreed.	Harris, Stephen R	Cllr. Jones, Barbara
13/11/19	(11) Commercial and Investment Strategy to be drafted and approved by Cabinet	Strategic Plan - item to be approved	Harrhy, Christina	Cllr. Poole, David
27/11/19	Renewable Energy Generation - Tredomen Campus	To present a basket of options to Cabinet for achieving carbon neutrality at the Tredomen Campus	Williams, Mark	Cllr. Morgan, Sean
11/12/19	Cabinet Forward Work Programme	For discussion and update	Tranter, Robert J	Cllr. Jones, Barbara

Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme Prioritisation

