

CAERPHILLY COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

NOTICE OF THE DECISIONS FROM THE SOCIAL SERVICES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON MONDAY 1ST NOVEMBER 2021 AT 5.30 P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillors: C. Bezzina (Vice Chair), C. Bishop, D. Cushing (Chair), K. Etheridge, M. Evans, A. Gair, J. Gale, V. James, L. Jeremiah, S. Skivens, C. Thomas, W. Williams.

Councillor S. Cook (Cabinet Member for Social Services).

Co-opted Members: M. Jones, C. Luke and P. Cook

Officers: D. Street (Acting Chief Executive) G. Jenkins (Assistant Director - Children's Services), J. Williams (Assistant Director – Adult Services), M. Jones (Financial Services Manager) (C. Forbes-Thompson (Scrutiny Manager), E. Sullivan (Senior Committee Services Officer), S. Hughes (Committee Services Officer) J. Lloyd (Committee Services Officer), and J. Thomas (Committee Services Officer).

Also in attendance: M. Robotham and Cllr. C.P. Mann

APOLOGIES:

Councillors A. Angel, J. Bevan, D. Harse and A. Leonard.

The decisions and declarations of interest are set out below. For further details please refer to the relevant report.

ITEM	SUBJECT	DECISION	VOTE
2.	Declarations of Interest.	There were no declarations made.	N/A
3.	Minutes of the Social Services Scrutiny Committee held on the 13 th September 2021.	Approved as a correct record.	9 For 0 Against 0 Abstentions
4.	Consideration of any matter referred to this Committee in accordance with the call-in procedure.	No matters had been called in.	N/A
5.	Social Services Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.	RESOLVED that the Forward Work Programme as appended to the meeting papers be published on the Council's website.	9 For 0 Against 0 Abstentions
6.	To receive and consider the Cabinet report listed on the agenda.	The Cabinet report listed on the agenda had not been called forward for discussion at the meeting.	N/A
7.	To receive a Notice of Motion – Day Centres.	Following consideration of the Notice of Motion, amendments were moved and seconded and in the order they are proposed and the matter then progressed to vote by rollcall, verbal confirmation.	

		<p>Amendment 2 – The Combined Motion from Councillor Mann and Councillor Etheridge having been moved and seconded proceeded to the vote and by way of verbal confirmation was declared lost by the majority present.</p> <p>Amendment 1 – The Amended Motion from Councillor Mann with the removal of sentence 2 of paragraph 3 having been moved and seconded proceeded to the vote and by way of verbal confirmation was declared lost by the majority present.</p> <p>Substantive Motion – The Original Motion from Councillor Mann was not moved or seconded and was therefore declared lost.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Social Services Scrutiny Committee therefore RECOMMENDED to Council that the Notice of Motion not be supported.</p>	<p>4 For 8 Against 0 Abstentions</p> <p>4 For 8 Against 0 Abstentions</p> <p>N/A</p>
8.	Budget-Monitoring Report (Month 5)	<p>RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officers report,</p> <p>i. Members noted that the projected underspend of £671k against the Social Services Budget for 2021/22 (inclusive of transport costs) includes a number of non-recurring underspends attributable to the impact of the Covid 19 pandemic which mask an underlying increase in demand for social care along with significant inflationary pressures within the social care market.</p>	Noted
9.	Annual Corporate Safeguarding Report 2020 – 2021.	<p>RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officers Report and as outlined at the meeting,</p> <p>i. Members noted the content of the Annual Corporate Safeguarding Board Report and the progress made in implementing the Action Plan.</p>	Noted

10.	Social Services Covid-19 Position Statement.	RESOLVED that for the reasons contained in the Officers Report and as outlined at the meeting, i. Members noted the content of this report and the ongoing operational pressures experienced by Social Services as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic.	Noted
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