

PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 21ST JULY 2022

SUBJECT: CAERPHILLY PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD ANNUAL

REPORT 2021-2022

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR – EDUCATION AND CORPORATE

SERVICES

1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To update Members on the fourth and final annual report for the Caerphilly Public Services Board in its current guise, covering activity under the 'Caerphilly We Want Well-being Plan 2018-2023' for a seven month period from 1st October 2021.

1.2 Partnerships Scrutiny Committee are a statutory recipient of the report.

2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Public Services Board's annual report runs for the time period October 2021 to April 2022, and reflects progress on the enablers and action areas under the current 'Caerphilly We Want Well-being Plan 2018-2023' over that time period.
- 2.2 This year's report covers a seven month period, as opposed to the previously reported annual update. This alteration in reporting timescales is as a result of delays to previous reporting timelines due to the Covid pandemic.
- 2.3 While formally dissolved to pave the way for the subsequent creation of a Gwent Public Services Board, the Caerphilly PSB agreed to act as a residual body and to continue to drive and monitor progress against the current wellbeing plan's conclusion, and until it is superseded by the newly developed Gwent well-being plan in May 2023.

3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That Members note the contents of the Caerphilly Public Services Board's fourth and final Annual Report in its current guise on the progress made against the reports' enabler and action areas.

4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 To allow the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee to fulfil its functions under Section 35 of the relevant legislation.

5. THE REPORT

- 5.1 The Caerphilly Public Services Board's (PSB) fourth and final Annual Report in its current guise, highlights the progress partners have made against the 'Caerphilly We Want' Well-being Plan for 2018-2023.
- 5.2 The report for 2021-22 covers a seven month period from 1st October 2021, as previous reporting timelines (in 2020 and 2021) were altered as a result of the Covid pandemic.
- 5.3 The report highlights many examples of how all partners have continued to respond to the challenges that have presented themselves, not least the recovery phase of the pandemic as well as to deliver against the enabler and action areas within the Caerphilly We Want Well-being Plan 2018-2023.
- 5.4 Moving forward, while the creation of a Gwent Public Services Board provides a simplified and streamlined regional model, as well as closer alignment to other existing regional boards, Local Delivery Groups are established within each local authority area and will continue to deliver against the well-being objectives for Gwent at a Caerphilly specific, local level in future. Local Delivery Groups reflect the PSB membership, and the Caerphilly Local Delivery Group will be chaired by the Deputy Leader.
- 5.5 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act places a duty on Public Services Boards to produce an Assessment of Well-being every five years. Extensive work has taken place on an assessment process for the whole of Gwent, with delivery plans for the five local authority areas of Gwent also to be included within the plan. The Gwent well-being plan must be published by 5th May 2023.

5.6 Conclusion

Despite the recovery phase of the global Covid pandemic, the appended report shows that significant progress continues to be made by partners collaboratively, under the current well-being plan.

6. ASSUMPTIONS

6.1 There are no assumptions made in this report.

7. SUMMARY OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 This report sets out the progress made against the Caerphilly We Want Well-being Plan 2018-2023. It covers activity from October 2021 to April 2022.
- 7.2 The work of the residual Caerphilly Public Services Board is consistent with the five ways of working as set out in the sustainable development principle in the Act, since

it allows Partnerships Scrutiny Committee to consider how the actions of the Public Services Board are:

- Long Term Balancing short-term needs with the needs to safeguard the ability to also meet long-term needs
- Prevention Acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse to help public bodies meet their objectives
- Integration Considering how the well-being objectives may impact upon each of the well-being goals, or on the objectives of other public bodies
- Collaboration Acting in collaboration with any other person that could help the board to meet its well-being objectives
- Involvement Involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves.

8. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

8.1 There are no financial implications in this report.

9. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no personnel implications in this report.

10. CONSULTATIONS

10.1 This report has been sent to all consultees listed below and all comments received are reflected in this report.

11. STATUTORY POWER

11.1 Section 35 and 45 of the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015.

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Background Papers: None

Appendix 1: Caerphilly Public Services Board Annual Report 2021/2022