

# PARTNERSHIPS SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 21<sup>ST</sup> JULY 2022

SUBJECT: GWENT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD RESPONSE ANALYSIS

**UPDATE** 

REPORT BY: CORPORATE DIRECTOR – EDUCATION AND CORPORATE

**SERVICES** 

#### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To update Members on progress of the development of the Gwent Public Services Board's outline well-being objectives.

## 2. SUMMARY

- 2.1 The Gwent Public Services Board is required by the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act to produce a well-being plan, setting out local objectives and reasonable steps to meet those using the evidence from the well-being assessment.
- 2.2 Work has been undertaken to further develop the Gwent well-being plan with the Gwent PSB agreeing their broad outline objectives.
- 2.3 The final Gwent well-being plan, detailing the PSB's well-being objectives and the steps it will take to meet them, must be published by 5<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

#### 3. RECOMMENDATIONS

3.1 That Members note the contents of the Response Analysis update report provided to the Gwent PSB.

## 4. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS

4.1 To allow the Partnerships Scrutiny Committee to be aware of the process of developing the Gwent well-being plan so that it can fulfil its functions under Section 35 of the relevant legislation.

## 5. THE REPORT

- 5.1 The Gwent Public Services Board is required by the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act to produce a well-being plan, setting out local objectives and reasonable steps to meet those using the evidence from the well-being assessment.
- 5.2 As part of the development in March the Gwent PSB identified three broad areas to be considered in more detail as part of the response analysis phase. These were:
  - Community Cohesion (including Community Safety and Substance Misuse)
  - Environment (Climate and Nature emergencies)
  - Health and Well-being/Inequalities (including housing)
- 5.3 At their last meeting, in June, the Gwent PSB reviewed the responses analyses and confirmed that these were broadly the areas that they wanted to have as outline objectives.
- 5.4 Further work will continue to refine and develop the outline objectives to ensure that they are cross-cutting, holistic and collaborative. The Future Generations Commissioner's office will be providing advice and support to do this as part of their statutory function.
- 5.5 The Gwent PSB will agree the consultation draft of the well-being plan at their meeting at the end of September. There will then be a 12 week statutory consultation period.
- 5.6 The final Gwent well-being plan, detailing the PSB's well-being objectives and the steps it will take to meet them, must be published by 5th May 2023.

#### 6. ASSUMPTIONS

6.1 There are no assumptions made in this report.

## 7. SUMMARY OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT

- 7.1 This report provides an update on the development of the Gwent well-being plan.
- 7.2 The outline objectives of the Gwent Public Services Board are consistent with the five ways of working as set out in the sustainable development principle in the Act. They consider:
  - 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

Appendices: Gwent PSB Well-being Plan development - Response Analysis

Appendix 1 – Well-being Plan Timeline

Appendix 2a – Response Analysis Community Cohesion

Appendix 2b – Response Analysis Environment Appendix 2c – Response Analysis Health Inequalities