

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

**REPORT TO: THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE GWENT
PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: GWENT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE - 7TH JUNE, 2023**

REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC & COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR T. SMITH (BGCBC) (CHAIR)

Blaenau Gwent
Councillor E. Jones

Torfaen
Councillor D.H. Williams
Councillor S. Evans

Monmouthshire
Councillor P. Jones
Councillor A. Watts

Caerphilly
Councillor S. Williams

Newport CC
Councillor E. Corten
Councillor F. Hussain

WITH: Blaenau Gwent CBC
Andrew Parker
Liz Thomas

Torfaen CBC
Kathryn Peters
Rebecca Fahey-Jones
Lyndon Puddy

Monmouthshire CBC

Sharran Lloyd
Robert McGowan
Hazel Ilett

Caerphilly CBC

Catherin Forbes Thompson
Kathryn Peters
Matthew Gatehouse

Newport CC

Leanne Rowlands

South Wales Fire and Rescue Service

Steve O'Connell

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION
No. 1	<p><u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u></p> <p>It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.</p>	
No. 2	<p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>The following apologies for absence were reported:</p> <p>Stephen Tiley - GAVO Peter Farley - GAVO Steve Morgan - NRW Sarah King – Blaenau Gwent Scott Morris- South Wales Fire & Rescue Councillor Jen Morgan, J.P. – Gwent Fire & Rescue Authority</p>	
No. 3	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</p>	
No. 4	<p><u>GWENT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the decisions of the Committee held on</p>	

	<p>29th March, 2023.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the decisions be recorded as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
No. 5	<p><u>ACTION SHEET</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the Action Sheet.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the Action Sheet be noted.</p>	
No. 6	<p><u>DRAFT TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE GWENT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Democratic Services, Governance and Partnerships (Blaenau Gwent).</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the Draft Terms of Reference (Appendix 1) be agreed; (ii) it was agreed that the Chairperson for the first year (June 2023 – May 2024) would be a nominated representative from Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council, namely Councillor Tommy Smith (iii) it was agreed that the Vice-Chairperson for the first year (June 2023 – May 2024) would be a nominated representative from Caerphilly County Borough Council; namely, Councillor S. Williams (iv) the meetings would be held on a hybrid basis, taking into consideration the detail in paragraph 5.3 as follows, to be reviewed in 12 months. <p><i>“ It was further recommended that the Scrutiny Committee meetings are offered on a hybrid basis, with the option to hold the meetings in other Local Authority areas. It should be noted that if meetings are held in other Local Authority areas, the support arrangements for that meeting for the use of the systems within that Local Authority would need to be provided by the democratic services staff of that council, adhering to individual council’s Multi Location Meetings Policies”.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (v) Following agreement of 6.1 (iv), the Committee agreed the venue for the next meeting of the Gwent Public Services 	

Board Scrutiny Committee scheduled to be held on 6th September 2023.

No. 7 **GWENT PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD DRAFT PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK**

Consideration was given to the Draft Performance Management Framework.

The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and scrutinised the draft Performance Management Framework attached as Appendix 1 and provided feedback ahead of its discussion by the Gwent Public Services Board on 22nd June 2023.