

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO: THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE CORPORATE & PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

SUBJECT: CORPORATE & PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 22ND JUNE, 2023

REPORT OF: COMMITTEE AND DEMOCRATIC SUPPORT OFFICER

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR J. WILKINS (CHAIR)

Councillors J. Thomas (Vice-Chair)
J. Hill
J. Holt
E. Jones
R. Leadbeater
C. Smith
T. Smith

WITH: Interim Chief Executive
Chief Officer Resources
Head of School Improvement
Head of Democratic Services, Governance & Partnerships
Head of Organisational Development
Professional Lead for Strategic Partnerships
Service Manager – Policy and Partnerships
Service Manager – Performance and Democratic
Team Leader - Partnerships
Scrutiny and Democratic Officer
Communications/Press Officer

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION
No. 1	<u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u> It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service	

<p>No. 2</p>	<p><u>APOLOGIES</u></p> <p>An apology for absence was received from Councillor C Bainton.</p>	
<p>No. 3</p>	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations or dispensations were reported.</p>	
<p>No. 4</p>	<p><u>TIME OF FUTURE MEETINGS</u></p> <p>The Committee AGREED that future meetings be held at 10.00 a.m.</p>	
<p>No. 5</p>	<p><u>CORPORATE AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the decisions of the meeting held on 27th April, 2023.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the decisions be accepted as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
<p>No. 6</p>	<p><u>ACTION SHEET</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the Action Sheet.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the information therein be noted.</p>	
<p>No. 7</p>	<p><u>PROPOSED SCRUTINY COMMITTEE FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2023-24</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Scrutiny and Democratic Officer.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the Forward Work Programme for the Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee be agreed (Option 1).</p>	

<p>No. 8</p>	<p><u>BLAENAU GWENT ENGAGEMENT & PARTICIPATION STRATEGY</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Professional Lead for Strategic Partnerships.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the planning and consultation process for a new Engagement & Participation Strategy be noted and agreed to a joint Corporate Overview & Performance Scrutiny and Democratic Services Committees Workshop on 18th July 2023 to shape development of the initial Strategy. (Option 1)</p>	
<p>No. 9</p>	<p><u>WELSH LANGUAGE ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23 / ADRODDIAD BLYNYDDOL YR IAITH GYMRAEG 2022/23</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Democratic Services, Governance and Partnerships.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the Corporate Overview and Performance Scrutiny Committee to supported the draft Welsh Language Annual Report 2022/23, as presented. (Option 1).</p>	
<p>No. 10</p>	<p><u>FIRE SAFETY AT WORK POLICY</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Organisational Development.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and supported the Health and Safety compliance by recommending that Council approve the implementation of the Fire Safety Policy. (Option 1).</p>	