

**COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT**

**REPORT TO: THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE**

**SUBJECT: PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 17TH OCTOBER, 2023**

**REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC& COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER**

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**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR M. CROSS (CHAIR)**

Councillors R. Leadbeater (Vice-Chair)  
S. Behr  
K. Chaplin  
G. A. Davies  
J. Gardner  
W. Hodgins

**WITH:** Interim Chief Executive  
Corporate Director Regeneration & Community Services  
Chief Officer Resources  
Head of Community Services  
Service Manager Neighbourhood Services  
Service Manager Business Regeneration  
Team Manager Regeneration Opportunities  
Team Leader (IFS) Waste Compliance & Development  
Team Leader (IFS) Waste Operations  
Team Manager Frontline Enforcement  
Policy Officer Policy, Partnerships & Engagement  
Communications and Marketing Officer  
Scrutiny and Democratic Officer

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

<p><b>No. 2</b></p>	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b></p> <p>An apology for absence was received from L. Parsons.</p>	
<p><b>No. 3</b></p>	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST &amp; DISPENSATIONS</u></b></p> <p>The following declaration of interest was raised:-</p> <p><u>No. 8 – Abertillery Placemaking Plan</u> Councillor J. Holt, Trustee of Abertillery Institute</p>	
<p><b>No. 4</b></p>	<p><b><u>PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the decisions of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> September, 2023.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the decisions be accepted as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
<p><b>No. 5</b></p>	<p><b><u>ACTION SHEET</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the action sheet.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the action sheet be noted.</p>	
<p><b>No. 6</b></p>	<p><b><u>CLIMATE CHANGE, NET ZERO ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Interim Chief Executive.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the Committee considered the progress made and supported the report. (Option 1).</p>	

<b>No. 7</b>	<b><u>WASTE AND RECYCLING ANNUAL PERFORMANCE 2022-23</u></b>  Consideration was given to the report of the Service Manager Neighbourhood Services.  The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the information provided be noted (Option 1).	
<b>No. 8</b>	<b><u>ABERTILLERY PLACEMAKING PLAN</u></b>  Consideration be given to the report of the Team Manager Regeneration Opportunities.  The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and endorsed the Abertillery Placemaking Plan, its vision and core ambitions for the future. This would enable us to finalise the draft of the delivery plan and take steps towards the implementation of the projects that will be contained within it. (Option 2).	
<b>No. 9</b>	<b><u>FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME: 5TH DECEMBER 2023</u></b>  Consideration was given to the report.  The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the Scrutiny Committee agreed the Forward Programme for the meeting 5th December 2023, as presented. (Option 1).	