

**COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT**

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

**SUBJECT: PLACE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 31<sup>ST</sup> JANUARY, 2023**

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

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**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR R. Leadbeater (Vice-Chair in the Chair)**

Councillors P. Baldwin  
S. Behr  
J. Gardener  
J. Holt  
J.P. Morgan

**WITH:** Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services  
Head of Community Services  
Team Manager - Streetscene  
Team Manager – Regeneration Opportunities  
Team Manager – Commercial Services  
Team Leader – Built Environment  
Senior Homelessness Officer  
Team Leader – Housing Solutions Infrastructure Manager  
Team Manager – Trading Standards  
Service Manager – Community Services  
Service Manager – Development and Estates  
Team Leader – Environmental Protection  
Communications Officer  
Scrutiny and Democratic Officer

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<b><u>ITEM</u></b>	<b><u>SUBJECT</u></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.

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<p><b>No. 2</b></p>	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b></p> <p>The Vice-Chair reported that Councillor M. Cross, Chair who was currently in hospital following a heart attack. It was informed that Councillor Cross had undergone an operation and was doing well. The Committee wished Councillor Cross a speedy recovery.</p> <p>Another apology was received from Councillor J. Hill.</p>
<p><b>No. 3</b></p>	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></b></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</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 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2022.</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>REGENERATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES PERFORMANCE REPORT</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services.</p> <p>The Vice-Chair proposed that a positive step would be that tourism in Blaenau Gwent be further developed in the area.</p> <p>This proposal was seconded and AGREED by the Committee.</p> <p>The Committee thereupon AGREED that the report and information provided within the appendix be accepted and the aforementioned recommendation for improvement be considered by Cabinet (Option 1).</p>

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No. 7

**FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME: 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, 2023**

Consideration was given to the report of the Scrutiny and Democratic Officer.

The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and the Forward Programme for the meeting scheduled

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