

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO: THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

SUBJECT: CORPORATE AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 22ND JUNE, 2023

REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC & COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR J. WILKINS (CHAIR)

Councillors J. Thomas
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

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>SUBJECT</u>
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 INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</p>
<p>No. 4</p>	<p><u>TIME OF FUTURE MEETINGS</u></p> <p>The Committee AGREED the following:-</p> <p>Agenda Meeting – 9.30 a.m. Committee – 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>

No. 8	<p data-bbox="352 192 1007 277"><u>BLAENAU GWENT ENGAGEMENT & PARTICIPATION STRATEGY</u></p> <p data-bbox="352 322 1414 407">Consideration was given to the report of the Professional Lead for Strategic Partnerships.</p> <p data-bbox="352 452 1414 707">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>
No. 9	<p data-bbox="352 748 1198 792"><u>WELSH LANGUAGE ANNUAL REPORT 2022/23</u></p> <p data-bbox="352 837 1414 922">Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Democratic Services, Governance and Partnerships.</p> <p data-bbox="352 967 1414 1133">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>
No. 10	<p data-bbox="352 1178 938 1223"><u>FIRE SAFETY AT WORK POLICY</u></p> <p data-bbox="352 1267 1414 1352">Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Organisational Development.</p> <p data-bbox="352 1397 1414 1563">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>