

Scrutiny Task and Finish Group Template

In order to set up a Task and Finish Group please ensure that this template is completed in full. The relevant Scrutiny Committee will consider this information when deciding if the Group is required.

Scrutiny Committee	Regeneration Scrutiny Committee
Title of Working Group	Transport Strategy and Review Task and Finish Group
Is a Council Policy currently in place? If so, please state which one	There is no Blaenau Gwent Strategic Transport Strategy currently in place
Which Council Priority would the Working Group Support?	<p>The project supports the achievement of the Council's Corporate Plan 2020-22 Outcome Statements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protect and enhance our environment and infrastructure to benefit our communities; • Support a fairer sustainable economy and community; • To enable people to maximise their independence, develop solutions and take an active role in their communities.
Why is there a need to set up a Working Group?	To ensure effective oversight of the project and geographic coverage to understand issues and opportunities.
What is the Scope of the Working Group? What will be considered and what will not?	The Task and Finish Group will oversee the work of the consultants and provide input on their respective areas.
How will the aim of Working Group support the Sustainable Development Principles?	<p><u>Expected outcome for the public</u> The project aims to establish a vision and a series of actions that provide a 'road map' to a more sustainable and integrated transport offer for residents of Blaenau Gwent.</p> <p><u>Thinking for the Long term (forward planning)</u> The project presents an opportunity to address some of the challenges facing residents in accessing employment and services via public transport. The project will work with a range of partners to establish a longer-term solution as we move towards a low carbon economy and a post Covid-19 economy.</p> <p><u>Collaboration / partnership working</u> The success of the project is predicated on successful collaboration and partnership working with a range of partners and stakeholders. By working closely with Transport for Wales, the project will draw on a wide range of experience.</p>

	<p><u>Integration (across service areas)</u> The project will work with officers across a number of directorates including Community Services, Social Services and Corporate Services and has the potential to re-scope how transport supports these service areas.</p>
What outcome are you seeking from holding a Working Group?	It is hoped that the Task and Finish Group will provide strategic oversight and user input into the work being commissioned and ensure suitable geographic coverage
Which Officers will support the Working Group?	Officers from a number of Service Area will be support the Group and we anticipate a maximum number of five
Suggested Member Representation, e.g. Ward specific*	Each of the 5 towns
How many meetings will be held and how often?	It is proposed that meetings are held every quarter with a maximum of 4 meetings held to complete the work
What is the anticipated timescale for completion?	It is anticipated that the work should be completed within a year
How often will you report back to committee?	Annually

***Members of the Group will be agreed by the appropriate committee.**