

COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT

REPORT TO: THE CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE CABINET

SUBJECT: CABINET - 4TH SEPTEMBER, 2024

REPORT OF: DEMOCRATIC AND COMMITTEE SUPPORT OFFICER

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR S. THOMAS (CHAIR)

Councillors H. Cunningham
J. C. Morgan
H. Trollope
S. Edmunds

WITH: Joint Chief Executive
Chief Officer Resources
Chief Officer Customer and Commercial
Corporate Director of Education
Interim Corporate Director of Social Services
Head of Legal & Corporate Compliance
Press & Public Relations Officer

DECISIONS UNDER DELEGATED POWERS

ITEM	SUBJECT	ACTION
No. 1	<u>SIMULTANEOUS TRANSLATION</u> It was noted that no requests had been received for the simultaneous translation service.	
No. 2	<u>APOLOGIES</u> An apology for absence was received from the Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services.	

<p>No. 3</p>	<p><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS</u></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were received.</p>	
<p>No. 4</p>	<p><u>SPECIAL CABINET</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to the decisions of the Special Cabinet Meeting held on 29th April, 2024.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the decisions be received as a true record of proceedings.</p>	
<p>No. 5</p>	<p><u>PROPOSED CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME 2024-25</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Scrutiny & Democratic Officer.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the Cabinet Forward Work Programme 2024-25 be accepted</p>	
<p>No. 6</p>	<p><u>CS092 INVESTIGATION ACTION PLAN FINAL PROGRESS REPORT / ADRODDIAD CYNNYDD TERFYNOL CS092 CYNLLUN GWEITHREDU'R YMCHWILIAD</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Head of Democratic Services, Governance & Partnerships.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted, and Option 1 be agreed, namely:</p> <p>To consider and support both the Final CS092 Investigation Action Plan Progress Report and request to continue conducting regular core group meetings with a revised membership.</p> <p>Recommendation to Cabinet</p> <p>It is therefore, recommended that Cabinet agree to receive continued monitoring of the Welsh Language Standards following the closure of the recent investigation.</p>	

<p>No. 7</p>	<p><u>WELSH LANGUAGE ANNUAL REPORT 2023/24 / ADRODDIAD BLYNYDDOL YR IAITH GYMRAEG 2023/24</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Head of Democratic Services, Governance & Partnerships.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted and the draft Welsh Language Annual Report 2023/24 be approved for continued performance monitoring (Option 1).</p>	
<p>No. 8</p>	<p><u>REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2023/2024 – PROVISIONAL OUTTURN</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Service Manager Accountancy.</p> <p>RESOLVED that the report be accepted and Option 1 be approved, namely:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members consider and provide appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report; and • Note the application of reserves 	
<p>No. 9</p>	<p><u>CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING, PROVISIONAL OUTTURN 2023-2024 FINANCIAL YEAR (AS AT 31 MARCH 2024)</u></p> <p>Consideration was given to report of the Chief Officer Resources.</p> <p>RESOLVED that Members accept the report (Option 1) and:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report. • Continue to support appropriate financial control procedures agreed by Council. • To note the budgetary control and monitoring procedures in place within the Capital Team, to safeguard Authority funding. 	

No. 10

SAFEGUARDING PERFORMANCE INFORMATION FOR SOCIAL SERVICES 1ST SEPTEMBER 2023 TO 31ST MARCH 2024 AND EDUCATION AUTUMN & SPRING TERM 2023-24

Consideration was given to joint report of the Interim Corporate Director of Social Services and the Corporate Director of Education.

RESOLVED that the report and the approach and information detailed in the report be accepted (Option 1).