

**COUNTY BOROUGH OF BLAENAU GWENT**

**REPORT TO: THE PRESIDING MEMBER AND MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT: SPECIAL CORPORATE AND PERFORMANCE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE – 5<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 2023**

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

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**PRESENT: COUNCILLOR J. WILKINS (CHAIR)**

Councillors J. Thomas (Vice-Chair)

J. Hill

J. Holt

E. Jones

R. Leadbeater

C. Smith

T. Smith

**WITH:** Interim Chief Executive  
Corporate Director Regeneration and Community Services  
Chief Officer Resources  
Service Manager - Accountancy  
Chief Officer Customer and Commercial  
Head of School Improvement  
Head of Democratic Services, Governance & Partnerships  
Service Manager – Policy and Partnerships  
Service Manager – Performance and Democratic Scrutiny and Democratic Officer

<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.
<b>No. 2</b>	<b><u>APOLOGIES</u></b>

	<p>An apology for absence was received from Councillor C. Bainton.</p>
<b>No. 3</b>	<p><b><u>DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS AND DISPENSATIONS</u></b></p> <p>No declarations of interest or dispensations were reported.</p>
<b>No. 4</b>	<p><b><u>REVENUE BUDGET MONITORING 2022/2023 – PROVISIONAL OUTTURN</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Officer Resources.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Members considered and provided the appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report; and</li> <li>(b) noted the net use of specific reserves (Option 1).</li> </ul>
<b>No. 5</b>	<p><b><u>CAPITAL BUDGET MONITORING, PROVISIONAL OUTTURN 2022/2023 FINANCIAL YEAR (AS AT 31 MARCH 2023)</u></b></p> <p>Consideration was given to the report of the Chief Officer Resources.</p> <p>The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) Members considered the information included within the report and provided the appropriate challenge to the financial outcomes in the report;</li> <li>(b) continued to support appropriate financial control procedures agreed by Council; and</li> <li>(c) noted the budgetary control and monitoring procedures in place within the Capital Team, to safeguard Authority funding (Option 1).</li> </ul>
<b>No. 6</b>	<p><b><u>MEETING SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OF THE EQUALITY ACT 2010: STRATEGIC EQUALITY POLICY DEVELOPMENT</u></b></p>

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Consideration was given to the report of the Head of Governance and Partnerships.

The Committee AGREED that the report be accepted and supported the proposed approach for developing the Strategic Equality Plan 2024/28 and Equality Objectives to be approved by Cabinet (Option 1).

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