# **BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **REPORT TO CABINET EQUALITIES COMMITTEE**

## 26 June 2012

## **REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE - PERFORMANCE**

### FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

#### 1. Purpose of Report.

The purpose of this report is to propose a forward work programme for the committee (Appendix 1).

### 2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives/Other Corporate Priorities.

2.1 The committee takes responsibility for the Council's approach to meeting its equality duties and the Strategic Equality Plan. The Strategic Equality Plan is a statutory and cross-cutting plan that impacts upon the work of the whole Council. It is directly linked with the council's improvement objectives, the Welsh Language Scheme and the Customer Care Programme.

#### 3. Background.

3.1 The committee has a wide area of activity to oversee in meeting the equality duties of the Council. A forward work programme allows the committee to consider key issues on equalities in a structured way alongside its regular programme of reports on progress with the Strategic Equality Plan and Welsh language scheme. A forward work programme is set and reviewed annually.

### 4. Current Situation / Proposal.

4.1 Appendix 1 sets out suggestions for the main item and business items for the committee to consider up to April 2013.

#### 4.2 These proposals are based on:

- key areas of the Strategic Equality Plan and welsh language scheme
- suggestions from the committee over the last year
- changes to the national equalities agenda
- established half yearly reporting arrangements for the Strategic Equality Plan and Welsh Language Scheme.
- 4.3 Dates for the quarterly meetings April 2013 will be agreed by Council at the annual meeting.

### 5. Effect upon Policy Framework& Procedure Rules.

5.1 There are no proposed changes to the Policy Framework and Procedure Rules

## 6. Equality Impact Assessment.

6.1 Whilst no equality impact assessment has been carried out, this report provides the Committee with a forward work programme that will positively assist in the delivery of the Authority's equality duties.

## 7. Financial Implications.

7.1 There are no financial implications.

## 8. Recommendation.

8.1 The Cabinet Committee - Equalities approves proposals for the forward work programme.

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## **Background documents:**

Strategic Equality Plan 2012 - 2016. Welsh Language Scheme 2012 – 2015