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Annwyl Cyngorydd,

#### **CABINET**

Cynhelir Cyfarfod Cabinet yn Siambr Cyngor, Swyddfeydd Dinesig, Stryd Yr Angel, Penybont Ar Ogwr / O Bell Trwy Timau Microsoft ar **Dydd Mawrth, 14 Mawrth 2023 am 14:30.**

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17. Gwahardd y Cyhoedd  
Nid oedd yr eitemau canlynol yn cael eu cyhoeddi, gan fod eu bod yn cynnwys gwybodaeth eithriedig fel y'i diffinnir ym Mharagraffau 14 a 16 o Ran 4 a Pharagraff 21 o Ran 5, Atodlen 12A, Deddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972, fel y'i newidiwyd gan Orchymyn Llywodraeth Leol (Cymru) 2007 (Mynediad at Wybodaeth) (Amrywio).  
  
Os, yn dilyn cymhwyso'r prawf budd y cyhoedd yn y Cabinet yn penderfynu yn unol â'r Ddeddf i ystyried yr eitemau hyn yn breifat, bydd y cyhoedd yn cael eu gwahardd o'r cyfarfod yn ystod ystyriaeth o'r fath.
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Nodyn: Bydd hwn yn gyfarfod Hybrid a bydd Aelodau a Swyddogion mynychu trwy Siambr y Cyngor, Swyddfeydd Dinesig, Stryd yr Angel, Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr / o bell Trwy Timau Microsoft. Bydd y cyfarfod cael ei recordio i'w drosglwyddo drwy wefan y Cyngor. Os oes gennych unrhyw gwestiwn am hyn, cysylltwch â cabinet\_committee@bridgend.gov.uk neu ffoniwch 01656 643147 / 643148.

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J Gebbie  
HJ David  
HM Williams

Cynghorwyr

JPD Blundell

CABINET - DYDD MAWRTH, 17 IONAWR 2023

COFNODION CYFARFOD Y CABINET A GYNHALIWDYD YN YSTAFELL BWYLLGORA 1/2/3, SWYDDFEYDD DINESIG, STRYD YR ANGEL, PENYBONT AR OGWR DYDD MAWRTH, 17 IONAWR 2023, AM 14:30

## Presennol

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N Farr

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Michael Pitman	Swyddog Gwasanaethau Democrataidd – Pwyllgorau
Andrew Thomas	Rheolwr Grŵp - Chwaraeon a Gweithgarwch Corfforol

## 107. DATGANIADAU O FUDDIANT

Datganwyd y canlynol:

Y Cynghorydd Hywel Williams – Buddiant rhagfarnol- Eitem 9, Premiymau'r Dreth Gyngor – Ail Gartrefi a Chartrefi Gwag Hirdymor – Canlyniad yr Ymgynghoriad

Y Cynghorydd Jon Paul Blundell – Buddiant rhagfarnol - Eitem 7, Diweddariad Rhaglen Gyfalaf - Adroddiad Chwarter 3 2022-23, Llywodraethwr Ysgol Gyfun Bryntirion.

## 108. CYMERADWYO COFNODION

PENDERFYNWYD: Derbyn cofnodion cyfarfod y Cabinet a gynhaliwyd ar 13 Rhagfyr 2022 fel rhai gwir a chywir.

## 109. AIL-YSTYRIED PENDERFYNIAD Y CABINET: ADFYWIO GLANNAU PORTHCRAWL: ADFEDDIANNU TIR YM MHARC GRIFFIN A BAE TYWODLYD

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi Corfforaethol adroddiad i'r Cabinet gyda'r canfyddiadau ac argymhellion y Pwyllgor Trosolwg Pwnc a Chraffu 2 o'r cyfarfod a gynhaliwyd ar 3 Tachwedd 2022, ar ôl Ail-ystyried penderfyniad y Cabinet mewn perthynas ag Adfer Glannau Porthcawl: Adfeddiannu Tir ym Mharc Griffin a Bae Tywodlyd.

Eglurodd y Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi Corfforaethol bod Aelodau'r Pwyllgorau Trosolwg a Chraffu wedi gofyn bod penderfyniad gweithredol y Cabinet ar 18 Hydref 2022, yn cael ei ail-ystyried. Cynhaliwyd cyfarfod y

Pwyllgor ar 3 Tachwedd, ac ystyriwyd penderfyniad arfaethedig y Cabinet, gan gynnwys y rhesymau dros y penderfyniad, gan ystyried p'un a oedd y penderfyniad yn unol â blaenoriaethau a pholisïau corfforaethol. Ar ôl archwilio'r penderfyniad a'r trafodaethau manwl gyda'r Arweinydd, yr Aelod Cabinet dros Adfywio a'r swyddogion gwahoddedig, daeth y Pwyllgor i ganlyniad na fyddai'r penderfyniad yn cael ei gyfeirio'n ôl i'r Cabinet er mwyn cael ei ail-ystyried, ond gwnaethant yr argymhelliad canlynol. O ystyried pryderon a fynegwyd i'r Aelodau gan drigolion Porthcawl, safbwyntiau wedi'u rhannu gan siaradwyr cyhoeddus a chwestiynau gan Aelodau, mae gofyn i'r Cyngor barhau i gamau nesaf y broses drwy gynnwys Cyngor Tref Porthcawl, yr holl randdeiliaid a'r cyhoedd mewn ymgysylltiad ac ymgynghoriadau pellach.

Ymatebodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau mai'r bwriad oedd ymateb yn ysgrifenedig i'r Pwyllgor gydag ymateb hynod gadarnhaol. Roedd ymgynghori'n rhan hynod bwysig o'r cynlluniau adfer a byddai'n gallu cynnig ychydig o fanylder ar beth fyddai'n digwydd dros y misoedd nesaf.

Croesawodd yr Arweinydd yr ymgysylltiad a oedd eisoes wedi'i gynnal ac a fyddai'n parhau. Roedd ymgynghori'n rhan o'r cynlluniau ar gyfer Porthcawl o'r dechrau, ac maent yn parhau i fod wrth wraidd y weledigaeth ar gyfer adfywio.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Ystyriodd y Cabinet Argymhelliad y Pwyllgor Trosolwg Pwnc a Chraffu 2 fel yr amlinellir ym mharagraff 4.1 yr adroddiad, a chytunodd i gyflwyno ymateb ysgrifenedig i'r Pwyllgor.

#### 110. **CAEAU CHWARAE LLANGYNWYD**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau adroddiad i'r Cabinet ystyried yr achos busnes a baratowyd yn unol â dogfen

Polisi Trosglwyddo Asedau Cymunedol (CAT) y Cyngor er mwyn cefnogi prydlesu'r pafiliwn a dau gae pêl-droed, mannau gwyrdd eraill a maes parcio yng Nghaeau Chwarae Llangynwyd i Glwb Bechgyn a Merched Llangynwyd Rangers. (CBM Llangynwyd Rangers). Roedd gofyn hefyd i'r Cabinet asesu, a phan fo'n briodol, cymeradwyo'r pecyn cyllid a ofynnir amdano gan CBM Llangynwyd Rangers CBM dan Gronfa CAT y Cyngor i gefnogi cynigion i ymgymryd â gwaith atgyweirio hanfodol yn y pafiliwn ar ôl cwblhau prydles hirdymor arfaethedig dros 35 mlynedd ar gyfer y safle cyfan.

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau gefndir ar gyfleusterau a defnydd y clwb. Aeth ymlaen wedyn i amlinellu'r cynnig presennol a bod y Clwb yn dymuno ehangu cyfranogiad, yn enwedig o ran merched, ac roedd ganddo nifer o fentrau i ymestyn apêl pêl-droed. Mae cynllun 'Huddle' Cymdeithas Bêl-droed Cymru wedi bod ar waith ers mis Ebrill 2021 ac wedi denu dros 180 o ferched i chwarae pêl-droed. Atodwyd cynlluniau busnes ac ariannol manwl yn amlinellu eu cynigion yn atodiad G a H yr adroddiad. Cafodd y ddau gynllun eu hadolygu gan yr Adran Gyllid ac ystyriwyd eu bod yn arddangos hyfywedd ariannol y prosiect sy'n cael ei gynnig yn y tymor byr a chanolig, yn unol â'r ddogfen Polisi CAT. Eglurodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau bod tri chais am gyllid wedi'u cyflwyno a bod y Clwb yn dymuno cwblhau'r brydles 35 mlynedd arfaethedig ar gyfer y safle cyfan, a fyddai'n eu galluogi i ymgymryd â gwaith atgyweirio hanfodol yn y pafiliwn, yn amodol ar y Cabinet yn cymeradwyo eu cais am gyllid, gwerth £157,240.85.

Croesawodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Gymunedau'r adroddiad, a fyddai'n cyflwyno symiau mwy fyth o arian i greu lleoliad man gwyrdd yn ogystal â lleoliad pêl-droed.

Cytunodd yr Arweinydd bod hwn yn gynnig hynod gyffrous ar gyfer y Clwb, y cwm a'r Fwrdeistref. Roedd y cyllid yn galluogi'r Clwb i sicrhau arian cyfatebol, ac felly buddsoddiad o dros £450,000, ac roedd yn arbennig o hapus gyda'r cynlluniau i ymgysylltu mwy gyda merched.

Ychwanegodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau fod gan y Clwb weledigaeth ac adran merched arbennig o gryf, ond nid y cyfleusterau. Roeddent yn bwriadu ychwanegu cyfleusterau penodol, ond yn dechrau atgyweirio'r hyn sydd yno eisoes.

Diolchodd yr Arweinydd y gwirfoddolwyr ac Aelodau Pwyllgor y Clwb am eu gwaith caled wrth gyflawni'r llwyddiant hwn.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Cabinet:

1. Nodwyd y cyllid eisoes wedi'i ddyrannu o'r Gronfa CAT i CBM Llangynwyd Rangers i gefnogi hunanreolaeth y ddau gae pêl-droed a mannau gwyrdd eraill yng Nghaeau Chwarae Llangynwyd, y cytunwyd arno mewn egwyddor gan y Grŵp Llywio CAT.

Diben y Cyllid	Cyllid dan Gronfa CAT
Gwelliannau i'r System Ddraenio a'r Caeau (2 x Gau Pêl-droed)	£50,000.00
Cynnal a Chadw Offer y Caeau	£10,000.00

2. Cymeradwywyd yr achos busnes (cynlluniau busnes ac ariannol) a gyflwynwyd gan CBM Llangynwyd Rangers i gefnogi prydlesu'r Pafiliwn, y ddau gae pêl-droed, mannau gwyrdd eraill a maes parcio yng Nghaeau Chwarae Llangynwyd, dan raglen CAT y Cyngor, drwy arddangos hyfywedd ariannol a chynaliadwyedd y prosiect.

3 Cymeradwywyd y cais am gyllid dan y Gronfa CAT a gyflwynwyd gan CBM Llangynwyd Rangers er mwyn ymgymryd â gwaith atgyweirio hanfodol yn y pafiliwn, gwerth £157,240.85, a fyddai'n codi'r pecyn cyllid llawn ar gyfer y trosglwyddo dan y Gronfa CAT i £217,240.85.

111. **MONITRO CYLLIDEB 2022-23 - RHAGOLWG REFENIW CHWARTER 3**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid ddiweddiariad ar sefyllfa ariannol refeniw'r Cyngor, fel yr oedd ar 31 Rhagfyr 2022. Esboniodd gefndir y cytundeb, ac mai'r sefyllfa gyffredinol a ragwelir ar 31 Rhagfyr 2022 oedd gorwariant net, gwerth £731,000, gan gynnwys £8.711 miliwn o orwariant net ar gyfarwyddiaethau a thanwariant net, gwerth £7.980 miliwn, ar gyllidebau ledled y Cyngor.

Amlinellodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid effaith barhaus Covid 19, gan gynnwys hawliadau sy'n ymwneud â Covid i Lywodraeth Cymru, trosglwyddiadau cyllidebau ac addasiadau technegol, chwyddiant tâl/prisiau a chynigion i leihau cyllideb. Cyflwynodd grynodedb o sefyllfa ariannol pob prif faes gwasanaeth, a thynnodd sylw at yr amrywiaethau mwyaf sylweddol.

Croesawodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Adnoddau'r gwelliant yn y sefyllfa o gymharu â chwarter 2. Cyfeiriodd at y pwysau ar y Gyfarwyddiaeth Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant, ac ychwanegodd y dylid ystyried y maes hwnnw'n ofalus wrth symud ymlaen.

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol dros Wasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant wybodaeth ychwanegol mewn perthynas â'r sefyllfa bryderus o ran y gyllideb anawsterau dysgu a'r gyllideb ar draws y maes gwasanaethau cymdeithasol a llesiant. Maent yn gweithio gydag arbenigwyr annibynnol sydd wedi gweithio gydag awdurdodau lleol ledled Cymru, er mwyn gwneud yn siŵr eu bod yn cynnig gwasanaethau gofal a chymorth, cost effeithiol, ar gyfer anawsterau dysgu. Byddai canlyniad yr adolygiad yn cael ei gyflwyno i'r Cabinet dros y misoedd nesaf.

Eglurodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd ychydig o'r pwysau o fewn y gyllideb gwasanaethau cymdeithasol, ac ychwanegodd eu bod yn ymgymryd â gwaith, yn ystyried sut oeddynt yn gwario arian, ac a oedd arian yn cael ei wario'n briodol. Byddai'r canfyddiadau'n cael eu cyflwyno i'r Cabinet cyn bo hir.

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth wybodaeth ychwanegol mewn perthynas â gorwariant o fewn y gwasanaethau cludiant rhwng y cartref a'r ysgol ac arlwy. Cyfeiriodd hefyd at blant yn cael eu cefnogi y tu hwnt i'r sir a gweithiodd gyda rhieni er mwyn sicrhau bod y gwasanaeth yn cael ei gyflwyno mor effeithlon â phosibl.

Cyfeiriodd yr Arweinydd at y wybodaeth ddiweddaraf yn yr adroddiad mewn perthynas â niferoedd pobl ddigartref. Croesawodd cyhoeddiad diweddar y Gweinidog Newid Hinsawdd am gyfraniad refeniw untro a gwariant cyfalaf ychwanegol a gyhoeddwyd ar ôl cyhoeddi'r adroddiad.

PENDERFYNWYD: Nododd y Cabinet y sefyllfa refeniw a ragwelir ar gyfer 2022-23.

112. DIWEDDARIAD RHAGLEN GYFALAF - ADRODDIAD CHWARTER 3 2022-23

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid ddiweddariad mewn perthynas â'r sefyllfa cyfalaf ar ddiwedd chwarter tri. Wrth gynnig gwybodaeth gefndirol, eglurodd bod y Cyngor wedi cymeradwy strategaeth gyfalaf y Cyngor ar 23 Chwefror 2022, ac ar yr adeg honno, cyfanswm y gyllideb gyfalaf gymeradwyo oedd £69.9 miliwn.

Amlinellodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid sefyllfa bresennol y rhaglen. Ar hyn o bryd, cyfanswm y rhaglen ddiwygiedig ar gyfer 2022-23 yw £61.732 miliwn, yr oedd £28.242 miliwn wedi'i fodloni gan adnoddau Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr (BCBC), gan gynnwys derbyniadau cyfalaf a chyfraniadau refeniw o gronfeydd wedi'u clustnodi, gyda'r £33.490 miliwn sy'n weddill yn dod o adnoddau allanol, gan gynnwys Grant Cyfalaf Cyffredinol Llywodraeth Cymru. Dangoswyd crynodeb o'r rhaglen ar draws wasanaethau yn nhabl un a rhagor o fanylion mewn perthynas â sut oeddynt yn ariannu'n rhaglen honno wedi'u cynnwys yn Nhabl 2.

Tynnodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid sylw at lithriadau rhai cynlluniau, a oedd yn debygol o lithro i'r flwyddyn ariannol newydd. Yn chwarter 3, cyfanswm y llithriadau y gofynnwyd amdanynt oedd £28.542 miliwn, a manylir ar y rhesymau dros hyn yn yr adroddiad.

Eglurodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid, ers yr adroddiad cyfalaf diwethaf a gymeradwywyd gan y Cyngor ym mis Hydref 2022, roedd nifer o gynlluniau newydd wedi'u hariannu'n ariannol wedi'u cymeradwyo a chynlluniau wedi'u hariannu'n fewnol arfaethedig, a oedd wedi'u cynnwys yn y Rhaglen Gyfalaf, a manylir ar y rhain yn yr adroddiad. Cafodd Rhaglen Gyfalaf ddiwygiedig ei chynnwys yn Atodiad B yr adroddiad. Mewn perthynas â'r Strategaeth Gyfalaf,

dangosodd Atodiad C yr adroddiad bod y Cyngor yn gweithredu yn unol â'r cyfyngiadau cymeradwy.

Diolchodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Adnoddau y Prif Swyddog am yr adroddiad, ac ychwanegodd nad oedd llithriadau'n ddelfrydol, ond roedd y rhesymau a roddwyd yn dderbyniol. Gofynnodd i'r swyddogion ystyried ail-broffilio'r cynlluniau cyn cyflwyno'r sefyllfa ddiweddaraf i'r Cyngor llawn ym mis Mawrth. Mewn perthynas â'r cynlluniau ariannu allanol newydd a oedd wedi'u cyflwyno, yn benodol y Cynllun Gwella Eiddo Canol Trefi, gofynnodd bod adroddiad yn cael ei gyflwyno i'r Cabinet yn egluro pam bod y cynllun hwn wedi bod yn llwyddiannus ar gyfer yr awdurdod.

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau wybodaeth bellach mewn perthynas â Chronfa Trawsnewid Trefi Llywodraeth Cymru, gan gynnwys manylion dau gynllun mwy. Byddai adroddiad manwl yn cael ei gyflwyno i'r Cabinet erbyn y Gwanwyn. Byddai'r gronfa'n ailagor bryd hynny, ac eglurodd bod swyddogion ar gael i gynghori busnesau ynghylch sut i wneud cais.

Cytunodd yr Arweinydd gyda sylwadau'r Aelod Cabinet dros Adnoddau mewn perthynas â'r potensial i ail-broffilio rhai o'r cynlluniau, yn enwedig Canolfan Tredŵr. Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau wybodaeth bellach ar y rheswm pam nad oedd y safle bellach yn ymarferol, a bod ymdrechion wedi'u gwneud i sicrhau lleoliad newydd.

Yng ngoleuni'r ail-ystyried diweddar, cyfeiriodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd at y £0.608 miliwn ychwanegol a ddyfarnwyd gan Gronfa Tai â Gofal Llywodraeth Cymru ar gyfer yr Hwb Preswyl i Blant. Byddai hyn yn galluogi cwblhau gwaith tirlunio a charbon sero, nad oeddynt wedi'u cynnwys yn y cynllun gwreiddiol. Roedd problemau gyda chaffael mewn perthynas â chostau, a chynigodd esiampl Hybiau Menter, lle dychwelwyd costau tendro tua 250% dros y gyllideb.

Esboniodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Gymunedau y byddai galw cyfalaf am Ganolfan Tredŵr ac y byddai adroddiadau pellach yn cael eu cyflwyno maes o law. Ychwanegodd bod potiau o arian ar gyfer amryw o gynlluniau sero net a bod y Cyngor wedi cael cyllid gwerth £0.300 miliwn gan Gronfa Trawsnewid Cerbydau Allyriadau Isel lawn (ULEV) Llywodraeth Cymru er mwyn cefnogi'r gwaith o gyflwyno seilwaith gwefru cerbydau trydan ym meysydd parcio cyhoeddus y Cyngor.

Gofynnodd yr Arweinydd a oedd rhestr ar gael yn rhestru lle fydd y manau gwefru ychwanegol yn cael eu gosod. Atebodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Cymunedau bod strategaeth ar waith i drosglwyddo'r fflyd Gorfforaethol i gerbydau trydan ac i osod manau gwefru ar gyfer hyn a'r cyhoedd, ac esboniodd sut y byddai'r seilwaith gwefru yn cael ei gyflwyno.

**PENDERFYNWYD:**

Cabinet:

- nodwyd diweddariad Chwarter 3 Rhaglen Gyfalaf y Cyngor 2022-23 i 31 Rhagfyr 2022 (Atodiad A)
- cytunwyd bydd y Rhaglen Gyfalaf ddiwygiedig (Atodiad B) yn cael ei gyflwyno i'r Cyngor er mwyn ei gymeradwyo nodwyd y Dangosyddion Darbodus a Dangosyddion Eraill rhagamcanol ar gyfer 2022-23 (Atodiad C)

**113. STRATEGAETH ARIANNOL TYMOR CANOLIG 2023-24 I 2026-27**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid adroddiad gyda'r Strategaeth Ariannol Tymor Canolig 2023-24 i 2026-27 drafft, sy'n gosod blaenoriaethau gwario'r Cyngor, amcanion buddsoddi allweddol a'r meysydd cyllideb sydd wedi'u targedu ar

gyfer arbedion angenrheidiol. Mae'r strategaeth yn cynnwys rhagolygon ariannol ar gyfer 2023-2027 a drafft manwl o gyllideb refeniw 2023-24.

Eglurodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid eu bod yn gweld pwysau cost gweddilliol a cholled incwm ar ôl y pandemig, pwysau chwyddiant sylweddol yn ogystal ag effaith yr argyfwng costau byw ar gyflogau a phrisiau. Roedd hyn yn golygu bod y gwaith o gynllunio'r gyllideb ar gyfer y flwyddyn ariannol i ddod yn fwy ansicr ac yn fwy heriol nag arfer. Amlinellwyd y sefyllfa ariannol bresennol ynghyd â'r pwysau parhaus. Ychwanegodd y byddai'r Cyngor yn ceisio diogelu'r bobl fwyaf bregus yn y Gymuned. Roedd y Cyngor wedi gwneud gwerth £73 miliwn o arbedion refeniw ers 2010, swm sylweddol i'w ganfod.

Amlinellodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid y gyllideb net arfaethedig ar gyfer y flwyddyn nesaf a sut oedd yn cael ei hariannu. Roedd Adran 4 yr adroddiad yn egluro'r materion penodol ar gyfer pob maes gwasanaeth. Eglurodd bod Llywodraeth Cymru wedi cyhoeddi'r Setliad Llywodraeth Leol dros dro ar 14 Rhagfyr 2022. Ni fydd y Setliad Llywodraeth Leol terfynol yn cael ei gyhoeddi cyn diwedd mis Chwefror, felly dangoswyd y gyllideb refeniw ddrafft ar gyfer 2023/24 yn Nhabl 6 yr adroddiad. Yn ystod 2022-23, roedd nifer o bwysau cyllidebol gwasanaeth nad oedd modd eu hosgoi wedi codi, fel y manylir yn Atodiad A yr adroddiad. Cyfanswm y pwysau cyllidebol a nodwyd ar gyfer 2023-24 oedd £10.711 miliwn. Roedd rhaid canfod gostyngiadau cyllidebol hefyd er mwyn cydbwysu'r gyllideb hon, a nodwyd cynigion ar gyfer £3.2 miliwn, ac amlinellwyd y rhain yn Atodiad B yr adroddiad. Roedd yr adroddiad hefyd yn ymdrin â chynlluniau mewn perthynas â'r rhaglen gyfalaf fel rhan o'r setliad hwnnw. Dyfarnwyd dros £8 miliwn i Ben-y-bont ar Ogwr er mwyn cefnogi cyllid cyfalaf y flwyddyn i ddod. Roedd y rhaglen gyfalaf diweddaraf i'w hystyried gan y Cyngor, a byddai unrhyw newidiadau pellach i'r rhaglen honno'n cael eu cynnwys yn y strategaeth tymor canolig terfynol, a fydd yn cael ei gyflwyno i'r Cabinet ac yna i'r Cyngor ym mis Chwefror a mis Mawrth eleni. Nid oedd unrhyw gynigion cyfalaf wedi'u gwneud ar gyfer y flwyddyn i ddod, er ei fod wedi'i dderbyn bod nifer o bwysau cyfalaf a fyddai angen eu hariannu cyn symud ymlaen, a byddai'r rhain yn cael eu diweddarau pan fo'r cynigion cyllidebol terfynol yn cael eu cyflwyno i'r Cabinet a'r Cyngor.

Eglurodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid bod hon yn gyllideb ddrafft, ac roedd y cynigion hyn bellach yn destun ymgynghoriad gyda'r pedwar pwyllgor craffu dros yr wythnos i ddod. Roedd yr ymgynghoriad cyhoeddus i fod i ddod i ben cyn bo hir a byddai'r canfyddiadau o'r ddau ymarfer yn cael eu hystyried wrth ddrafftio'r gyllideb derfynol ar gyfer 2023-2024.

Diolchodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Adnoddau y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid am yr adroddiad yn ystod cyfnod hynod anodd a heriol. Byddai'r gyllideb hon yn cynnig cannoedd o wasanaethau i ddegau o filoedd o drigolion y Fwrdeistref Sirol. Byddant yn gwrando ar y broses graffu ac anogodd aelodau o'r cyhoedd i gymryd rhan yn yr ymgynghoriad cyhoeddus. Byddai'n rhaid iddynt gyfyngu ar dwf gwasanaeth a lle bo'n bosibl, cymryd arian o'r swyddfa gefn yn hytrach na'r rheng flaen, gan gydnabod goblygiadau hynny. Roedd gofyn iddynt gyflwyno cyllideb wedi'i chydbwysu, ond roeddynt yn ymwybodol o'r argyfwng costau byw, a phe bai modd lleihau effaith y dreth gyngor, byddent yn gwneud hynny. Anogodd drigolion eto i gymryd rhan yn y broses ymgynghori.

Ategodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Addysg yr hyn a oedd wedi'i ddweud, ac ychwanegodd nid dyma'r gyllideb derfynol, ond ei bod yn ddogfen weithiol byw. Byddent yn gwrando ar yr argymhellion ar ôl y craff a'r ymgynghoriad.

Croesawodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Gymunedau gynnwys



dyraniad blynyddol ychwanegol gwerth £400,000 y flwyddyn er mwyn cefnogi'r agenda datgarboneiddio. Ni chroesewir y toriadau yn yr adroddiad, roedd pob un yn anodd, ac roedd rhai yn cyflwyno effeithiau hirdymor, fodd bynnag, croesewir y broses graffu.

Eglurodd yr Arweinydd y byddant eisiau cadw'r cynnydd yn y dreth Gyngor mor isel â phosibl. Golygai hyn na fyddant yn gallu ariannu'r cynigion twf cyllidebol a oedd wedi'u gwneud, a bydd gofyn iddynt wneud arbedion a thoriadau.

Cytunodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Genedlaethau'r Dyfodol gyda'r sylwadau a wnaed. Roedd pedwar diwrnod arall i'r cyhoeddus ymgysylltu â'r ymgynghoriad, a dylai Aelodau annog eu trigolion i gymryd rhan er mwyn iddynt allu gwneud penderfyniadau a oedd wedi'u llywio ac a oedd yn adlewyrchu gwerthoedd y Gymuned.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Cytunodd y Cabinet i gyflwyno ymgynghoriad â Phwyllgorau Trosolwg a Chraffu, cyllideb flynyddol 2023-24 a datblygiad y MTFs 2023-24 i 2026- 27, fel y nodir yn yr adroddiad, cyn cyflwyno fersiwn derfynol i'w chymeradwyo gan y Cyngor ym mis Mawrth 2023.

114. **PREMIYMAU'R DRETH GYNGOR - AIL GARTREFI A CHARTREFI GWAG HIRDYMOR – CANLYNIAD YR YMGYNGHORIAD**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid adroddiad yn diweddar y Cabinet ar ganlyniad yr ymarfer ymgynghori mewn perthynas â chodi premiwm y dreth gyngor ar ail gartrefi a chartrefi gwag hirdymor, yn ogystal â cheisio argymhelliad gan y Cabinet ynghylch sut i symud ymlaen, yng ngoleuni adborth yr ymgynghoriad.

Cynigodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid gefndir yr adroddiad, ac eglurodd bod canlyniadau'r ymarfer ymgynghori wedi'u cyflwyno gerbron y Cabinet am argymhelliad i'r Cyngor llawn. Eglurodd bod modd i Gynghorau Cymru godi symiau uwch ar ben graddfa gyffredin y dreth Gyngor ar ail gartrefi a chartrefi gwag hirdymor. Bwriad rhoi'r disgrisiwn hwn i awdurdodau lleol oedd cynnig offeryn iddynt roi ail-fywyd i gartref gwag hirdymor yn ogystal â helpu awdurdodau lleol i gynyddu'r cyflenwad o dai fforddiadwy o fwn eu hardaloedd. Ychwanegodd bod eithriadau lle nad oedd modd codi premiymau a manylir ar y rhain yn yr adroddiad, ynghyd â gwybodaeth am yr awdurdodau lleol a oedd wedi cymhwyso premiwm yng Nghymru ym mis Tachwedd 2022.

Eglurodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid bod 701 o gartrefi gwag hirdymor ym Mhen-y-bont ar Ogwr ar ddiwedd mis Hydref. Bwriad Strategaeth Cartrefi Gwag y Cyngor oedd lleihau nifer yr eiddo gwag, er mwyn cyfrannu tuag at gynyddu argaeledd tai i'w gwerthu neu i'w rhentu, ac roedd codi premiwm treth ar eiddo gwag yn cyd-fynd â nodau'r strategaeth honno. Roedd yr adroddiad hefyd yn ystyried y cynnig i godi premiwm ar ail gartrefi. Roedd gan Ben-y-bont ar Ogwr 72 eiddo a oedd wedi'u dosbarthu fel ail gartrefi, ac roeddent ar hyn o bryd yn talu 100% o'r dreth gyngor. Ychwanegodd, pe bai penderfyniad yn cael ei wneud i gymhwyso premiwm ar ail gartrefi, ni fyddai modd ei gymhwyso i'r categori hwn o gartrefi tan fis Ebrill 2024.

Amlinellodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid sut y cafodd yr ymgynghoriad ei hysbysebu, yr ymatebion a gafwyd i'r ymgynghoriad fel y manylir yn atodiad A yr adroddiad a'r opsiynau sydd ar gael i'r Cabinet eu hystyried.

Esboniodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Genedlaethau'r Dyfodol, yn sgil yr argyfwng tai yr oeddent yn ei wynebu ledled y Fwrdeistref, Cymru a'r DU, y dylid croesawu unrhyw gynnydd a fydd yn eu helpu i adfywio mwy o dai. Cefnogodd premiwm ar y Dreth Gyngor

ar eiddo gwag hirdymor, er mwyn adfywio'r eiddo hynny, neu i dalu mwy er mwyn helpu i ariannu gwasanaethau tai a digartrefedd o fewn y fwrdeistref. Mewn perthynas ag ail gartrefi, roedd nifer fechan iawn o ail gartrefi ym Mhen-y-bont ar Ogwr ar hyn o bryd, ac roedd yn meddwl y dylid cymryd amser i adolygu'r effaith posibl cyn gwneud penderfyniad.

Cytunodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd gyda'r sylwadau hyn ac ychwanegodd y dylid defnyddio unrhyw gyllid a godir drwy'r ffioedd hyn i leihau digartrefedd a chynorthwyo â digartrefedd ym Mhen-y-bont ar Ogwr.

Dywedodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol dros Gymunedau y byddai rheoliadau newydd, mewn perthynas â gosodiadau gwyliau ac ail gartrefi, yn dod i rym yng Nghymru tua diwedd y gwanwyn. Roedd Llywodraeth Cymru'n gweithio gydag awdurdodau cynllunio lleol i weld sut y gallent ddiwygio'r rheoliadau cynllunio gan eu galluogi i reoli'r nifer o ail gartrefi a'r nifer o dai haf. Roedd hyn yn arbennig o bwysig wrth ystyried y cynllun adfywio ym Mhorthcawl.

Cytunodd yr Arweinydd y byddai'n synhwyrol i ystyried ail gartrefi'n fanylach, gan ystyried y newidiadau yn y system gynllunio.

Cytunodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Gymunedau gyda'r cynnig am eiddo gwag hirdymor a gofynnodd am eglurhad ynghylch penderfyniad ar ail gartrefi a pha ddyddiad y byddai unrhyw gynnydd yn dod i rym pe na fyddent yn gallu gwneud penderfyniad heddiw. Cadarnhaodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid y byddai'n rhaid iddynt wneud penderfyniad 12 mis llawn cyn gweithredu'r ddarpariaeth ail gartrefi, yn unol â'r rheoliadau. Gallent benderfynu rhoi'r premiymau hynny ar waith o Ebrill 2024, ond byddai angen gwneud rhai addasiadau yn ystod y flwyddyn.

Cyfeiriodd yr Arweinydd at ychydig o ddryswch yn rhai o'r ymatebion i'r ymgynghoriad mewn perthynas ag eithrio eiddo sy'n cael eu hadnewyddu ac felly nid oes modd byw ynddynt, ac eiddo lle maent yn aros am Grant Profiant. Cadarnhaodd bod nifer o eithriadau penodol eisoes ar waith mewn perthynas â'r dreth gyngor, a all fod yn berthnasol dan yr amgylchiadau hyn.

**PENDERFYNWYD:**

Cabinet:

- nodwyd canlyniadau'r ymgynghoriad ac argymhellir gweithredu premiwm y dreth gyngor ar ail gartrefi a chartrefi gwag hirdymor, i'r Cyngor, gyda'r amod y byddai gwaith ychwanegol yn cael ei gynnal mewn perthynas ag ail gartrefi a ffactorau ehangach.
  - yn amodol ar yr uchod, ac unrhyw benderfyniad a wnaed gan y Cyngor, awdurdodi'r Prif Swyddog - Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid i weithredu unrhyw newidiadau.

115. **DYLETSWYDD, ASESIAID A CHYNLLUN GWEITHREDU CYFLEOEDD CHWARAE ER MWYN SICRHAU DIGON O GYFLEOEDD YM MWRDEISTREF SIROL PEN-Y-BONT AR OGWR**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant adroddiad yn hysbysu'r Cabinet am y ddyletswydd statudol ar bob awdurdod lleol i sicrhau nifer digonol o gyfleoedd chwarae i blant a phobl ifanc mewn perthynas ag Erthygl 31 Confensiwn y Cenhedloedd Unedig ar Hawliau'r Plentyn a'r canllawiau statudol a gynhyrchwyd gan Lywodraeth Cymru ym mis Gorffennaf 2014. Roeddent hefyd yn chwilio am sylwadau, arsylwadau a chymeradwyaeth ar yr asesiad tair blynedd a gynhaliwyd yn ystod 2021-22 a'r cynllun gweithredu arfaethedig ar gyfer 2022-24 oedd

yn ofynnol mewn perthynas â'r materion statudol a sefydlwyd gan Lywodraeth Cymru mewn perthynas â digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae.

Eglurodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant fod y cynllun asesu a gweithredu yn destun craffu ac ystyriaeth fanwl cyn ei gyflwyno i'r Cabinet. Roedd y cynllun asesu a gweithredu wedi elwa o ymgysylltu'n helaeth â phobl ifanc, a chyfranogiad pobl ifanc, wrth ei ddatblygu. Roedd hwn yn ddull Un Cyngor o ddigonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae, ac roedd ymrwymiad Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr ynghyd ag ymrwymiad partneriaid, yn hanfodol wrth fodloni blaenoriaethau'r cynllun gweithredu.

Eglurodd y Rheolwr Grŵp Atal a Llesiant gefndir digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae, a bod Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr (BCBC) wedi cynnal a chyflwyno asesiadau digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae a chynlluniau gweithredu yn unol â gofynion Llywodraeth Cymru. Eglurodd y problemau a'r materion a ystyriwyd o fewn yr asesiad a'r angen am ddull "Un Cyngor" a chydweithio â rhanddeiliaid a phartneriaid. Darparwyd y cynllun asesu a gweithredu yn atodiad 1 yr adroddiad a phwysleisiwyd y themâu allweddol iddynt ganolbwyntio arnynt.

Eglurodd y Rheolwr Grŵp Atal a Llesiant y goblygiadau ariannol a fyddai'n berthnasol ledled y Cyfarwyddiaethau, a bod faint y gellid ei amsugno o fewn cyllidebau refereniw craidd presennol yn swm ansicr. Yn ystod y blynyddoedd diwethaf, roedd Llywodraeth Cymru wedi cyflwyno ystod o gynlluniau cymorth ariannol, ond nid oedd cadarnhad o fuddsoddiad parhaus na buddsoddiad yn y dyfodol.

Diolchodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Genedlaethau'r Dyfodol i'r swyddogion am yr adroddiad ac am waith y tîm. Roedd hon yn enghraifft dda o sut ddylai Deddf Llesiant Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol weithio. Diolchodd i'r Aelodau etholedig a oedd wedi cyfrannu, ac am y cwestiynau a ofynnwyd wrth graffu, yn ehangach ac o ganlyniad i'r gwaith hwnnw.

Diolchodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Gymunedau i'r Hyrwyddwr Digonolrwydd Cyfleoedd Chwarae am ei waith caled ac ychwanegodd nad offer chwarae sefydlog yn unig oedd hyn, ond manau chwarae y dylid eu gwerthfawrogi a'u defnyddio mwy. Roedd naw maes chwarae wedi'u cwblhau, ac ym mhob un o'r naw, roedd offer cylchfannau a siglenni sedd hygyrch ar gyfer pobl anabl. Roedd wedi cwrdd ag aelodau a swyddogion ward lleol i wneud yn siŵr eu bod yn ystyried archwiliadau mynediad, hygyrchedd, anabledd a chynwysoldeb ac yn derbyn cyngor arbenigol caffael y bwrdd. Ychwanegodd y byddai rhywfaint o hyfforddiant i aelodau o Chwarae Cymru ar yr adeg briodol yn help i wella dealltwriaeth.

**PENDERFYNWYD:**

**Cabinet:**

- adolygwyd manylion y ddyletswydd statudol digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae a chwmpas y gwasanaethau a oedd yn cyfrannu at greu cymdeithas lle mae 'cyfle i chwarae', fel y nodwyd o fewn yr asesiad digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae a chynigodd arsylwadau a sylwadau ar asesiad 2022-2025 a'r cynllun gweithredu a ddatblygwyd fel ymateb cychwynnol i ganfyddiadau'r asesiad.
- Cymeradwywyd y cynllun gweithredu ac asesu digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae yn unol â gofynion cenedlaethol mewn perthynas â digonolrwydd cyfleoedd chwarae.

116. PLANT SY'N CEISIO LLOCHES HEB RIENI

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant adroddiad yn cyflwyno diweddariad i'r Cabinet ar y Cynllun Trosglwyddo Cenedlaethol gofynnol ar gyfer Plant a Phobl Ifanc sy'n Ceisio Lloches Heb Rieni (UASC) a gofyn i'r awdurdod dirprwyedig hwnnw gael ei roi i Gyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant i addasu contract cyfredol, yn unol â rheol 3.3.3 Rheolau Gweithdrefn Contract y Cyngor ac i'r Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant mewn ymgynghoriad â'r Prif Swyddog – Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid ac Adran 151, a Phrif Swyddog – Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi  
Corfforaethol i gytuno ar delerau'r cytundeb rhanbarthol (SLA) ac unrhyw gytundebau ategol, yn ôl y gofyn.

Eglurodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant gefndir yr adroddiad a'r ffaith bod BCBC, hyd yma, wedi llwyddo i drefnu lleoliad ar gyfer 6 o blant, gan ddefnyddio llety â chymorth ac asiantaethau maeth annibynnol. Ar hyn o bryd, nid oedd gan BCBC ddigon o gapasiti o fewn contractau Llety â Chymorth presennol i fodloni anghenion pobl ifanc sy'n dod drwy'r NTS. Roedd digonolrwydd lleoliadau mewn perthynas â maethu a gofal preswyl hefyd yn gyfyngedig. Eglurodd mai'r cynnig ar hyn o bryd oedd datblygu mwy o lety â chymorth, sy'n addas ar gyfer pobl ifanc oedd dros 16 oed, wedi'i ddarparu gan landlord cymdeithasol cofrestredig. Byddai'r cymorth yn cael ei gynnig gan ddarparwr cymorth wedi'i gomisiynu, Dewis Cyf. Roedd y contract Llety â Chymorth presennol ar waith gyda Dewis ond yn caniatáu addasu 10%, fodd bynnag, roedd angen addasu 36% ar y contract er mwyn helpu BCBC i fodloni'r gofynion UASC a nodwyd yn yr adroddiad.

Ychwanegodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol, Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant, y byddai hyn yn ffordd gost-effeithiol o fodloni anghenion y plant hynny, a byddai'r lleoliad yn eithaf addas wrth gael mynediad at wasanaethau lleol, gan gynnwys darpariaeth addysg o fewn y fwrdeistref sirol. Esboniodd bod newid wedi bod gan y Swyddfa Gartref o ran y cyllid ynghlwm â phlant oedd yn ceisio lloches ac roedd hi'n hyderus y byddai'r arian gan y Swyddfa Gartref yn bodloni'r angen am y llety â chefnogaeth.

Atebodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd ei bod hi'n falch iawn o nodi y bydd San Steffan yn talu'r holl gostau. Roedd peth ansicrwydd ynghylch cost y cynlluniau gofal a chymorth, oherwydd nid oeddynt yn gwybod pwy oedd y bobl ifanc tan iddynt gyrraedd, mewn gwirionedd. Gofynnodd am sicrwydd y byddai modd lleoli'r bobl ifanc gyda darparwyr erbyn 28 Chwefror, ac a oedd trefniadau ar waith ar gyfer addysg.

Atebodd y Cyfarwyddwr Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant Corfforaethol bod sicrwydd yn eu lle, a phwrpas yr adroddiad hwn oedd cael y caniatâd gofynnol i gyflawni'r cyfrifoldeb cyn diwedd mis Chwefror.

Gofynnodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Addysg pa ddarpariaethau oedd yn cael eu rhoi ar waith i'r plant ac a oedd unrhyw gategoreiddio arbennig ar gyfer y plant hyn? Gofynnodd hefyd a fyddai'r costau'n cael eu cynnwys dan ofal Llywodraeth y DU.

Atebodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd y byddent yn cael eu hadnabod fel plant sy'n derbyn gofal ac yn amlwg, y byddant yn cael eu blaenoriaethu dan y Polisi Derbyn i Ysgolion. Byddant hefyd yn cael eu hystyried i fod yn gymwys am drafnidiaeth ysgol, yn unol â'r mesur Teithio gan Ddysgwyr, yn ogystal â bod yn gymwys am brydau ysgol am ddim. Yn ogystal â hynny, mewn perthynas â chymorth addysg, byddant yn cael cymorth ychwanegol drwy'r gwasanaeth cynhwysiant, mewn perthynas â Saesneg fel iaith ychwanegol. Eglurodd, mewn perthynas â'r

costau'n cael eu cynnwys dan ofal Llywodraeth y DU, y byddai angen iddo geisio eglurhad gan gydweithwyr cyllid.

Eglurodd yr Arweinydd mai'r disgwyl oedd i'r cyllid a fydd yn cwmpasu'r holl gostau er mwyn cefnogi'r plant hyn, ddod gan Lywodraeth y DU. Dyma oedd y plant mwyaf bregus yn ein cymdeithas, yn ffoi arswyd a thrychinebau, a'n dyletswydd ni oedd eu croesawu hyd eithaf ein gallu. Ychwanegodd ei fod wedi cwrdd ag Aelodau'r Ward, a'u bod yn hynod gefnogol, a byddant yn gweithio'n agos gyda'r Gymuned wrth i'r cynnig ddatblygu.

Gofynnodd yr Arweinydd bod eglurhad mai Llywodraeth y DU fyddai'n talu am bob cost, gan gynnwys addysg, yn cael ei geisio.

**PENDERFYNWYD:**

Cabinet:

- Awdurdod dirprwyedig i'r Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol - Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant i addasu'r contract Llety â Chymorth presennol gyda Dewis, er mwyn cynnig gwasanaethau ychwanegol hyd at werth £213k yn unol â rheol 3.3.3 Rheolau Gweithdrefnol Contract y Cyngor.
- Awdurdod dirprwyedig i'r Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol - Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant mewn ymgynghoriad â'r Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid ac Swyddog Adran 151, a'r Prif Swyddog - Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol, AD a Rheolaethol er mwyn cytuno ar delerau cytundeb gwasanaeth llety â chymorth rhanbarthol (SLA), a gweithredu'r cytundeb hwnnw, ac unrhyw gytundebau ategol, yn ôl yr angen.

**117. PENODI LLYWODRAETHWYR AWDURDOD LLEOL**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd adroddiad yn ceisio cymeradwyaeth gan y Cabinet ar gyfer penodi llywodraethwyr awdurdod lleol i gyrrff llywodraethu ysgol a restrir ym mharagraff 4.1 yr adroddiad. Ychwanegodd bod yr holl ymgeiswyr wedi bodloni meini prawf ar gyfer penodiad fel llywodraethwyr awdurdod lleol, ac nid oedd cystadleuaeth ar gyfer y swyddi gwag hyn.

Diolchodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Addysg i'r bobl hynny a oedd wedi rhoi eu henw ymlaen gan ofyn i Aelodau o Wardiau gyda swyddi gwag ar y Cyrff Llywodraethu, i ystyried ymgeisio.

**PENDERFYNWYD:**

Cymeradwyodd y Cabinet y penodiadau a fanylir ym mharagraff 4.1 yr adroddiad.

**118. POLISI YMDDYGIAD AFRESYMOL/ACHWYNWYR BLINDERUS**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi Corfforaethol adroddiad ar y Polisi Ymddygiad Afresymol neu Achwynydd Blinderus diwygiedig i'w gymeradwyo. Eglurodd fod y Cabinet wedi cymeradwyo Polisi Ymddygiad Afresymol a Chwynion Blinderus ym mis Ionawr 2019. Fodd bynnag, nid oedd ymddygiad afresymol tuag at gynrychiolwyr y Cyngor wedi ei gyfyngu i gwynion a gallai godi yn fwy cyffredinol o wasanaethau sy'n rhyngweithio â'r cyhoedd, sef yr hyn a welwyd yn fwy diweddar. Roedd y polisi sydd ynghlwm â'r adroddiad wedi'i ddiwygio i gydnabod, er y byddai'r Cyngor yn parhau i ymateb i gwynion yn agored ac yn dryloyw, roedd ganddo set glir o werthoedd ac ni fyddai'n goddef ymddygiad afresymol na chamdriniol tuag at ei staff, Aelodau Etholedig nac unrhyw drydydd parti.

Eglurodd y Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi Corfforaethol y cefndir i 3 achwynydd penodol a'u cyswllt gormodol â'r Cyngor ymhellach.

Eglurodd yr Aelod Cabinet dros Genedlaethau'r Dyfodol nad atal unrhyw un o'r fwrdeistref rhag codi pryderon oedd bwriad yr adroddiad, ond bod yr adroddiad yn ymwneud â'r nifer fechan iawn o gwynion a oedd wedi dechrau cael effaith ar iechyd a llesiant swyddogion ac Aelodau. Fel awdurdod, roedd dyletswydd i wneud yn siŵr bod pawb yn y gweithlu'n cael eu diogelu. Roedd wedi treulio peth amser yn ddiweddar gyda chydweithwyr yn y gwasanaeth cwsmer ar y ddesg flaen, ac wedi'u harsylwi'n gwneud gwaith anhygoel wrth gynnig gwasanaeth anhygoel. Roeddent yn cyflwyno gwybodaeth am dros 800 o wasanaethau roedd y Cyngor yn eu cynnig, ac roedd ganddynt yr hawl i weithio a theimlo'n ddiogel.

Ychwanegodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd ei bod yn bwysig rhoi mesurau ar waith i ddiogelu staff ac aelodau er mwyn sicrhau nad oeddent yn destun camdriniaeth.

Cytunodd yr Arweinydd nad oedd trin staff yn y ffordd a welwyd yn ddiweddar yn dderbyniol, a phe bai'r ymddygiad yn mynd yn afresymol, byddant yn ymateb i hynny, a'n cysylltu â Heddlu De Cymru pe bai angen.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Cymeradwyodd y Cabinet y Polisi diwygiedig sydd ynghlwm ag Atodiad 1 yr adroddiad.

119. **ADRODDIADAU GWYBODAETH I'W NODI**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi Corfforaethol adroddiad yn rhoi gwybod i'r Cabinet am unrhyw adroddiadau gwybodaeth a gyhoeddwyd ers y cyfarfod a drefnwyd ddiwethaf. Dim ond un adroddiad oedd wedi'i gyhoeddi, a hynny'n ymwneud â Deddf Rheoleiddio Pwerau Ymchwilio 2000 (RIPA). Cadarnhaodd bod y polisi RIPA wedi'i adolygu a'i fod yn cael ei ystyried yn addas i'r diben ar gyfer y cyfnod nesaf.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Cydnabu'r Cabinet gyhoeddiad y ddogfen a restrir yn yr adroddiad hwn.

120. **EITEMAU BRYD**

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121. **EITHRIO'R CYHOEDD**

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y cyhoedd, dan Adran 100A (4) Deddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972, fel y'i diwygiwyd gan Orchymyn Llywodraeth Leol (Mynediad at Wybodaeth) (Amrywio) (Cymru) 2007, yn cael eu heithrio o'r cyfarfod wrth ystyried yr eitem nesaf o fusnes, gan iddo gynnwys gwybodaeth esempt fel y diffinnir ym Mharagraff 14 o Ran 4 a Pharagraff 21 o Ran 5 Atodlen 12A y Ddeddf.

Ar ôl cymhwyso'r prawf budd cyhoeddus, penderfynwyd, yn unol â'r Ddeddf y cyfeirir ati uchod, i ystyried yr eitem ganlynol yn breifat, gyda'r cyhoedd wedi'i heithrio o'r cyfarfod, gan yr ystyrid, ym mhob amgylchiadau sy'n ymwneud â'r eitem, bod y budd cyhoeddus

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o gynnal yr eithriad yn drech na'r budd cyhoeddus o ddatgelu'r wybodaeth.

122. **CYMERADWYO COFNODION WEDI'U HEITHRIO**

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Derbyn cofnodion cyfarfod y Cabinet a gynhaliwyd ar 13 Rhagfyr 2022 fel rhai gwir a chywir.

Daeth y cyfarfod i ben am 17:30

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**COFNODION CYFARFOD Y CABINET A GYNHALIWYD YN HYBRID YN SIAMBR Y  
CYNGOR, SWYDDFEYDD DINESIG, STRYD YR ANGEL, PEN-Y-BONT AR OGWR, CF31  
4WB DYDD MAWRTH, 7 CHWEFROR 2023, AM 14:30**

**Presennol**

Y Cyngorydd HJ David – Cadeirydd

JC Spanswick  
HM Williams

N Farr  
JPD Blundell

W R Goode

J Gebbie

**Swyddogion:**

Rachel Keepins	Rheolwr Gwasanaethau Democrataidd
Carys Lord	Prif Swyddog - Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid
Claire Marchant	Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol - Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles
Kelly Watson	Prif Swyddog – Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol, Adnoddau Dynol a Rheoleiddio
Mark Shephard	Prif Weithredwr
Lindsay Harvey	Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol – Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd
Michael Pitman	Swyddog Gwasanaethau Democrataidd – Pwyllgorau

123. **DATGANIADAU O FUDDIANT**

Y Cyngorydd Blundell – Buddiant Rhagfarnus– Eitem 12  
Y Cyngorydd Spanswick – Buddiant Rhagfarnus– Eitem 11

124. **CYMERADWYO COFNODION**

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod cofnodion cyfarfod 12/01/23 yn cael eu cymeradwyo fel cofnod gwir a chywir.

125. **STRATEGAETH ARIANNOL TYMOR CANOLIG 2023-24 I 2026-27 A'R BROSES YMGYNGHORI AR Y GYLLIDEB DDRAFFT**

Cyflwynodd Cadeirydd y Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu Corfforaethol adroddiad a oedd yn cyflwyno canfyddiadau ac argymhellion y Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu Corfforaethol i'r Cabinet mewn perthynas ag:

- a) adroddiad Panel Ymchwil a Gwerthuso'r Gyllideb mewn perthynas â'r Strategaeth Ariannol Tymor Canolig;
- b) y sylwadau ac argymhellion gan y pedwar Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu mewn perthynas â'r Strategaeth Ariannol Tymor Canolig drafft gan gynnwys y pwysau cyllidebol arfaethedig a chynigion i leihau cyllidebau, fel rhan o'r broses ymgynghori ar y gyllideb

Amlygodd y Cadeirydd Craffu fod y Panel Ymchwil a Gwerthuso Cyllideb wedi cyfarfod ar bedwar achlysur drwy'r flwyddyn, a thrafod cynigion drafft y gyllideb ar gyfer y flwyddyn 2023-24. Roedd crynodeb o'r trafodaethau a'r wybodaeth a'r cyngor a ddarparwyd i'r Panel Ymchwil a Gwerthuso Cyllideb yn adran 3 o'r adroddiad.

Cynghorodd fod pob un o'r pedwar Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu wedi'u cyflwyno gyda'r Strategaeth Ariannol Tymor Canolig drafft 2023-24 Tudalen 9 i 2026-27 a gofynnwyd iddynt ystyried yr wybodaeth a gafodd ei chynnwys yn yr adroddiad sy'n berthnasol i'r cylychoedd gwaith unigol a phenderfynu a ydynt am wneud sylwadau neu argymhellion

i'w cydgrynhoi a'u cynnwys yn yr adroddiad i'r Cabinet ar y Strategaeth ariannol Tymor Canolig fel rhan o'r broses ymgynghori â'r gyllideb.

Ychwanegodd y Cadeirydd Craffu fod y Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu Corfforaethol yn ystyried canfyddiadau'r Panel Ymchwil a Gwerthuso Cyllideb a'r pedwar Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu ar 31 Ionawr 2023 a chytunodd i'w cyflwyno i'r Cabinet, fel rhan o'r broses ymgynghori ar y gyllideb 2023- 24, ynghyd ag ychwanegu Argymhelliad 9 yn Atodiad B. Mae sylwadau ac argymhellion y Pwyllgor Ymchwil a Gwerthuso Cyllideb a'r Pwyllgorau Craffu i'w gweld yn yr atodiadau i'r adroddiad.

Tynnodd Aelodau'r Cabinet sylw at bwysigrwydd y Pwyllgor Ymchwil a Gwerthuso Cyllideb a'r cyfraniad maen nhw'n ei wneud i'r broses o osod y gyllideb. Diolchodd Aelodau'r Cabinet i'r Pwyllgorau Trosolwg a Chraffu a'r Pwyllgor Ymchwil a Gwerthuso Cyllideb am eu hargymhellion i'r Cabinet eu hystyried

Gofynnodd yr Arweinydd i'r Cadeirydd Craffu ar fwy o fanylion ynghylch Argymhelliad 8, yn benodol a oedd yn ymwneud ag unrhyw beth penodol neu a oedd yn bwynt cyffredinol. Dywedodd y Cadeirydd Craffu y byddai angen iddo drafod gyda Chadeirydd y Pwyllgor Ymchwil a gwerthuso Cyllideb a chydweithwyr eraill ar y pwynt hwn.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bu'r Cabinet hwnnw yn ystyried ac yn ymateb i argymhellion y Pwyllgor Trosolwg a Chraffu Corfforaethol, mewn ymateb i Strategaeth Ariannol Tymor Canolig 2023-24 i 2026-27 a'r Broses Ymgynghori Cyllideb Ddrafft.

126. **RHEOLI'R TRYSORLYS - ADRODDIAD CHWARTER 3 2022-23**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog, Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid adroddiad a oedd wedi:

- rhoi diweddariad i'r Cabinet ar sefyllfa Chwarter 3 ar gyfer gweithgareddau rheoli'r trysorlys a dangosyddion rheoli'r trysorlys ar gyfer 2022-23.
- amlygu cydymffurfiaeth â pholisïau ac arferion y Cyngor.

Esboniodd fod y Cyngor wedi cydymffurfio â'i ofynion deddfwriaethol a rheoleiddiol yn ystod y cyfnod rhwng 1 Ebrill a 31 Rhagfyr 2022. Dangoswyd crynodeb o weithgareddau rheoli'r trysorlys ar gyfer Ebrill 2022 - Rhagfyr 2022 yn Nhabl 1 yn Atodiad A. Ychwanegodd fod Atodiad A yn cynnwys manylion am y Strategaeth Fenthyca ac Alldro ar gyfer 1 Ebrill i 30 Rhagfyr 2022 yn ogystal â'r Strategaeth Fuddsoddi a safle 1 Ebrill i 31 Rhagfyr 2022.

Dywedodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid mai ar hyn o bryd, y rhagwelwyd nad oeddem yn debygol o fenthyg yn y flwyddyn ariannol bresennol yn seiliedig ar fonitro Chwarter 3 y rhaglen gyfalaf.

Dywedodd yr Aelod Cabinet Adnoddau fod cyfraddau llog wedi cynyddu nawr bod y gyfradd sylfaenol wedi cynyddu. Gofynnodd sut y byddai hyn yn effeithio ar ein rheolaeth trysorlys yn y tymor byr i'r tymor canolig.

Esboniodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid fod y cyfraddau llog wedi newid mwy eleni na'r blynyddoedd blaenorol gyda'i gilydd. Dywedodd y byddai'r effaith mewn perthynas â'n buddsoddiadau ac ein bod ni'n dechrau gweld cynnydd yn y llog ar yr arian yr ydym wedi ei fuddsoddi. Gyda'r cyfraddau llog yn newid mor aml mae hyn yn gwneud proffwydoliaethau o incwm tebygol a enillir yn anodd y tu hwnt i'r tymor byr.

Gofynnodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd a oedd yr ad-daliadau, mewn perthynas â'r benthyciadau a roddwyd i Gyngor Thurrock, yn unol â'r amserlen ac yn cydymffurfio. Esboniodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid fod y ddau fenthyciad i Gyngor Thurrock i'w hadalu'r flwyddyn ariannol hon.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y Cabinet wedi nodi gweithgareddau rheoli trysorlys y Cyngor ar gyfer 2022-23 am y cyfnod 1 Ebrill 2022 i 31 Rhagfyr 2022 a'r Dangosyddion Rheoli Trysorlys rhagamcanol ar gyfer 2022-23

127. **CANLYNIAD YMGYNGHORIAD 'LLUNIO DYFODOL PEN-Y-BONT AR OGWR' 2022**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid adroddiad i'r Cabinet ar ganlyniad ymgynghoriad cyllideb 'Llunio Dyfodol Pen-y-bont a'r Ogwr' 2022 a oedd yn gofyn barn dinasyddion ar yr hyn maen nhw'n ei ystyried a ddylai fod y meysydd blaenoriaeth ar gyfer dyrannu'r gyllideb ar gyfer y flwyddyn ariannol sydd i ddod, ac archwilio'r safbwyntiau hynny yn erbyn cyllid a ddarperir gan Lywodraeth Cymru.

Esboniodd fod yr adroddiad ymgynghori atodedig yn nodi'n fanwl y safbwyntiau a fynegwyd gan y rhai a gymerodd ran. Yn gyffredinol, derbyniodd yr ymgynghoriad 1,441 o ryngweithio o gyfuniad o gwblhau arolygon, presenoldeb mewn digwyddiadau ymgysylltu (sesiynau galw heibio wyneb yn wyneb), ymgysylltu â'r cyfryngau cymdeithasol a thrwy Banel Dinasyddion y Cyngor. Darparwyd rhagor o fanylion yn Atodiad A yr adroddiad.

Diolchodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd i aelodau'r cyhoedd a fu'n ymgysylltu â'r ymgynghoriad. Roedd hi'n falch o weld bod y gwasanaethau cymdeithasol yn cael eu hystyried yn rhif 2 ym mlaenoriaethau pobol oedd yn sylweddol uwch na'r blynyddoedd blaenorol. Mae'n dangos bod y cyhoedd yn cydnabod pwysigrwydd y gwasanaethau cymdeithasol a'r effaith y mae'n eu cael ar y bobl fwyaf bregus ym Mhen-y-bont ar Ogwr.

Adleisiodd adnoddau aelodau'r Cabinet y sylwadau hyn gan bwysleisio pwysigrwydd ymgysylltu â'r cyhoedd. Roedd yn falch bod yr ymgysylltu hyd yn oed yn uwch na'r blynyddoedd blaenorol.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Nododd y Cabinet ganlyniad yr ymgynghoriad gyda phartion â diddordeb fel y manylir yn yr adroddiad ymgynghori atodedig.

128. **COD LLYWODRAETHU CORFFORAETHOL**

Cyflwynodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid adroddiad ar God Llywodraethu Corfforaethol diwygiedig y Cyngor i'w gymeradwyo a'i fabwysiadu.

Dywedodd fod y Cod diwygiedig ynghlwm yn Atodiad A o'r adroddiad ac amlygodd newidiadau a oedd yn cynnwys camau a oedd yn dangos llywodraethu da a thystiolaeth a oedd yn cefnogi'r camau hynny. Roedd y Cod wedi'i adolygu gan y Bwrdd Rheoli Corfforaethol.

Mae'r Cod Llywodraethu Corfforaethol yn seiliedig ar y saith egwyddor graidd fel y nodi'r yn Fframwaith y Sefydliad Siartredig Cyllid Cyhoeddus a Chyfrifyddiaeth (CIPFA) a amlygwyd yn rhan 4.2 o'r adroddiad.

Croesawodd yr Arweinydd yr adroddiad gan bwysleisio gwerth y Pwyllgor Llywodraethiant ac Archwilio, eu hystyriaeth o'r adroddiad hwn a'r aelodau Annibynnol a'u rôl werthfawr ar y Pwyllgor. Dywedodd ein bod bob amser yn edrych ar ffyrdd o wella ein llywodraethu corfforaethol a bod yr adroddiad hwn yn adlewyrchiad o hynny.

Gofynnodd yr Aelod Cabinet Cymunedau mewn perthynas â thudalen 102 o'r pecyn lle mae'n ei nodi mewn rhaglenni pleidleisio ap a di-bapur. Gofynnodd ble roedden ni ar hyn. Dywedodd y Swyddog Monitro fod hyn yn rhywbeth oedd yn cael ei archwilio a'i ddatblygu a'i fod yn gobeithio rhoi diweddariad i'r Cabinet yn y dyfodol agos.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y Cabinet yn ystyried a chymeradwyo'r Cod Llywodraethu Corfforaethol diwygiedig.

129. **CYNLLUN EIDDO GWAG CENEDLAETHOL**

Rhoddodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid adroddiad i gadarnhau cyfranogiad yng Nghynllun Eiddo Gwag Cenedlaethol Llywodraeth Cymru a cheisio cymeradwyaeth gan y Cabinet i ymrwymo i Gytundeb Lefel Gwasanaeth gyda Chyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Rhondda Cynon Taf yn awdurdod arweiniol i'r Cynllun Eiddo Gwag Cenedlaethol.

Esboniodd ar 17 Tachwedd 2022 fod y Gweinidog Newid Hinsawdd, wedi ysgrifennu at bob awdurdod lleol i'w hysbysu bod Llywodraeth Cymru wedi rhoi cymeradwyaeth i gynllun cenedlaethol ar gyfer cartrefi gwag newydd, gan adeiladu ar y cynllun tai gwag blaenorol a ddarperir fel rhan o dasglu'r Cymoedd. Cadarnhaodd fod Llywodraeth Cymru yn ymrwymo £50miliwn i'r cynllun sy'n cael ei rannu'n gyfartal dros 2 flynedd, 2023-24 a 2024- 25. Darparwyd rhagor o fanylion yn adran 3 yr adroddiad

Esboniodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid y bydd y cynllun hwnnw'n gweithredu'n llawn o 1 Ebrill 2023, ond mae Llywodraeth Cymru yn bwriadu lansio'r cynllun ar 30 Ionawr 2023 er mwyn gallu dechrau prosesu ceisiadau yn arwain at 2023-24. Nodwyd prif delerau'r cynllun yn adran 3.6 yr adroddiad.

Gofynnodd i'r Aelodau gadarnhau cyfranogiad yn y cynllun a chytuno i ymrwymo i'r Cytundeb Lefel Gwasanaeth gyda Rhondda Cynon Taf i gymryd rhan yn y cynllun a sicrhau cydymffurfiaeth â thelerau ac amodau Llywodraeth Cymru. Gofynnwyd i'r aelodau ddirprwyo pwerau i'r Prif Swyddog, Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid a'r Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol, Adnoddau Dynol a Rheoleiddio i gwblhau trafodaethau ac arwyddo'r gwaith papur angenrheidiol.

Croesawodd Aelod Cabinet Cenedlaethau'r Dyfodol yr adroddiad gan ddweud ei fod yn mynd law yn llaw gydag adroddiad oedd i'w gyflwyno i'r Cyngor ar 8 Chwefror 2023 ar y premiymau Eiddo Gwag Hirdymor ar dasg y Cyngor. Braff oedd gweld bod Llywodraeth Cymru yn cydnabod pwysigrwydd annog perchnogion eiddo i fuddsoddi yn eu heiddo er mwyn sicrhau eu defnydd priodol.

Ategodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd y sylwadau hyn, ac yn credu y byddai'r dreth cyngor ychwanegol y gellid ei chael o'r tai yma o fudd i gymunedau lleol ac roedd yn gam cadarnhaol ymlaen o ran sicrhau bod mwy o dai ar gael i'w defnyddio ym Mhen-y-bont.

Dywedodd yr Arweinydd fod nifer o grantiau a chynlluniau wedi bod dros y blynyddoedd yn ymwneud â dod â thai gwag ac eiddo yn ôl i ddefnydd. Gofynnodd a fyddai'r Cytundeb Lefel Gwasanaeth hwn yn disodli'r rhain.

Dywedodd y Prif Swyddog Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid fod nifer o wahanol fentrau a ffrydiau cyllido a fydd yn aros ar waith pan fydd hyn yn cael ei gyflwyno ym mis Ebrill, er enghraifft, mae gan Lywodraeth Cymru gynllun Cartrefi i'r Cartref sy'n darparu benthyciadau i gefnogi preswylwyr yn ogystal â grantiau eiddo gwag a all helpu pobl i addasu eiddo os oes angen. Byddai'r Cytundeb Lefel Gwasanaeth yn ychwanegol at y rhai presennol.

Awgrymodd yr Arweinydd fod gwybodaeth o'r grantiau hyn ar gael ar wefan y Cyngorau er lles y preswylwyr.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y Cabinet yn dirprwyo awdurdod i'r Prif Swyddog, Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid a'r Prif Swyddog Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol, Adnoddau Dynol a Rheoleiddio i:

- 9.1.1 trafod a ffurfio cytundeb lefel gwasanaeth gyda Rhondda Cynon Taf fel awdurdod arweiniol i'r Cynllun Eiddo Gwag Cenedlaethol;
- 9.1.2 cymeradwyo unrhyw estyniad neu welliant i'r cytundeb lefel gwasanaeth ac i ymrwymo i unrhyw weithredoedd a dogfennau pellach sy'n ategol i'r cytundeb lefel gwasanaeth.

130. **ADOLYGU'R POLISI GWASANAETHAU CYMDEITHASOL A GORUCHWYLIO LLES**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles adroddiad a oedd yn rhoi trosolwg i'r Cabinet o'r adolygiad o'r polisi Goruchwylio a'r canllawiau sydd wedi bod ar waith ers yr adolygiad blaenorol ym mis Mawrth 2018 gan ofyn am gymeradwyaeth i ddisodli'r polisi gwreiddiol a sefydlwyd yn 2010 gyda 2 bolisi newydd.

Eglurodd fod yr adolygiad wedi ei gwblhau yn dilyn archwiliad o weithgaredd goruchwylio a gwblhawyd yn 2021 a sefydlodd anghysondebau mewn ymarfer, cwblhau a chofnodi. Darparwyd rhagor o fanylion yn adran 3 yr adroddiad

Pwysleisiodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles yr ardaloedd a amlygwyd fel rhan o'r adolygiad a oedd yn fanwl yn Adran 4 yr adroddiad. Tynnodd sylw at y ffaith, yn dilyn yr ymgynghoriad, y cytunwyd rhannu'r polisi yn ddwy ran, un ar gyfer y rhai sy'n benodol yn gweithio mewn gwasanaethau gofal uniongyrchol, a'r llall ar gyfer y rhai sy'n gweithio ar draws gweddill y gyfarwyddiaeth Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant. Cafodd y prif wahaniaethau rhwng y polisiâu eu hamlinellu ar 4.7 o'r adroddiad. Ychwanegodd fod y polisiâu llawn yn cael eu darparu fel atodiadau i'r adroddiad.

Croesawodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd yr adroddiad gan ddiolch i Claire Holt am roi'r polisiâu at ei gilydd. Ychwanegodd ei bod yn braf gweld y polisiâu yn cael eu datblygu ar y cyd â'r gweithlu gan mai dyma'r defnyddwyr y bydd yn berthnasol iddynt. Dywedodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd fod rhai gwelliannau sylweddol eisoes wedi'u gweld yn enwedig gyda'r adolygiad ymarfer plant, gan mai un o'r pwyntiau a amlygwyd oedd y diffyg goruchwyliaeth briodol ac ystyriol. Tynnodd sylw at yr adborth a roddwyd gan un o'r swyddogion oedd wedi gweld manteision o'r newidiadau.

Tynnodd Aelod Adfywio'r Cabinet sylw at bwysigrwydd goruchwyliaeth reolaidd i adlewyrchu ar yr arfer a'r achosion yn arbennig gyda materion cymhleth. Gofynnodd i'r Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol a oedd y polisi yn nodi pa mor aml y dylai goruchwyliaeth ddigwydd, ac a oedd gwiriadau yn eu lle a fyddai'n tynnu sylw at y ffaith pe bai toriad wedi bod.

Nododd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles fod y polisiâu wedi nodi'r amllder, ar gyfer staff gofal di-uniongyrchol roedd hyn bob 4-6 wythnos ac mae'r system Wybodaeth Gofal Cymunedol Cymru (WCCIS) yn galluogi recordio os yw goruchwyliaeth wedi digwydd ai peidio. Gofynnwyd cwestiynau pellach gan yr Arweinydd a'r Cabinet ac fe'u hatebwyd gan y cyfarwyddwr corfforaethol sydd i'w weld ar y recordiad [yma](#).

**DATRYSWYD:** Bod grant y Cabinet yn cymeradwyo'r ddau bolisi; Polisi goruchwylio staff: a chanllawiau ymarfer: Gweithlu Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles (atodiad 1) a chanllawiau polisi ac ymarfer goruchwylio staff: Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Gwasanaethau Gofal Uniongyrchol y Gweithlu Lles (atodiad 2) yn lle polisi Goruchwylio Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles 2018.

**131. ADNEWYDDU CYTUNDEB ADRAN 33 AR GYFER OFFER CYMUNEDOL**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol - Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles adroddiad a oedd yn

1. ceisio cymeradwyaeth adnewyddu Cytundeb Adran 33 ar gyfer cyflenwi offer cymunedol;
2. ceisio awdurdod i atal Rheolau Gweithdrefn Contractau'r Cyngor mewn perthynas â'r gofyniad i gaffael y gwasanaethau a ddarperir gan Gyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Rhondda Cynon Taf yn gystadleuol o dan y cytundeb; a
3. gofyn am gymeradwyaeth i benodi'r Rheolwr Gwasanaethau Cymunedol Integredig (CRT) fel cynrychiolydd Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr ar gyfer y Bwrdd Partneriaeth Offer Cymunedol.

Eglurodd fod gwasanaeth offer cymunedol yn darparu ystod eang o offer ar hyn o bryd e.e. cymhorthion i fyw bob dydd, cartref, offer nyrsio, seddi statig, offer i blant, offer ffisiotherapi, offer synhwyrdd, ayyb i gynorthwyo oedolion a phlant yn eu cartref eu hunain. Sefydlwyd Cytundeb Adran 33 am y tro cyntaf yn 2008. Roedd cefndir pellach yn adran 3 o'r adroddiad.

Dywedodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol nad yw'r egwyddorion arfaethedig o fewn y cytundeb yn newid yn sylfaenol, er bod amserlen y cytundeb newydd yn 10 mlynedd gydag opsiwn i ymestyn am 2 flynedd arall.

Croesawodd y Dirprwy Arweinydd yr adroddiad gan bwysleisio pwysigrwydd y gwasanaeth partneriaeth hwn i breswylwyr. Roedd yn wasanaeth na fyddai llawer yn gwybod oedd yno oni bai eu bod yn ei dderbyn a gofynnodd a oedd unrhyw drigolion yn gofyn i'r gwasanaeth yma gysylltu a gallwn eu pwyntio i'r cyfeiriad cywir. Ategodd yr Arweinydd hyn ac ychwanegodd ei fod wedi gweld twf yn y galw am y gwasanaeth hwn, a oedd yn dangos ymhellach y rheidwydd ar ei gyfer.

Gofynnwyd cwestiynau pellach gan y Cabinet ac fe'u hatebwyd gan y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y Cabinet:

- wedi ystyried cynnwys yr adroddiad hwn a chytunodd i adnewyddu Cytundeb Adran 33 ar gyfer darparu Offer Cymunedol;
- yn cymeradwyo awdurdod i atal Rheolau Gweithdrefn Contractau'r Cyngor mewn perthynas â'r gofyniad i gaffael y gwasanaethau a ddarperir gan Gyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Rhondda Cynon Taf yn gystadleuol o dan y cytundeb; ac
- awdurdod dirprwyedig i'r Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol - Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant, mewn ymgynghoriad â'r Prif Swyddog - Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid a Swyddog Adran 151, a Phrif Swyddog - Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddio, AD a Pholisi Corfforaethol, i gytuno ar delerau terfynol

cytundeb Adran 33 diwygiedig ac i ymrwymo i'r cytundeb hwnnw ar ran y Cyngor;  
a

- Chymeradwyo penodi'r Rheolwr Gwasanaethau Cymunedol Integredig fel cynrychiolydd Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr ar gyfer y Bwrdd Partneriaeth Offer Cymunedol.

132. **GWASANAETH A REOLIR - GWASANAETHAU PLANT**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant adroddiad a oedd yn gofyn am gymeradwyaeth y Cabinet i ddyfarnu contract 'gwasanaeth a reolir' yn uniongyrchol i sefydliad annibynnol sy'n darparu'r gwasanaeth yng Ngwasanaethau Plant Cyngor Bwrdeistref Sirol Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr ar hyn o bryd, er mwyn sicrhau parhad mewn trefniadau diogelu plant. Gofynnir i gymeradwyaeth y Cabinet atal rhannau perthnasol Rheolau Gweithdrefn Contract y Cyngor o ran y gofyniad i ail-dendro'r elfen 'gwasanaeth a reolir' o'r contract a fanylir yn yr adroddiad hwn.

Rhoddodd gefndir i'r adroddiad fel y nodir yn adran 3 o'r adroddiad. Ers gweithredu tîm a reolir gan Innovate, mae hysbysebu am swyddi gwag parhaol yn nhîm Gwybodaeth, Cyngor a Chymorth wedi bod yn parhau. Ar hyn o bryd, er gwaethaf y tîm ychwanegol a weithredwyd yn a tîm Gwybodaeth, Cyngor a Chymorth, mae'r gyfradd swyddi gwag yn parhau i fod yn uchel ar 50%, sy'n cynyddu i 60% unwaith y bydd absenoldeb yn cael ei ystyried.

Mae swyddogion sy'n cynnwys cynrychiolaeth o nifer o feysydd allweddol, gan gynnwys Gwasanaethau Plant, Comisiynu, Caffael a Chyfreithiol wedi cwrdd i ystyried a gwneud asesiad risg/gwerthu o'r opsiynau tymor byr ar gyfer sicrhau gwasanaethau y tu hwnt i 18 Mawrth. Darparwyd rhagor o fanylion yn adran 4 yr adroddiad

Nododd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles, er mwyn sicrhau parhad a gwybodaeth am y darparwr presennol, cynigir bod y Cabinet yn atal rhannau perthnasol Rheolau Gweithdrefn Contract y Cyngor - sy'n gofyn am ymarfer caffael cystadleuol yn unol â gofynion rheoliadau contract cyhoeddus 2015 - ac yn cytuno i ddyfarnu'r contract gwasanaeth a reolir i'r darparwr cyfredol am gyfnod o 12 mis o 18 Mawrth 2023, gydag opsiwn ar gyfer dau estyniad 12 misol arall, i ddarparu'r hyblygrwydd mwyaf posibl o ystyried y farchnad heriol iawn ar gyfer recriwtio gwaith cymdeithasol parhaol. Darparwyd rhagor o fanylion yn adran 4 yr adroddiad

Ychwanegodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Lles ei bod yn heriol ac yn annhebygol o lenwi'r holl swyddi hyn yn y dyfodol agos o ganlyniad i'r heriau roedd pob awdurdod lleol yn eu hwynebu o ran recriwtio gweithwyr cymdeithasol a'r lefel uchel o swyddi gwag yn ein cyngor.

Gwnaeth y Dirprwy Arweinydd groesawu'r adroddiad, gan ddweud bod tîm y gwasanaeth dan reolaeth wedi bod yn allweddol yn ein gwelliannau ymarfer ym Mhen-y-bont. Roedd yr angen am lif parhaus o weithwyr cymdeithasol yn bwysig er mwyn sicrhau bod gwasanaeth yn cael ei ddarparu'n ddiogel ac effeithiol.

Gofynnwyd cwestiynau pellach i'r Cabinet ac fe'u hatebwyd gan y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y Cabinet:

- yn cymeradwyo ymataliaeth y gwasanaeth a reolir gyda'r darparwr gwasanaeth presennol Innovate Gwasanaethau Plant a Phobl Ifanc;

- yn atal y rhannau perthnasol o Reolau Gweithdrefn Contract y Cyngor mewn perthynas â'r gofyniad ynghylch ail-dendro'r contract arfaethedig; ac
- wedi dirprwyo awdurdod i'r Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol – Gwasanaethau Cymdeithasol a Llesiant, mewn ymgynghoriad â'r Prif Swyddog – Cyllid, Perfformiad a Newid ac Adran 151, a Phrif Swyddog – Gwasanaethau Cyfreithiol a Rheoleiddiol, Adnoddau Dynol a Pholisi Corfforaethol, i ymrwymo i gontract ar gyfer y Gwasanaeth a Reolir am gyfnod o 12 mis o 18 Mawrth 2023, gydag opsiwn i ymestyn am ddau gyfnod pellach o 12 mis (uchafswm o 3 blynedd) ar yr amod bod gweithredu unrhyw opsiwn estyniad o'r fath yn amodol ar gymeradwyaeth ymlaen llaw gan y Cabinet. /Bwrdd Rheoli Corfforaethol ac ymgynghori â Chadeiryddion Craffu.

**133. PENODI LLYWODRAETHWYR AWDURDOD LLEOL**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd adroddiad a oedd yn gofyn am gymeradwyaeth gan y Cabinet i benodi llywodraethwyr yr awdurdod lleol i gyrrff llywodraethu'r ysgol a restrir ym mharagraff 4.1 a 4.2.

Dywedodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd fodd bynnag fod yr argymhellion ar gyfer penodi a restrwyd yn 4.1 ar gyfer Ysgol Gynradd Cwm Ogwr o ganlyniad i gamgymeriad gweinyddol, felly ni fydd unrhyw benodiad yn mynd yn ei flaen.

Tynnodd sylw at y penodiadau ar gyfer yr ysgolion sy'n weddill. Argymhellwyd, allan o'r ddau ymgeisydd am Ysgol Gyfun Bryntirion, y dylid penodi Mr Jeffrey Lewis ar gyfer y swydd hon.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Mae'r Cabinet hwnnw yn cymeradwyo'r penodiadau y manylir arnynt ym mharagraffau 4.1 a 4.2, yn amodol ar gael gwared ar y penodiad yn 4.1 ar gyfer Ysgol Gynradd Bro Ogwr oherwydd camgymeriad gweinyddol.

**134. POLISI DERBYN YSGOLION 2024-2025**

Cyflwynodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd adroddiad a oedd yn gofyn am gymeradwyaeth y Cabinet ar gyfer Polisi Derbyn Ysgolion 2024-2025 (gweler Atodiad A).

Esboniodd fod Fforwm Derbyn Pen-y-bont ar Ogwr wedi cytuno ar Bolisi Drafft Derbyn Ysgolion ar gyfer 2024- 2025, yn unol â'r gofynion o dan y Cod, ym mis Medi 2022. Cynhaliwyd ymgynghoriad rhwng 30 Tachwedd 2022 a 6 Ionawr 2023. Mynegwyd pryder ynglŷn â'r polisi gan ffurfioli cynnydd i nifer derbyn cyhoeddedig Ysgol Gynradd Caerau o 45 i 60.

Esboniodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chymorth i Deuluoedd fod yr ysgol wedi mabwysiadu 'nifer derbyn cyhoeddedig gweithio' o 60 ers nifer o flynyddoedd a bydd y newid hwn yn ffurfioli hyn wedyn. Darparwyd rhagor o fanylion yn adran 4 yr adroddiad

Dywedodd y Cyfarwyddwr Corfforaethol Addysg a Chefnogi Teuluoedd fod pryderon yn codi ynghylch cynyddu'r nifer o lefydd mewn ysgolion cyfrwng Saesneg mewn ardal heb nifer cyfatebol o lefydd cyfrwng Cymraeg hawdd i'w cyrraedd, gallai hyn gael effaith andwyol ar y niferoedd sy'n defnyddio lleoedd cyfrwng Cymraeg ac, o ganlyniad, yr iaith



Gymraeg. Mae Asesiad Effaith ar y Gymraeg wedi'i gynnal a oedd ynghlwm wrth Atodiad B.

Croesawodd yr Aelod Addysg o'r Cabinet yr adroddiad gan ddweud bod y mesur dros dro o gynyddu'r nifer derbyn cyhoeddedig i 60 ar gyfer Ysgol Gynradd Caerau am y ddwy flynedd ddiwethaf wedi bod oherwydd y galw a'r nifer o apelïadau am leoedd ysgol. Mae'r newid hwn yn cael ei ffurfioli yn yr adroddiad hwn ac nid oedd yn credu y byddai unrhyw draul i ysgolion cyfrwng Cymraeg gan fod cynnydd eisoes wedi bod mewn addysg Gymraeg ac mae cynllun CCSP dros y blynnyddoedd nesaf yn hwyluso hynny hefyd.

**PENDERFYNWYD:** Bod y Cabinet:

- yn cymeradwyo'r Polisi Derbyn Ysgolion 2024-2025 (gweler Atodiad A); a
- phenderfynu a ddylid cymeradwyo'r cynnydd ffurfiol yn y nifer derbyn cyhoeddedig ar gyfer Ysgol Gynradd Caerau o 45 i 60, gan gydnabod bod y cynnydd wedi'i weithredu ers nifer o flynyddoedd ac wrth ystyried yr effaith negyddol bosibl a nodwyd yn yr Asesiad Effaith ar y Gymraeg (Atodiad B) cysylltiedig.

135. **EITEMAU BRYD**

Dim.

136. **GWAHARDD Y CYHOEDD**

**PENDERFYNWYD:** O dan Adran 100A(4) o Ddeddf Llywodraeth Leol 1972 fel y'i diwygiwyd gan Orchymyn Llywodraeth Leol (Mynediad at Wybodaeth) (Amrywio) (Cymru) 2007, bod y cyhoedd yn cael eu gwahardd o'r cyfarfod wrth ystyried yr eitemau busnes a ganlyn gan eu bod yn cynnwys gwybodaeth wedi'i heithrio fel y'i diffinnir ym Mharagraff 14 o Ran 4 a Pharagraff 21 o Ran 5 Atodlen 12A y Ddeddf.

Yn dilyn cymhwyso prawf budd y cyhoedd, penderfynwyd, yn unol â'r Ddeddf y cyfeirir ati uchod, ystyried yr eitemau a ganlyn yn breifat, gyda'r cyhoedd yn cael eu gwahardd o'r cyfarfod, oherwydd fe dybid, ym mhob amgylchiad yn ymwneud â'r eitem, bod budd y cyhoedd o gadw'r eithriad yn drech na budd y cyhoedd o ddatgelu'r wybodaeth.

137. **PORTHCAWL METROLINK**

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES

#### RE-DEVELOPMENT OF COSY CORNER

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to seek approval from Cabinet to modify the Cosy Corner construction works contract in accordance with rule 3.3.6 of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives / other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:
- **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough.
  - **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** – taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives.
  - **Smarter use of resources** – ensuring that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 In October 2020 Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) were informed that Credu Charity Ltd had filed notice of intention to appoint administrators and had been informed by Welsh Government of the withdrawal of funding for what was known as The Maritime Centre project, funded through the Visit Wales Tourism Attractor Destination Programme (TAD). As a result of this BCBC terminated the agreement for the lease relating to the Maritime Centre at the Cosy Corner site and took back possession of the site on the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 2020. Some construction activity had commenced on the site and there were concerns with the health & safety risk that the half-completed foundations, various discarded building rubble and reinforced steel bars protruding from the ground, presented to the public. A risk assessment was undertaken by BCBC Health & Safety Officers and the site was secured

- 3.2 Following discussion with Welsh Government, officers undertook an outline appraisal of the short to medium term options available to BCBC to seek to access any possible remaining funds through the TAD programme for Cosy Corner.
- 3.3 In December, 2020 Cabinet authorised the Corporate Director, Communities, to develop and submit a proposal to access possible resources for improvements to Cosy Corner through the TAD programme.
- 3.4 In February 2021 BCBC received confirmation from Welsh Government that WEFO had completed the assessment of six of the nine criteria for assessment of operations / projects and requested that further information be supplied, in order to complete the remaining assessment stages. This was submitted and a revised grant offer letter was received on the 20 March 2021 giving authority to proceed.
- 3.5 In March 2021 Cabinet authorised the Corporate Director Communities to proceed at risk with the development of the remaining information required by WEFO and Welsh Government to utilise the already agreed direct match funding in order to secure a potential £1m grant.
- 3.6 In May 2021, BCBC concluded a procurement exercise and appointed architects with the required consultancy support to progress the project. The architects began producing the remaining information required by WEFO and Welsh Government taking the project up to RIBA stage 3 with the intention of giving greater cost certainty, confirmation of the level of match funding required, confirmation of deliverables for which State Aid cover would need to be considered and a forecast delivery profile.
- 3.7 A proposal was submitted to WEFO and Welsh Government in August 2021 and a further revised grant funding offer letter received on the 20 October 2021.
- 3.8 A planning application was submitted in November 2021 and planning permission for the redevelopment of the site was granted in February 2022.
- 3.9 In March 2022 BCBC invited tenders from suitable Principal Contractors which were evaluated in May 2022. Six bids were assessed and John Weaver Construction Limited was awarded the contract demonstrating their ability to deliver a high-quality development within the timescale set by the funders. The original contract value at award was £2,438,604.00.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

- 4.1 In August 2022 John Weaver Construction began mobilisation on site and the development commenced.
- 4.2 As part of the development BCBC commissioned the services of specialist Environmental Scientists to undertake further geo-environmental and geo-technical assessments of the ground conditions. Assessments had been carried out previously but this assessment would be a more intrusive study that would ratify the results of the previous assessments, ensuring the ground conditions remained suitable for the proposed development. The report made recommendations for specialist advice to be sought following detection of contamination, including asbestos, in the south portion of the site. What must be recognised at this point, is that this site was only passed back to BCBC upon lease relinquishment, on the 5<sup>th</sup> of November 2020. So

unfortunately, BCBC inherited any legacy contamination issues with the site, including a requirement for asbestos removal.

- 4.3 Since receiving the report the Principal Designers and Principal Contractors have liaised with various specialist consultants and undertaken further assessment of the ground conditions in the south portion of the site. Where possible, the workforce have been focusing their efforts on the construction of the building in the meantime while further assessments were undertaken and a remediation plan was devised.
- 4.4 Certain remediation works associated with testing and the removal of unsuitable material have been instructed to address the contamination and the existing contract with the Principal Contractors was modified in line with Contract Procedure Rule 3.3.6. The value of that modification was £100,000 and was authorised by the Corporate Director Communities in accordance with the Council's Scheme of Delegation under decision reference CMM-ED-23-023.
- 4.5 However, the period of time spent testing and clarifying the nature and extent of contamination has resulted in delays which, along with delays awaiting approvals from Welsh Water and associated design changes, have resulted in a period in the region of 12 weeks delay. As a result BCBC are now liable for an additional 12 weeks contractor costs. In addition, circa 2,000 tonnes of imported soil is needed to bring the site to formation level and replace site won material that was deemed unsuitable, as a result of potential asbestos contamination, along with the associated ground works and introduction of separation layer membranes. It is essential that the site is cleared of all legacy contamination and this would have been the case with whoever had been chosen to bring this site forward for development. Once identified the contamination has to be dealt with as specified by the specialist environmental consultants.
- 4.6 This has therefore created a need to modify the construction works contract to ensure that the completion of the building is prioritised first, to enable prospective tenants to access and fit out sooner and to support the requirements of the funder. The purpose of this Cabinet report is to seek approval to modify the construction works contract in line with Contract Procedure Rules, 3.3.6 to a value greater than £100,000 – the value that can be authorised by the Corporate Director Communities. This will allow officers to authorise what is currently considered to be the full and remaining package of works known to be required at this time to resolve the issues that have arisen and complete the works to a value of no greater than £265,790, with this value being the amount of funding still available within the capital envelope of the project in the Council's capital programme. It is considered that this additional work, as set out in paragraph 4.5 above, can be achieved well within the budget within the capital programme. The exact amount will not be known until the soil removal and replacement is complete, as only an approximation of 2,000 tonnes can be made at this time. It is considered however that variations on this may only be minor, so can be accommodated within the capital programme budget with little overall risk. This, taken with the previous modification valued at £100,000 made under decision reference CMM-ED-23-023, will result in a revised contract value of no greater than £2,804,394.
- 4.7 Rule 3.3.6 of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules provides that procured contracts may be modified without the requirement for a new procurement procedure where the value of the modification is below both of the following values: (i)

the relevant applicable financial thresholds contained in the Regulations, and (ii) 10% of the initial Contract Value for service and supply Contracts and 15% of the initial Contract Value for works Contracts, provided that the modification does not alter the overall nature of the Contract or Framework Agreement.

- 4.8 The proposed modification will not increase the value of the contract in excess of 15% of the original contract value and will result in a revised contract value no greater than £2,804,394.
- 4.9 The decision to approve the modification of the contract needs to be made to allow activity to continue on the site. Any further delay to the programme would potentially create a greater financial uplift to the project in the form of contractor preliminaries and may extend the contract further.
- 4.10 In addition, due to associated external funding grant awards, especially the European Regional Development Fund and associated terms and conditions, the Council is at an increased risk of grant clawback if work activity on site halts and the project cannot be delivered in line with funder timeframes. Together these potential implications would seriously prejudice the interests of the Council
- 4.11 It must be made clear however, that the request to increase the works contract still falls within the value of the Capital Programme approved by Council on 1 March 2023, therefore no further monies are required to support this request.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

- 5.1 There is no effect upon the Council's policy framework or procedure rules as a result of this report.

## **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

- 6.1 An initial Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) screening has identified that there would be no negative impact on those with one or more of the protected characteristics, on socio-economic disadvantage or the use of the Welsh language. It is therefore not necessary to carry out a full EIA on this policy or proposal at this stage.

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

- 7.1 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 Assessment Template has been completed and a summary of the implications from the assessment relating to the five ways of working is below:
- Long-term: By taking forward the improvement of Cosy Corner, BCBC is seeking to improve the area beyond its current condition for use and access in the long-term.
  - Prevention: Undertaking improvements to Cosy Corner will ensure that the condition of the site does not deteriorate further.
  - Integration: The proposal will achieve this way of working by recognising the approaches that are proposed for support are those that have been identified by internal and external stakeholders and the proposal itself will integrate with other existing activity in the area.

- Collaboration: Future action on Cosy Corner as outlined above will take place in collaboration with partners through the Harbour Operational Group and the Harbour Board.
- Involvement: Proposals relating to the future of Cosy Corner will be developed and delivered in close partnership with key stakeholders. Discussions and development with key BCBC officers will be undertaken.

## **8. Financial implications**

- 8.1 The request to increase the works contract falls within the Capital financial envelope for the Cosy Corner project within the Capital Programme approved by Council on 1 March 2023.

## **9. Recommendations**

- 9.1 Cabinet is recommended to:

- Authorise the modification of the Cosy Corner construction works contract to include additional works and services by the contractor which have and continue to be necessary since the initial procurement to a value of no greater than £265,790 and increase the contract value to a value of £2,804,394 in accordance with rules 3.3.6 of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules.

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES

#### WELL-MANAGED HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE A CODE OF PRACTICE 2016 -UK ROADS LIAISON GROUP, AND THE COUNTY SURVEYORS SOCIETY WALES (CSSW) RISK BASED APPROACH TO HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT

##### 1. Purpose of Report.

The purpose of this report is to obtain Cabinet approval of a revised safety inspection regime based on the recommendations of the UK Roads Liaison Group update of its code of practice, and an all Wales review and standardisation by County Surveyors' Society Wales (CSSW) to align with an all Wales approach to Highway Maintenance.

##### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

##### 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objective/objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:

**Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focused on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough. Maintenance of the public highway ensures that businesses can use the highway infrastructure and will ensure current and future businesses can expect the network to be maintained to commensurate standard with the rest of Wales and hence provide suitable links to the wider economies of Wales and the UK.

**Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives. the use of the public highway for walking/cycling ensures that residents have access to local facilities and encourages a healthy lifestyle. Maintenance of the highway asset ensures that the public have confidence in the condition/safety of the network to encourage their use by walking and cycling.

**Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives. The highway asset extends to all parts of the borough and consequently, the Capital and revenue budgets required to maintain these assets are a significant element of the Council's overall budget. The

well managed highway infrastructure code of practice and the CSSW review ensures that the maintenance of the highway is prioritised to ensure highway safety, but also targets the location and appropriate maintenance repairs/standards to provide best practice and efficiency for available funding.

### **3. Background.**

3.1 Bridgend County Borough Council, as Highway Authority, have a duty under section 41 Highways Act 1980 to maintain all publicly maintainable (adopted) highways.

3.2 The highway asset comprises:-

- 799km of carriageway
- 883km of footway
- 24,853 road gullies
- 101 road bridges
- 102 footbridges
- 155 retaining walls
- 103 culverts
- 13 subways
- 20,000 streetlights
- 419km of street lighting cabling
- 46 light controlled junctions
- 283 bus shelters
- 4.2km pedestrian barriers
- 15.6km safety fences
- 35 cattle grids

3.3 A failure to maintain the asset that results in damage could potentially lead to an action against a highway authority in respect of the resulting damage.

3.4 Regular and ad-hoc inspections are carried out on the highway asset by Bridgend County Borough Council. The purpose of such inspection is to ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that the highway asset is safe for use. A secondary benefit of formal inspection of the highway is to provide Bridgend County Borough Council with a defence under Section 58 Highways Act 1980 against actions and claims brought against the Authority.

3.5 The last significant review of the Code of Practice for Highway Maintenance was undertaken in 2005. The revised code was assessed by the Authority in 2006, and revised procedures and acceptance of the recommendations of the code were approved by Cabinet 12 December 2006.

3.6 A revised Code of Practice (the code) for Highways “Well Managed Highway Infrastructure” was published in October 2016 by the UK Roads Liaison Group. The revised code recommends the introduction of a risk-based approach to all aspects of highway maintenance.

3.7 In order to facilitate a nationally consistent response CSSW reviewed the code of practice and published a risk based methodology for authorities to follow which aligned with the practices set out in the code. This report presents the results on the

initial application of the method specifically to the highway asset in Bridgend County Borough Council.

3.8 Officers have assessed the CSSW Risk Based Approach methodology and associated assessment tools and undertaken a risk-based review of current BCBC highway asset hierarchy, inspection and repair regimes.

3.9 The outcome of the review recognised differences between the existing hierarchy, inspection and repair regimes and the risk-based approach, identifying where changes could be implemented to align with the CSSW methodology.

#### 4. Current situation/proposal.

##### 4.1 Asset Categorisation and inspection frequencies:-

4.2 The 2005 code for well-maintained highways provided the following hierarchy and inspection frequencies for carriageways and footways assessment: -

Carriageways	2005 Categorisation	BCBC Inspection Frequency
	1	Not Assigned
Strategic Route (motorway)	2	Not Assigned
Main distributor	3a	3 Months
Secondary Distributor	3b	3 Months
Link road	4a	6 Months
Local Access Road	4b	12 Months

Footways	2005 Categorisation	BCBC Inspection Frequency
PRIMARY WALKING ROUTE	1	1 month
SECONDARY WALKING ROUTE	2	3 months
LINK FOOTWAY	3	6 months
LOCAL ACCESS FOOTWAY	4	12 months

4.3 The CSSW code of practice review provides the following carriageway and footway classifications and inspection frequencies :-

<b>Carriageway Network Hierarchy Category</b>	<b>Traffic Volume Band (approx.) based on Annual average daily flow</b>	<b>Risk based Frequency</b>
CHSR -- Strategic Route	Based on local importance rather than traffic flow but often in the range >20,000 [30,000 for calculations]	Monthly
CH1 -- Main Distributor	10,000 to 20,000	Monthly
CH2 -- Secondary Distributor	5,000 - 10,000	3 months
CH3 -- Link Road	1,000 - 5,000	6 months
CH4 -- Local Access Road	200 – 1000	Annually
CH5 -- Minor Road	< 200	Reactive

<b>Footway Network Hierarchy Category</b>	<b>Footfall Level (indicative) based on Annual average daily flow</b>	<b>Risk-based Frequency</b>
FHVHU -- City Centre Pedestrian Area -	> 10,000 (15,000 used for calculations)	Not Assigned (19 days)
FH1 -- Town Centre Pedestrian Area	5,000 - 10,000	1 month
FH2 -- Footway Outside Public Facilities	1,000 - 5,000	3 months
FH3 -- Link Footway (between estates / areas)	500 - 1,000	6 months
FH4 -- Housing Estate Footway	< 500	12 months
FH5- Little Used Rural Footway	< 100	12 months

4.4 In specific relation to the risk-based assessment the categorisation for footways has identified that Bridgend County Borough Council does not have any footways with footfall levels equal to City Centre Pedestrian areas. Hence FHVHU (Footway Hierarchy with Very High Usage) is not used in the BCBC hierarchy and identified as Not Assigned.

#### **4.5 Defect intervention levels**

4.5.1 The CSSW code of practice risk-based review considered both carriageway and footway defect criteria.

4.5.2 The intervention levels of the risk-based methodology identifies two categories of intervention: safety-critical defects and maintenance defects.

4.5.3 Safety-critical defects require prompt attention because it is assessed as presenting an imminent hazard requiring intervention as soon as possible to remove a potential risk of injury to highway users. Examples of such risks creating a significant hazard could include reported severe potholing, dislodged manholes, gratings and kerbs. If it is not possible to correct or make safe the defect at the time of the inspection, repairs of a permanent or temporary nature should be carried out within the response time of 24hrs.

- 4.5.4 Maintenance defects are those assessed as not requiring immediate intervention but should be repaired in a specified timeframe. The code identifies this as being within 28 days to both prevent them deteriorating into a safety defect and deteriorating to such an extent that additional works or costs are incurred.
- 4.5.6 Details of the specific intervention levels for both safety-critical and maintenance defects is shown in Appendix A.
- 4.5.7 The major determinant in categorising a carriageway defect that is not immediately dangerous is how rapidly it may deteriorate into that state. The regime is designed to provide preventative repair such that defects that are assessed as potentially dangerous to users are minimised. There is also a need to repair defects that may cause property damage.
- 4.5.8 Roads that have been designed to current standards will invariably have a discreet layer of wearing course typically of a depth of up to 45mm. It is common for defects to initiate by a hole appearing in the wearing course. Where the layer below is intact the defect may remain relatively stable i.e. deterioration into a much larger defect less probable than for a defect that has already extended into the lower layers. A defect that is 50mm in depth will typically be deteriorating at both the wearing course and the underlying layer and as such is prone to more rapid deterioration. The risk-based regime is based upon differentiating between defects either side of this threshold.
- 4.5.9 Carriageway defects deteriorate quicker due to the continual usage by vehicles, and hence higher trafficked roads will receive a lower intervention criteria accordingly.
- 4.5.10 In considering appropriate intervention levels for footways it is the case that unlike carriageways deterioration is more likely to be a slower process, unless underlying issues arise. CSSW reviewed sources of information that focused on a risk-based approach and cite the TRL (Transport Research Laboratory) document “Published Project Report (PPR) 171 The Development of a Risk Analysis Model for Footways and Cycletracks”, which considered the probability of an accident happening per person passing a defect. From this exploration a 40mm defect was indicated as the starting point for Safety-Critical intervention level for footways.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework & procedure rules.**

- 5.1 The report does not have any impact upon policy framework and procedure rules.

## **6. Equality Impact 2010 Implications**

### **6.1 EIA screening – no impact identified**

An initial EIA screening has identified that there would be no negative impact on those with one or more of the protected characteristics, on socio-economic disadvantage or the use of the Welsh language. It is therefore not necessary to carry out a full EIA on this policy or proposal

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

- 7.1 A Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 assessment has been

completed. A summary of the implications from the assessment relating to the five ways of working is as follows:

- **Long-Term**

The scheme seeks to maintain the highway network, in accordance with current guidance to a consistent level with all Highway Authorities within Wales.

- **Prevention**

The scheme seeks to provide ensure as far as reasonably practicable that the highway network is safe for the use of the public/highway user.

- **Integration**

The provision will ensure a consistent standard of maintenance across the Borough for residents which may provide an economic and social benefit.

- **Collaboration**

The scheme has been supported by County Engineers and Surveyors Society who represent all local authorities in Wales and is consistent with the policies implemented by all highway authorities in W'ales.

- **Involvement**

The policy complies with National guidance and is not subject to consultation with the public. The standards set are in alignment with a consistent approach by all highway authorities in Wales and Bridgend County Borough Council officers' input into the CSSW assessment.

## **8. Financial Implications.**

8.1 Whilst the revised code does have implications for additional inspections, it is considered that the current staffing structure will be able to manage the increase in frequencies

8.2 It is not envisaged that the revised frequencies and intervention criteria will have an increase demand on the levels of repair works required on footways and carriageways over current resources, however this will be monitored.

## **9. Recommendation.**

9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet approve implementation the new safety inspection frequencies and defect intervention criteria.

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### Inspection frequency and intervention levels

CARRIAGEWAY CATEGORY		INSPECTION FREQUENCY	EMERGENCY SAFETY INTERVENTION LEVELS (24HR REPAIR) ---- PRIORITY 1			NON-EMERGENCY SAFETY INTERVENTION LEVELS (28 DAY REPAIR) ----PRIORITY 2		
			POTHoles	SUBSIDENCE OR RAISED AREAS (With a minimum actionable value of 75mm)	PROTRUDING IRON WORK	POTHoles/ VERTICAL DIFFERENCES IN LEVEL	SUBSIDENCE OR RAISED AREAS (With a minimum actionable value of 50mm)	PROTRUDING IRON WORK
CHSR	Strategic Route	1 MONTH	50mm	10%	25mm -	40mm	10%	35mm
CH1	Main Distributor	1 MONTH	50mm	10%	25mm -	40mm	10%	35mm
CH2	Secondary Distributor	3 MONTHS	50mm	10%	25mm -	40mm	10%	35mm
CH3	Link Road	6 MONTHS	75mm	20%	50mm -	40mm	10%	35mm
CH4	Local Access Road	12 MONTHS	75mm	20%	75mm -	40mm	10%	35mm
CH5	Minor Road	REACTIVE INSPECTIONS	75mm	20%	75mm	40mm	10%	35mm
FOOTWAY CATEGORY			TRIPS (VERTICAL DIFFERENCES IN LEVEL)			TRIPS (VERTICAL DIFFERENCES IN LEVEL)		
FH1	Town Centre Pedestrian Areas	1 MONTH	40mm	15%	25mm	25mm	15%	20mm
FH2	Footways Outside Public Buildings	3 MONTHS	40mm	15%	40mm	25mm	15%	20mm
FH3	Link Footway	6 MONTHS	40mm	30%	50mm	25mm	15%	20mm
FH4	Housing Estate Footway	12 MONTHS	40mm	30%	50mm	25mm	15%	20mm
FH5 --	Little Used Rural Footway	12 MONTHS	40mm	30%	50mm	25mm	15%	20mm

See notes over page

## **BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

### **Inspection frequency and intervention levels**

#### **NOTES:-**

1. For Priority 1 defects officers are to ensure that the defect is repaired within 24 hours, this may require contacting the works team direct on mobile phones and issuing the job ticket in retrospect and require overtime working to rectify defects identified on a Friday or Saturday
2. The footway intervention levels apply to the main paved or slabbed area of footways as, when risk assessing kerbing defects consideration should be given to the fact that they form the division between the footway and the adjacent carriageway, usually with an upstand of 75 to 125mm. A pedestrian stepping on or off a footway, or walking along a footway close to the kerblines could reasonably be expected to exercise the appropriate level of care and attention due to the presence of the upstand. As a result the intervention levels for footways are not applied to kerb defects, apart from at designated pedestrian crossing points.
3. The implementation of additional active travel routes and the implementation of cycle routes has been considered as part of the BCBC review. BCBC will implement footway intervention criteria on cycleways where they are combined/contiguous with footways on the network. Where cycleways are included within a carriageway layout the carriageway criteria will apply, as such routes are generally short in length and cyclists would be expected to consider that the route is part of the carriageway rather than an independent cycle way.

## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES

#### PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER – DOG CONTROL CONSULTATION

### 1. Purpose of report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to:

- Seek Cabinet approval to consult with the Police, the Police and Crime Commissioner and other relevant bodies in relation to the creation of a Public Space Protection Order (PSPO) relating to Dog Control in Bridgend County, and;
- For Cabinet to note that the outcome of the consultation will be reported to Cabinet in due course.

### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:

- **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives.
- **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

### 3. Background

3.1 Anti-social behaviour is a broad term to describe the day to day incidents of crime, nuisance and disorder that make many people's lives a misery: from litter and vandalism, to public drunkenness or aggressive dogs, to noisy or abusive neighbours. Such a wide range of behaviours means that responsibility for dealing with anti-social behaviour is shared between a number of agencies, particularly the police, councils and social landlords. The Home Office has reformed the anti-social behaviour powers to give professionals the increased flexibility they need to deal with certain situations.

- 3.2 The Anti-social Behaviour, Crime and Policing Act 2014 ('the Act') makes provision about anti-social behaviour, crime and disorder. The Act sets out the following 6 new tools for responsible bodies and responsible authorities:
- i. Injunction
  - ii. Criminal Behaviour Order (CBO)
  - iii. Dispersal power's
  - iv. Community Protection Notice's (CPN)
  - v. Closure Power's
  - vi. Public Spaces Protection Orders (PSPO)
- 3.3 The previous PSPO in Bridgend County Borough was enacted on 18 June 2019 and related to the control of alcohol, restriction of access to public space and dog control. It expired on 18 June 2022.
- 3.4 A PSPO is an effective deterrent to deal with particular nuisance or problems in a specified area that is detrimental to the quality of life of the local community.
- 3.5 A PSPO works by imposing conditions on the use of a specified area, which applies to everyone. A PSPO is designed to ensure that residents and visitors can enjoy public spaces without experiencing anti-social behaviour.
- 3.6 In accordance with s60 (2) of the Anti-Social Behaviour Crime and Police Act 2014, ('the Act') a PSPO may not have effect for more than 3 years, unless extended under S60 (3) or S60 (4).
- 3.7 The definition of public space is wide and includes any place to which the public or any section of the public has access, on payment or otherwise, as of right or by virtue of express or implied permission.
- 3.8 The PSPO for Dog Control enabled officers from Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) to give direction in regards to dogs off lead and dogs causing nuisance in a public place. This includes dog fouling and other related issues.
- 3.9 The previous PSPO enabled the Council to take preventative enforcement action in public places. Detailed information is outlined below.

### **3.10 Dog Control Order**

This relates to all public spaces throughout the borough and imposes the following conditions on the use of that land:-

- a) Person(s) within the Restricted Area will collect and dispose of the faeces of dogs within their control by removing it and depositing the dog faeces in a bag which should be left in a litter bin or taken home
- b) Person(s) within the Restricted Area who have dogs within their control must carry bags or other suitable means for the collection of dog faeces
- c) Person(s) within the Restricted Area must, when requested to do so by an Authorised Officer, must place dogs in their control on a lead. The Authorised

Officer must specify the location and duration covered by a direction given under Paragraph 6 (C) of this Order

For clarity, the PSPO relates to all public spaces. The PSPO does not restrict dogs from being off lead in specific areas but requires that, if requested by an Authorised Officer, dogs will be placed on a lead.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

4.1 Before the Council can make, extend or vary a PSPO there is a procedure set down by statute which must be followed. In particular, a Local Authority must carry out the necessary consultation, the necessary publication and the necessary notification (if any).

Necessary consultation means that a Local Authority must consult with:

- I. the chief officer of police and the local policing body for the police area that includes the restricted area (statutory guidance issued states that this should be done through the chief officer of and the Police and Crime Commissioner but details could be agreed by working level leads)
  - II. any community representatives the local authority thinks it is appropriate to consult (community representative means any individual or body appearing to the authority to represent the views of people who live in, work in, or visit the restricted area). Community representatives could include residents' groups or particular groups of individuals who use a local amenity (e.g. regular users of the park or specific activities such as busking or other types of street entertainment).;
  - III. the owner or occupier of land within the restricted area (this does not apply to land owned and occupied by the Local Authority and applies only if, or to the extent that, it is reasonably practicable to consult the owner or occupier of the land).
- 4.2 If approved the statutory consultation will commence on 9 January 2023 and continue for 12 weeks.
- 4.3 The Consultation will seek views on the creation of a PSPO regarding dog control in Bridgend County.
- 4.4 The PSPO relating to dog control shall not apply to Disabled persons as defined by the Equality Act 2010 where the person suffers from a disability which would prevent them from collecting their dog faeces.
- 4.5 All Town and Community Councils in the areas covered by the PSPO will be notified.
- 4.6 Specific consultees outlined in the legislation will be contacted directly via letter. These are:
- Elected members as representatives of their constituents
  - The South Wales Police and Crime Commissioner
  - The South Wales Police Chief Superintendent for the area
  - All town and community councils

- Bridgend Community Safety Partnership
- South Wales Fire and Rescue Service
- Bridgend Association of Voluntary Associations (BAVO)
- Bridgend Business Against Crime (BBAC)
- Bridgend Dogs Trust
- The Kennel Club
- Rambers Cymru

4.7 An on line survey will be available on the BCBC website. This will be promoted via social media platforms to individuals who live in, work in, or visit Bridgend County.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 None

## **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

6.2 Full Equality Impact Assessments (EIA) were carried out when the PSPOs were created in 2018.

6.3 A new EIA screening will be carried out when the consultation is completed and the results of that screening reported to cabinet alongside the consultation report to inform whether a further full EIA is required.

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

7.1 The recommendations in this report demonstrate the sustainable development principle by ensuring that by meeting the needs of the present they do not compromise the ability of future generations to meet their own needs and this is evidenced through the 5 ways of working:

- Long term – the report seeks to address the long term problems associated with anti-social behaviour. These include addressing issues relating to control of dogs.
- Prevention – working with partners to prevent the negative effects of anti-social behaviour on those living, working or visiting Bridgend County Borough.
- Integration – the project contributes to the well-being goals: a healthier Wales, a Resilient Wales, and a Wales of Cohesive Communities and to the Well-being objective Supporting communities in Bridgend to be Safe and Cohesive.
- Collaboration – the initiative is a collaboration between Bridgend County Borough Council Communities Directorate, the Bridgend Community Safety Partnership, South Wales Police and South Wales Fire and Rescue Service.

- Involvement – the consultation with partners, stakeholders, local residents, communities and elected members will inform the decision of whether to extend the PSPOs.

## **8. Financial implications**

- 8.1 There are no financial implications arising from this report. If the creation of the new PSPO is approved there will be costs associated with signage and promotion of the PSPO in local press. This will be funded through existing budgets.
- 8.2 The estimated costs for the dog control order which will be met from existing budgets within the Communities Directorate are:

Advertising and printing	£3,000
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## **9. Recommendation**

- 9.1 Cabinet is recommended to give approval to commence a public consultation on the proposal to create a Public Space Protection Order as outlined in paragraph 4.3 of this report.
- 9.2 Cabinet is recommended to note that the outcome of the consultation will be reported to Cabinet in due course.

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR COMMUNITIES

#### TENNIS COURT IMPROVEMENTS AND COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER FUND CHANGE OF USE

#### 1. Purpose of report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Cabinet to:

- Extend the scope of the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Fund to include the development and refurbishment of assets / facilities currently or formerly maintained by the Parks Department that can not readily be subject to a CAT due to issues such as land title, where a minimum of 25% external match-funding has been secured;
- Allocate £50,000 from the CAT Fund to enable three tennis courts at Maesteg Welfare Park to be refurbished in partnership with the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA) at a total cost of £201,282;
- Allocate up to £151,065.09 (current cost £137,331.90 + 10% contingency) from the CAT Fund to enable two new tennis courts to be developed at Griffin Park, Park in partnership with the LTA with a match-funding contribution of £53,476.00 being secured;
- Allocate £3,900.00 from the CAT Fund to enable two tennis courts at Heol-y-Cyw Playing Fields to be refurbished in partnership with the LTA at a total cost of £59,868.06.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:

- **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough.
- **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives.
- **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

### 3. Background

#### Tennis Court Improvements

- 3.1 The LTA Park Refurbishment Programme will refurbish park courts across the UK having received £21.9 million of funding directly from UK Government's Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport (DCMS) and an additional £8.4 million from the LTA Tennis Foundation to deliver the programme by March 2024. This funding is aimed at public parks and working in partnership with local authorities.
- 3.2 The LTA have assessed tennis facilities falling under the responsibility of Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) and have determined that there are 4 viable sites that should be resurfaced based upon their own condition surveys and an assessment of demand. The proposed works have been assessed by the contractor appointed under the LTA framework agreement, and the LTA Funding Panel confirmed the following costs and suggested financial contributions from BCBC at their meeting held on 10 February 2023:

Location	Number of Tennis Courts	Total Cost	LTA Funding	BCBC Contribution	Proposed Source of BCBC Funding
Maesteg Welfare Park	3	£201,281.62	£151,281.62	£50,000.00	CAT Fund (see Para. 4.3)
Griffin Park	2	£190,807.90	£53,476.00	£137,331.90	CAT Fund (see Para. 4.4)
Caedu Park, Ogmores Vale	2	£67,512.10	£67,512.10	Nil	n/a
Heol y Cyw	2	£59,868.06	£55,968.06	£3,900.00	CAT Fund (see Para 4.5)
<b>Total</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>£519,469.68</b>	<b>£328,237.78</b>	<b>£191,231.90</b>	

- 3.3 The proposed tennis court improvements would need to be commissioned by BCBC under a framework agreement that has been arranged by the LTA and assessed by our Procurement and Legal Services teams to determine compliance with BCBC procurement regulations.
- 3.4 Porthcawl Town Council submitted an expression of interest (EOI) for a freehold transfer of Griffin Park and Play Area under the Council's CAT programme on 2 December 2019. The EOI was duly approved by the CAT Steering Group on 19 December 2019 on the basis of initial lease agreements prior to a freehold transfer being agreed while the proposals for the Porthcawl Waterfront Regeneration: were being finalised.

- 3.5 The transfer of Griffin Park and Play Area was completed under initial lease agreements on 7 July 2022 with a proposed freehold transfer still to be agreed. Porthcawl Town Council is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance of these facilities.

### **CAT Fund**

- 3.6 The Council originally set aside capital funding of £1 million in February 2014 in the capital programme for works to refurbish pavilions, to encourage CATs and assist in ensuring that assets become sustainable. The scope for this funding was subsequently widened to also include building works undertaken on other Council facilities such as community centres and public toilets, to support the CAT process and ensure that as many buildings as possible could be kept open and provide long-term community benefits.
- 3.7 Under the revised CAT protocol approved by Cabinet on 25 July 2017, funding applications up to £50k from the £1 million CAT Fund can be approved by the CAT Steering Group with sums in excess of this threshold being required to be referred to Cabinet for approval.
- 3.8 Cabinet agreed a range of measures designed to stimulate the CAT Programme on 25 February 2020 when approving the Playing Fields, Outdoor Sports Facilities and Parks Pavilions and Community Asset Transfer report which included:
- (1) A commitment to replenishing the £1 million CAT Fund as and when necessary, subject to the availability of finite capital resources, to encourage transfers and meet demand particularly where value for money can be clearly demonstrated post CAT;
  - (2) Extending the CAT Fund to include the maintenance of playing fields so that pitch and drainage surveys can be undertaken along with capital grants to enable pitch improvements and self-management and thereby increasing the chances of long-term sustainable CATs by:
    - Developing a programme of sports pitch improvement and drainage capital grants valued at £5,000 to £25,000 per playing surface to ensure that prioritised sites are fit for purpose based upon independent condition assessments.
    - Establishing pitch maintenance equipment grants to provide capital funding valued from £5,000 up to £10,000 for Town and Community Councils (T&CCs) and sports clubs who complete transfers to assist with the purchase of equipment to enable the self-management of associated green spaces.
- 3.9 Cabinet / Corporate Management Board (CCMB) recommended on 5 October 2021 that the CAT Fund should be topped up by £500,000 and this was approved by Council and included in the Capital Programme in January 2022.
- 3.10 Cabinet and the CAT Steering Group has, to date, allocated funding totalling £1,194,676.96 from the £1.5 million CAT Fund which is summarised in the table below and detailed at **Appendix A**:

<b>Purpose of Funding</b>	<b>Total Allocations</b>	<b>Spend to Date</b>	<b>Commitments</b>
Building Refurbishment / Development	<b>£804,135.71</b>	£532,142.62	£271,993.09
Maintenance Equipment	<b>£184,175.22</b>	£150,025.22	£34,150.00
Pitch & Drainage Improvements	<b>£174,952.99</b>	£107,319.07	£67,633.92
Miscellaneous*	<b>£31,413.04</b>	£17,433.04	£13,980.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1,194,676.96</b>	<b>£806,919.95</b>	<b>£387,375.01</b>

\* Additional funding awarded to sports clubs and town and community councils via CAT Fund submitting funding applications under the Bridgend Sports Support Fund 2021-22 and Town & Community Council Capital Grant scheme that were over subscribed (see Appendix A for details)

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

##### **Match-funding to support LTA Park Refurbishment Programme Investment**

- 4.1 The LTA is proposing that the refurbishments at Maesteg Welfare Park, Caedu Park and Heol-y-Cyw should be undertaken at the end of March / early April 2023. The Council has requested that the potential development of new tennis courts at Griffin Park should be delayed until September 2023 so that community engagement and planning permission can be progressed.
- 4.2 The proposed refurbishments have been discussed at recent meetings of the CAT Steering Group (CSG) with a clear willingness that the financial contribution of £50,000 towards the cost of improving Maesteg Welfare Park should be funded by the CAT Fund. The financial contribution required from BCBC does not fit the current criteria for the CAT Fund as set out in 3.6 and 3.8 as tennis courts are not one of the prioritised areas for CAT, and furthermore no financial savings would be achieved should the Parks Department cease to maintain these facilities with them being managed by a third party such as Tennis Wales. Under such an arrangement the third party would retain any income from hire and be responsible for day-to-day maintenance of the facilities. The tennis courts would be enclosed by fencing and accessed by a key coded gate. As a guide, family passes currently cost £39 per annum and free usage and coaching would be available. The LTA has required any third party taking on the day-to-day running of tennis facilities Park Refurbishment Programme to provide a commitment to run free organised activity on a Saturday or Sunday at 10 a.m. linked to new free offer being developed and it envisaged that such an approach would be adopted for the proposed improvements to sites across BCBC. It should also be noted that the Parks Department would retain responsibility for the day-to-day management of the remaining two tennis courts that are not currently planned to be refurbished and are in a poor condition and will need to form part of the strategic review of Maesteg Welfare Park going forward.
- 4.3 The CSG fully accepts that the £50,000 investment required from BCBC to refurbish three tennis courts does not provide the financial savings that can be attributed to regular CATs. However, the benefit to the community also needs to be considered, alongside the wider improvements required at Maesteg Welfare Park as part of the

Council's ongoing strategic review of major parks which needs to be developed and approved in due course with the proposed improvements to the tennis courts being seen by the CSG as the first phase of improving facilities and attracting significant inward investment. The Council's proposed contribution equates to 24.8% of the total project cost of £201,281.62 with potential funding from the LTA totalling £151,281.62 potentially being lost should the Council be unable to provide the suggested match-funding.

- 4.4 The land where the two existing tennis courts at Griffin Park are located will be required for the proposed new road development which forms a part of the Porthcawl Waterfront Regeneration project. The Council has previously confirmed its commitment that new replacement tennis courts need to be in place prior to the old facilities being decommissioned and the LTA has agreed in principle to provide funding of £53,476 for the new facilities which are currently estimated to cost £190,807.90. The LTA proposed contribution reflects the cost that would have been incurred to refurbish the existing tennis courts. It is proposed that the new tennis courts should also be funded from CAT Fund but that a contingency of 10% should be added to the contribution of BCBCt to take account of possible price increases and unforeseen costs which would be a maximum of £151,065.09 (current cost £137,331.90 + 10% contingency). No financial savings that can be attributed to regular CATs will be achieved from funding the new tennis courts at Griffin Park from the CAT Fund.
- 4.5 The LTA are requesting a contribution of £3,900 for the improvements at Heol-y-Cyw and it is proposed that this match-funding should also be provided from the CAT Fund.
- 4.6 The proposed LTA funding of £328,237.78 equates to 1% of total budget funding of £30.3m that is available for LTA Park Refurbishment Programme which will assist in ensuring that Bridgend will have tennis facilities that can be utilised by future generations should Cabinet approve the funding contributions requested.

### **Extending the Scope of the CAT Fund**

- 4.7 The Parks Department may have day to day management responsibility for assets, such as green spaces that are not formally owned by BCBC because they have historically not been adopted following transfer from property developers or registered with the Land Registry following local government reorganisation. Such assets cannot be considered to be CATs even when day to day responsibility for managing such assets are transferred to a community group. The transfer of such assets may only achieve small financial savings to the Parks Department and also have limited scope for investment under the Council's Capital Programme and as such often fall into disrepair and possible decommissioning to the detriment of the community and its future generations.
- 4.8 The CSG would wish to extend the scope of the CAT Fund to include the development and refurbishment of assets / facilities currently or formerly maintained by the Parks Department that cannot readily be subject to a full CAT due to issues such as land title, where a minimum of 25% external match-funding has been secured. This approach will assist in ensuring that such assets can be improved for the benefit of the community particularly where BCBC is able to work in partnership with Town and

Community Councils (T&CCs), the governing bodies of sports and Sports Wales in securing external funding.

## 5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules

- 5.1 There will be no direct effect on the CAT policy that was approved by the Cabinet on 23 July 2019. The procedure rules for funding under the CAT Fund would need to be updated to reflect the inclusion of funding to assets / facilities subject to minimum match-funding of 25% outlined at paragraphs 4.7 and 4.8 which would include the tennis court improvements at Maesteg Welfare Park, Heol-y-Cyw Playing Fields and Griffin Park that would not currently qualify under the criteria for the CAT Fund.

## 6. Equality Act 2010 implications

- 6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales, the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

## 7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications

- 7.1 The Council is committed to promoting sustainable development and to discharge its duties under the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015. The required Assessment Template has been completed and a summary of the implications from the assessment relating to the five ways of working is outlined below in respect of the proposed funding allocation for the tennis courts at Maesteg Welfare Park and extending the scope of the CAT Fund:

<b>Long-term</b>	Supports the well-being objectives/ other corporate priorities of the Council outlined at paragraph 2.1.
<b>Prevention</b>	Ensures the assets and services threatened by financial austerity can continue to be used by the community and promote healthier lifestyles and general well-being.
<b>Integration</b>	Enables the Council to work in partnership with T&CCs, sports clubs, community groups, other stakeholders and the wider community to meet local needs in a more holistic way.
<b>Collaboration</b>	The proposals have been developed and will be delivered through a strong partnership between BCBC, T&CCs and relevant stakeholders.
<b>Involvement</b>	The proposals will be delivered in close partnership with a range of local stakeholders including T&CCs, community groups / current users and the national governing bodies.

## **8. Financial implications**

- 8.1 Unallocated funding of £305,323.04 is presently available under the CAT Fund based upon the original allocation of £1 million and top-up of £500,000 approved by Council in January 2022 and total funding of £1,194,676.96 already earmarked or expended (see paragraph 3.10 and CAT Fund Allocations at **Appendix A**). The allocation of £50,000 and £3,900.00 towards the cost of tennis court refurbishments at Maesteg Welfare Park and Heol-y-Cyw Playing Fields respectively and up to a maximum of £151,065.09 for new tennis courts at Griffin Park, would reduce the balance of unallocated funding to £100,357.95.
- 8.2 Cabinet has previously indicated that the CAT Fund should be replenished to encourage CATs, subject to the availability of finite capital resources, so that assets can be developed and safeguarded for future generations, particularly where value for money can be clearly demonstrated. It is intended that a report highlighting the outcomes and benefits already achieved under the CAT programme will be submitted for consideration to the Cabinet / Corporate Management Board along with a business case to request additional funding under the Capital Programme where deemed appropriate. Any additional requests for Capital funding would also have to seek approval from Council.

## **9. Recommendations**

Cabinet is requested to:

- 9.1 Approve the scope of the CAT Fund be extended to include the development and refurbishment of assets / facilities currently or formerly maintained by the Parks Department that can not readily be subject to a CAT due to issues such as land title, where a minimum of 25% external match-funding has been secured;
- 9.2 Approve the allocation of £50,000 under the CAT Fund to enable three tennis courts at Maesteg Welfare Park to be refurbished in partnership with the LTA at a total cost of £201,282, subject to Cabinet approving the extension of the scope of the CAT Fund;
- 9.3 Approve the allocation of up to a maximum of £151,065.09 (current cost £137,331.90 + 10% contingency) under the CAT Fund to enable two new replacement tennis courts to be developed at Griffin Park with the LTA providing match-funding of £53,476.00 to the total cost of the project currently estimated to be £190,807.90, subject to the outcomes of community engagement and planning permission, and Cabinet approving the extension of the scope of the CAT Fund;
- 9.4 Approve the allocation of £3,900 under the CAT Fund to enable two tennis courts at Heol-y-Cyw Playing Fields to be refurbished in partnership with the LTA at a total cost of £59,868.06, subject to Cabinet approving the extension of the scope of the CAT Fund.

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**March 2023**

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**Background Papers:**

None



## CAT FUND : SPEND AND ALLOCATIONS (DECEMBER 2022)

COMMUNITY GROUP	ASSET
Bridgend Muncipal Bowls Club	Bridgend Municipal Bowls Club
Bryncethin RFC	Bryncethin Community Centre & Playing Fields
Caerau Bowling Club	Caerau Welfare Park Bowls Green
Caerau FC	Hermon Road / Metcalf Street
Carn Rovers	Cwm Garw Playing Fields
Cefn Cribwr Athletic Club	Cae Gof Playing Fields
Cefn Cribwr Bowls Club	Cae Gof Bowls Green
Cornelly Community Council	North Cornelly Community Centre
Garw SBGC	Blandy Park Paviloon
Gilfach Goch RFC	Evanstown Welfare Park Pavilion
Gilfach Gogh Bowls Clubs	Evanstown Welfare Park Bowls Green
Kenfig Hill & Pyle Bowls Club	Pyle Bowls Green
Kenfig Hill RFC	Croft Gogh Rugby Pitch & Green Spaces
Laleston Community Council	Bryntirion Community Centre
Llangynwyd Middle CC	Llangynwyd Playing Fields (Drainage Improvements)
Llangynwyd Rangers	Llangynwyd Playing Fields
Maesteg Celtic RFC / Maesteg Celtic Cricket Club	Garth Park Playing Surfaces & Green Spaces
Maesteg Harlequins	South Parade Playing Surfaces & Green Space
Maesteg Park FC	Tudor Park Playing Fields
Maesteg Town Council	Miscellaneous CAT Sites (Maesteg TC CAT Fund)
Maesteg Welfare Bowls Club	Maesteg Welfare Park Bowls Green
Nantymoel RFC	Nantymoel Playing Fields
Ogmore Vale Bowling Club	Caedu Park (Ogmore Vale) Bowls Green
Parks (BCBC)	South Pavilion, Newbridge Fields
Pencoed Athletic Boys & Girls Club	Woodlands Park
Pencoed RFC	Pencoed Recreation Ground Floodlights
Pencoed Town Council	Pencoed Recreation Ground Pavilion
Pontycymer Bowls Club	Pontycymer Bowls Green
Rest Bay Sports Ltd.	Rest Bay Playing Fields
Wyndham Bowls Club	Wyndham Bowls Club Green
	<b>Total</b>

### KEY:

(BSSF) - Funding application submitted under oversubscribed Bridgend Sports Support Fund and provided via  
(T&CC) - Funding application submitted under Town & community Capital Grant Scheme and provided via CAT

<b>ACTUAL SPEND TO DATE</b>			
Purpose of Funding			
<b>Refurbishments</b>	<b>Maintenance Equipment</b>	<b>Pitch Improvements</b>	<b>Micellaneous</b>
£0.00	£7,531.78	£0.00	£0.00
£110,000.00	£10,000.00	£7,110.00	£0.00
£0.00	£9,360.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£2,100.00	£9,394.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
£113,441.55	£8,580.67	£25,073.00	£3,500.00
£0.00	£5,170.75	£0.00	£0.00
£5,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£35,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
£0.00	£7,138.98	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£4,526.76	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£10,000.00	£0.00	£0.00
£50,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£4,941.03	£0.00
£0.00	£10,000.00	£18,294.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£5,850.00	£30,563.88	£0.00
£2,390.00	£10,000.00	£19,337.16	£0.00
£2,000.00	£7,921.60	£2,000.00	£0.00
£0.00	£9,969.78	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£991.98
£0.00	£10,000.00	£0.00	£0.00
£77,739.44	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£2,441.06
£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
£94,726.63	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£4,834.00	£0.00	£0.00
£39,745.00	£10,000.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£9,746.90	£0.00	£0.00
<b>£532,142.62</b>	<b>£150,025.22</b>	<b>£107,319.07</b>	<b>£17,433.04</b>

a CAT Fund under Delegated Power

┌ Fund under Delegated Power

	COMMITTED EXPENDITURE			
	Purpose of Funding			
Total Spend	Refurbishments	Maintenance Equipment	Pitch Improvements	Micellaneous
£7,531.78	£35,773.52	£0.00	£0.00	£3,480.00
£127,110.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£9,360.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£0.00	£50,000.00	£10,000.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
£14,994.00	£8,233.72	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£150,595.22	£0.00	£0.00	£1,491.80	£0.00
£5,170.75	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£5,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£35,000.00	£15,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£3,500.00	£0.00	£10,000.00	£0.00	£0.00
£7,138.98	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£4,526.76	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£10,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
£50,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£4,941.03	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£28,294.00	£157,240.85	£0.00	£31,706.00	£0.00
£0.00	£0.00	£10,000.00	£0.00	£3,500.00
£36,413.88	£0.00	£4,150.00	£9,436.12	£0.00
£31,727.16	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£11,921.60	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£9,969.78	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£991.98	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£10,000.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£77,739.44	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£2,441.06	£0.00	£0.00	£25,000.00	£0.00
£3,500.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£94,726.63	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£4,834.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£49,745.00	£5,745.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£9,746.90	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00	£0.00
£806,919.95	£271,993.09	£34,150.00	£67,633.92	£13,980.00

	CAT FUND
	TOTAL ALLOCATIONS
Total Commitments	
£39,253.52	£46,785.30
£0.00	£127,110.00
£0.00	£9,360.00
£63,500.00	£63,500.00
£8,233.72	£23,227.72
£1,491.80	£152,087.02
£0.00	£5,170.75
£0.00	£5,000.00
£15,000.00	£50,000.00
£10,000.00	£13,500.00
£0.00	£7,138.98
£0.00	£4,526.76
£3,500.00	£13,500.00
£0.00	£50,000.00
£0.00	£4,941.03
£188,946.85	£217,240.85
£13,500.00	£13,500.00
£13,586.12	£50,000.00
£0.00	£31,727.16
£0.00	£11,921.60
£0.00	£9,969.78
£0.00	£991.98
£0.00	£10,000.00
£0.00	£77,739.44
£25,000.00	£27,441.06
£0.00	£3,500.00
£0.00	£94,726.63
£0.00	£4,834.00
£5,745.00	£55,490.00
£0.00	£9,746.90
£387,757.01	£1,194,676.96

<b>Additional Information for Miscellaneous Expenditure</b>
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£3,480 Fire Safety Improvements (BSSF)

Additional Pitch Maintenance Equipment (BSSF)
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£3,500 for additional maintenance equipment (BSSF)
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£3,500 for pavilion heating improvements (BSSF)

£3,500 for pavilion CCTV (BSSF)

£3,500 site security fencing (BSSF)

Additional Drainage Improvements (T&CC)

£3,500 allocated to cricket club for facility improvements (BSSF)

Third match-funding for CAT Projects (T&CC)
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Additional cost of pavilion security gate (BSSF)

£2,441.06 for barrier fencing (BSSF)
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£3,500.00 part cost of floodlights (BSSF)

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER - FINANCE, PERFORMANCE AND CHANGE

##### RESULT OF TENDER OF ANNUAL INSURANCE POLICIES

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Cabinet of the result of the retender exercise for all the Council's Insurance policies, other than the medical malpractice and Harbour insurance policies which are placed with specialist insurers and are not due for tender at this time. Approval is also sought from Cabinet to authorise Marsh UK Limited, as the Council's appointed Insurance Broker, to accept cover for the policies, on behalf of the Council.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objective under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:
- **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 Whilst the Council's insurance policies are annual contracts, they are also subject to Long Term Agreements which can be for a 3 or 5 year period which allows for rating and budgeting stability. The current Long Term Agreements end on the 30 March 2023.
- 3.2 On 18<sup>th</sup> October 2022, Cabinet approved the commencement of a tender process for all annual insurance policies to commence on 31st March 2023 up to a maximum five year Long Term Agreement. That process has been completed and the outcomes are presented to Cabinet for consideration and approval.
- 3.3 The retender process was carried out by Marsh UK Limited who are the Council's appointed insurance brokers.

#### 4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 The Council confirmed to bidders that awards would be made to the 'most economically advantageous' tender, based on a weighting of 50% for price and 50% for quality. The specifications asked for tenders based on two long term agreement (LTA) options, namely: three years, and three years with an option to extend for a further two years. The Insurance premiums below are for the three year LTA with an option to extend for a further two years.

- 4.2 All tenders were received electronically by the deadline of 3 Feb 2023. The companies who responded in accordance with the tender instructions have been identified as Insurers A to E in the first row of Table 1.
- 4.3 Tenders have been evaluated, with the assistance of Marsh UK Limited, following the tender evaluation criteria. The responses to the tender, winning score, and recommended Insurer, are detailed in Table 1 below. Table 2 shows the quotations from the recommended insurer.
- 4.4. As there was only one quotation received for the Liability insurance, Marsh have not carried out a quality score comparison, but have confirmed that the quotation met all of the tender requirements.

**Table 1 – Tender Scores**

Price Score

	A	B	C	D	E
Lot 1 - Property Including Computers	35	50	12.32		
Lot 2 - Combined liability			50		
Lot 3 - Motor Fleet	42.16	48.72	50		32.9
Lot 4 - Engineering Inspection & Insurance	50		40.35	46.68	
Lot 5 - Personal Accident Travel & School Journey	50		40.07		

Quality Score

	A	B	C	D	E
Lot 1 - Property Including Computers	41.2	43.57	41.03		
Lot 2 - Combined liability					
Lot 3 - Motor Fleet	44.26	42.55	44.65		42.68
Lot 4 - Engineering Inspection and Insurance	46.29		45.54	46.25	
Lot 5 - Personal Accident Travel & School Journey	29.93		36.49		

Total Score

	A	B	C	D	E
Lot 1 - Property Including Computers	76.2	93.57	53.35		
Lot 2 - Combined liability			50		
Lot 3 - Motor Fleet	86.42	91.27	94.65		75.58
Lot 4 - Engineering Inspection and Insurance	96.29		85.89	92.93	
Lot 5 - Personal Accident Travel & School Journey	79.93		76.56		

**Table 2**

Premium including Insurance Premium Tax, excluding VAT

	2022	2023	Recommended Insurer
Lot 1 - Property Including Computers	£ 384,067.05	£ 337,801.79	B
Lot 2 - Combined liability	£ 406,284.48	£ 358,301.44	C



Lot 3 - Motor Fleet	£ 121,366.56	£ 95,760.00	C
Lot 4 - Engineering Inspection Attracts VAT	£ 30,698.00	£ 33,459.00	A
Lot 4 - Engineering Insurance	£ 4,326.56	£ 4,435.20	A
Lot 5 - Personal Accident Travel & School Journey	£ 29,120.78	£ 29,837.92	A
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 975,863.43</b>	<b>£ 859,595.35</b>	

4.5 In addition to the insurance premiums there is a Claims handling fee payable in arrears to the appointed claims handlers. This is dependent on the actual number of claims received during the policy period. If the number of claims for the 2023-24 financial year follow those of 2021-22 and 2022-23, this would result in an annual claims handling fee of approximately £35,000.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 There will be no direct effect on the policy framework and procedure rules.

## **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

6.1 An initial Equality Impact Assessment (EIA) screening has identified that there would be no negative impact on those with one or more of the protected characteristics, on socio-economic disadvantage or the use of the Welsh language. It is therefore not necessary to carry out a full EIA on this policy or proposal.

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

7.1 The well-being goals identified in the Act were considered in the preparation of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.

## **8. Financial implications**

8.1 The costs for 2023-24 are shown in Table 2 above, and reflect an expected annual reduction of £116,268.08 on 2022-23 premiums, and a potential saving of £581,340.40 over the course of a three year LTA with an option to extend for a further two years. The premiums will be met from the 2023-24 insurance revenue budget which has sufficient funds to meet these costs. The expected annual reduction will be maintained as a contingency balance in case of any increases to in-year claims with longer term monitoring of the sustainability of this saving.

## **9. Recommendation**

9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet approves the acceptance of the quotations in paragraph 4.4 with a three year Long Term Agreement, and an option to extend for a further two years, placed through Marsh UK Limited as the Council's appointed Insurance Broker.

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER - FINANCE, PERFORMANCE AND CHANGE

#### NON-DOMESTIC RATES: DISCRETIONARY RELIEF: RETAIL, LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY RATES RELIEF SCHEME 2023-24

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to seek approval for Cabinet to adopt the Welsh Government's Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme 2023-24.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives / other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objective under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:

- **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough.

- 2.2 The scheme aims to help businesses to reduce their business rates charges for the period 01/04/23 – 31/03/24 in order to support continued occupation of High Street and provide financial assistance to retail, leisure and hospitality premises.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Welsh Government has announced a temporary extension of the Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme for 2023-24 to support eligible occupied properties by offering a discount of 75% on non-domestic rates bills for such properties within the retail, leisure and hospitality sector. The scheme will apply to all eligible businesses; however, the relief will be subject to a cap on the amount each business can claim across Wales. The total amount of relief available is £110,000 across all properties occupied by the same business. All businesses are required to make a declaration that the amount of relief they are seeking across Wales does not exceed this cap, when applying to individual local authorities. Also, they will need to declare that they shall not receive more than £315,000 in total of Minimal Financial Assistance (MFA) over three years (financial years 2021-22 to 2023-24 inclusive). The Scheme

sets out the various categories of retail, leisure and hospitality premises that will benefit from relief. These are detailed in **Appendix A** of the report, but broadly the premises included are occupied shops, pubs and restaurants, gyms, performance venues and hotels across Wales.

- 3.2 The Scheme will be administered by the Council as a 'reimbursing local authority' that uses discretionary relief powers (under section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988). It will be for individual local billing authorities to decide to grant relief under section 47, but Welsh Government will reimburse local authorities for the relief that is provided.
- 3.3 The Welsh Government is providing 75% rates relief for eligible properties for the year 2023-24.
- 3.4 The Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme for 2023-24 will run alongside the Small Business Rates Relief Scheme. Small Business Rates Relief is awarded automatically on a maximum of 2 occupied properties in the same business name in any local authority area where the property has a rateable value under £12,000. There are around 3,200 businesses that receive Small Business Rates Relief.
- 3.5 It is estimated that, due to the limit of £110,000 per business across Wales, there will be in the region of 940 eligible ratepayers across the borough that could potentially benefit from having only 25% rates to pay for the year 2023-24 under this Scheme.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

- 4.1 The Council can elect to adopt the Scheme but does not have discretion over any elements of the Scheme. It is proposed that the Council adopts the Scheme for 2023-24 by making the appropriate determination and decision, as required by Sections 47(1) (a) and 47(3) respectively of the Local Government Finance Act 1988.
- 4.2 Full details of the Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme for 2023-24 and the guidance on the application of the Scheme have been received from Welsh Government. If the Scheme is adopted, application forms will be made available on Bridgend County Borough Council's website for all qualifying ratepayers to apply. Due to the limit of £110,000 per business throughout Wales and the £315,000 in total of MFA over three years including 2023-23, Welsh Government have stated that this scheme will need to be administered on an application basis only.
- 4.3 The Chief Executive has delegated power (under Scheme B2 paragraph 2.19 of the Scheme of Delegation) to award relief to all qualifying businesses in accordance with the Non-domestic Rates Relief Scheme that may be eligible following receipt of the information requested by Welsh Government. It is intended that, upon receipt of a valid application form, the decision to award relief will be made by the Revenues Manager providing all terms of the Scheme are met.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedures rules**

5.1 There is no direct impact on the Council's policy framework and procedure rules.

## **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

6.1 An initial EIA screening has identified that there would be no negative impact on those with one or more of the protected characteristics, on socio-economic disadvantage or the use of the Welsh language. It is therefore not necessary to carry out a full EIA on this policy or proposal.

6.2 Once adopted, the Council is obliged to comply with the Welsh Government's rules in applying the Scheme. These are detailed in **Appendix A**.

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

7.1 The well-being goals identified in the Act were considered in the preparation of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.

## **8. Financial implications**

8.1 There are no direct financial implications to the Council in adopting the scheme. The full value of the Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief awarded will be reimbursed by the Welsh Government.

## **9. Recommendation**

9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:

- adopts the Welsh Government's Non-Domestic Rates Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief Scheme for 2023-24 as detailed within **Appendix A**

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## APPENDIX A

### Resolution

(a) The Council determines that, unless hereditaments are excepted under (b) below, Section 47(1)(a) (discretionary relief) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988 will apply as regards the hereditaments described in 'The Scheme' in accordance with the rules described in relation to those hereditaments.

It is reasonable for the Council to make this decision having regard to the interests of persons liable to pay business rates set by the Council.

(b) Relief is not available under this resolution in respect of any hereditament which is occupied by -

- the Welsh Ministers, a Minister of the Crown or government department,
- any public authority (including any local authority),
- the holder of any public office, or
- the Crown

(c) The Council decides, under Section 47(3) of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, that during the billing year 2023-24 'The Scheme' shall apply to the hereditaments described..

### The Scheme to be Adopted

#### Introduction

This relief is aimed at businesses and other ratepayers in Wales in the retail, leisure and hospitality sectors, for example shops, pubs and restaurants, gyms, performance venues and hotels.

The Welsh Government will provide grant funding to all 22 local authorities in Wales to provide the Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief scheme to eligible businesses for 2023-24. The scheme aims to provide support for eligible occupied properties by offering a discount of 75% on non-domestic rates bills for such properties. The scheme will apply to all eligible businesses, however the relief will be subject to a cap in the amount each business can claim across Wales. The total amount of relief available is £110,000 across all properties occupied by the same business. All businesses are required to make a declaration that the amount of relief they are seeking across Wales does not exceed this cap, when applying to individual local authorities.

Properties that will benefit from this relief will be occupied retail, leisure and hospitality properties – such as shops, pubs and restaurants, gyms, performance venues and hotels across Wales. More detailed eligibility criteria and exceptions to the relief are set out below.

Relief should be granted to each eligible business as a reduction to its rates bill based on occupation between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024. It is recognised that there may be some instances where a local authority is retrospectively notified of a change of occupier. In such cases, if it is clear that the business was in occupation on or after the 1 April 2023, the local authority may use its discretion in awarding relief.

It is intended that, for the purposes of this scheme, retail properties such as 'shops, restaurants, cafes and drinking establishments' will mean the following (subject to the other criteria in this guidance).

**Hereditaments that are being used for the sale of goods to visiting members of the public**

- Shops (such as florists, bakers, butchers, grocers, greengrocers, jewellers, stationers, off-licences, newsagents, hardware stores, supermarkets, etc)
- Charity shops
- Opticians
- Pharmacies
- Post offices
- Furnishing shops or display rooms (such as carpet shops, double-glazing, garage doors)
- Car or caravan showrooms
- Second hand car lots
- Markets
- Petrol stations
- Garden centres
- Art galleries (where art is for sale or hire)

**Hereditaments that are being used for the provision of the following services to visiting members of the public**

- Hair and beauty services
- Shoe repairs or key cutting
- Travel agents
- Ticket offices, eg. for theatre
- Dry cleaners
- Launderettes
- PC, TV or domestic appliance repair
- Funeral directors
- Photo processing
- DVD or video rentals
- Tool hire
- Car hire
- Estate and letting agents

**Hereditaments that are being used for the sale of food and / or drink to visiting members of the public**

- Restaurants
- Drive-through or drive-in restaurants
- Takeaways
- Sandwich shops
- Cafés
- Coffee shops
- Pubs
- Bars or Wine Bars



We consider assembly and leisure to mean the following.

**Hereditaments that are being used for the provision of sport, leisure and facilities to visiting members of the public (including for the viewing of such activities) and for the assembly of visiting members of the public**

- Sports grounds and clubs
- Sport and leisure facilities
- Gyms
- Tourist attractions
- Museums and art galleries
- Stately homes and historic houses
- Theatres
- Live Music Venues
- Cinemas
- Nightclubs

**Hereditaments that are being used for the assembly of visiting members of the public**

- Public halls
- Clubhouses, clubs and institutions

We consider hotels, guest & boarding premises and self-catering accommodation to mean the following.

**Hereditaments where the non-domestic part is being used for the provision of living accommodation as a business**

- Hotels, Guest and Boarding Houses,
- Holiday homes,
- Caravan parks and sites

**Other considerations**

To qualify for the relief, the hereditament should be wholly or mainly used for the qualifying purposes. In a similar way to other reliefs, this is a test on use rather than occupation. Therefore, hereditaments which are occupied but not wholly or mainly used for the qualifying purpose will not qualify for the relief. For the avoidance of doubt, hereditaments which closed temporarily due to the government's advice on Covid-19 should be treated as occupied for the purposes of this relief.

The above list is not intended to be exhaustive as it would be impossible to list all the many and varied retail, leisure and hospitality uses that exist. There will also be mixed uses. However, it is intended to be a guide for local authorities as to the types of uses that the Welsh Government considers for this purpose to be eligible for relief. Local authorities should determine for themselves whether particular properties not listed are broadly similar in nature to those above and, if so, to consider them eligible for the relief. Conversely, properties that are not broadly similar in nature to those listed above should not be eligible for the relief.

The grant of the relief is discretionary. Should local authorities decide to exercise their discretion not to apply the relief to eligible businesses, they may wish to consider taking their

own legal advice upon any potential consequential legal issues which might arise from such a decision and on a case by case basis.

Businesses may view that they have not faced substantial impacts from the recent economic pressures and as such may be inclined to not apply for the relief.

### **Types of hereditaments that are not considered to be eligible for Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief**

The following list sets out the types of uses that the Welsh Government does not consider to be retail, leisure or hospitality use for the purpose of this relief and which would not be deemed eligible for the relief. However, it will be for local authorities to determine if hereditaments are similar in nature to those listed and if they would not be eligible for relief under the scheme.

### **Hereditaments that are being used wholly or mainly for the provision of the following services to visiting members of the public**

- Financial services (eg. banks, building societies, cash points, ATMs, bureaux de change, payday lenders, betting shops, pawnbrokers)
- Medical services (eg. vets, dentists, doctors, osteopaths, chiropractors)
- Professional services (eg. solicitors, accountants, insurance agents, financial advisers, tutors)
- Post Office sorting offices
- Day nurseries
- Kennels and catteries
- Casinos and gambling clubs
- Show homes and marketing suites
- Employment agencies

### **Hereditaments that are not reasonably accessible to visiting members of the public**

If a hereditament is not usually reasonably accessible to visiting members of the public, it will be ineligible for relief under the scheme even if there is ancillary use of the hereditament that might be considered to fall within the descriptions listed under *Which properties will benefit from relief?*

### **Hereditaments that are not occupied**

Properties that are not occupied on 1 April 2023 should be excluded from this relief. However, under the mandatory Empty Property Rates Relief, empty properties will receive a 100% reduction in rates for the first three months (and in certain cases, six months) of being empty.

### **Hereditaments that are owned, rented or managed by a local authority**

Hereditaments owned, rented or managed by a local authority, such as visitor centres, tourist information shops and council-run coffee shops or gift shops attached to historic buildings, are exempt from this scheme.

### **How much relief will be available?**

The total amount of government funded relief available for each property under this scheme for 2023-24 is 75% of the relevant bill. This is subject to a cap of £110,000 per business across all their properties in Wales.

The relief should be applied to the net bill remaining after mandatory reliefs (including discretionary elements that are fully or partly local authority funded) and other discretionary reliefs funded by section 31 grants have been applied (excluding those where local authorities have used their wider discretionary relief powers introduced by the Localism Act 2011, which are not funded by section 31 grants). The reliefs to be applied before Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief include categories of discretionary relief available prior to the Localism Act 2011 (eg rates relief for charities, community amateur sports clubs, non-profit organisations, hardship, empty properties). Local authorities may use their wider discretionary powers to offer further discounts outside this scheme or additional relief to hereditaments within the scheme. Where a local authority applies a locally funded relief under section 47 of the Local Government Finance Act 1988, this should be applied after the Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief.

The eligibility for the relief and the relief itself will be assessed and calculated on a daily basis. The following formula should be used to determine the amount of relief to be granted for a particular hereditament in the financial year.

- Amount of relief to be granted =  $V \times 0.75$ , where
- $V$  is the daily charge for the hereditament for the chargeable day after the application of any mandatory relief and any other discretionary reliefs (excluding those where local authorities have used their discretionary relief powers introduced by the Localism Act 2011, which are not funded by section 31 grants).

This should be calculated ignoring any prior-year adjustments in liabilities which fall to be liable on the day.

Businesses who occupy more than one property will be entitled to Retail, Leisure and Hospitality Rates Relief for each of their eligible properties, within the cap of £110,000 per business across Wales.

A business with a single property with a remaining liability (after reliefs) greater than £146,665 can use the entire allocation of relief. No other properties owned by that business will be eligible for the scheme.

Retail, leisure and hospitality properties which are excluded from Small Business Rates Relief due to the multiple occupation rule are eligible for this relief scheme, subject to the cap being applied.

### **Changes to existing hereditaments, including change in occupier**

Empty properties becoming occupied after 1 April 2023 will qualify for this relief from the time of occupation.

If there is a change in occupier part way through the financial year, after relief has already been provided to the hereditament, the new occupier will qualify for the relief if they operate in the retail, leisure or hospitality sectors, on a pro-rata basis. This will be calculated based on

the remaining days of occupation using the formula used in the section titled How much relief will be available?

The discount should be applied on a day-to-day basis using the formula set out above. A new hereditament created as a result of a split or merger during the financial year, or where there is a change of use, should be considered afresh for the discount on that day.

### **The Cash Cap and Subsidy Control**

No ratepayer can, in any circumstances, exceed the £110,000 cash cap across all of their hereditaments in Wales. Where a ratepayer has a qualifying connection with another ratepayer, those ratepayers should be considered as one ratepayer for the purposes of the cash caps. A ratepayer shall be treated as having a qualifying connection with another where:

- both ratepayers are companies and one is a subsidiary of the other, or both are subsidiaries of the same company; or
- only one ratepayer is a company and the other ratepayer has such an interest in that company as would, if the other ratepayer were a company, result in its being the holding company of the other.

As of 4 January 2023, the new UK subsidy control regime commenced with the coming into force of the Subsidy Control Act 2022. The RLHRR scheme is likely to be a subsidy under the new regime. Any relief provided by local authorities under this scheme will need to comply with the UK's domestic and international subsidy control obligations.

To the extent that a local authority is seeking to provide relief that falls below the Minimal Financial Assistance (MFA) thresholds, the Subsidy Control Act 2022 allows an economic actor (eg a holding company and its subsidiaries) to receive up to £315,000 in a 3-year period (consisting of the 2023-24 year and the two previous financial years). Previous iterations of the RLHRR scheme in Wales were not provided as a subsidy. Local authorities should ask the ratepayers, on a self-assessment basis, to declare as part of their application for RLHRR that they are not in breach of the cash cap or MFA limit.

It is the responsibility of the local authority to comply with all relevant subsidy control provisions, including MFA procedure and transparency requirements. More information is available in the UK statutory subsidy control [guidance](#) from the Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy.

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER – FINANCE, PERFORMANCE AND CHANGE

##### TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION FOR HOMELESSNESS

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval from Cabinet to suspend the Council's Contract Procedure Rules (CPRs) in order to secure temporary accommodation for homelessness cases, to meet the Council's statutory housing duty.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objective under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:
- **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 At the start of the Covid 19 Pandemic Welsh Government introduced an 'All In' approach to homelessness and directed local authorities that no-one was to be without accommodation due to the public health imperative.
- 3.2 To meet this requirement the use of temporary accommodation had to be expanded within Bridgend and the service made arrangements with a number of venues to meet the needs of people presenting as homeless. At the start of the Covid pandemic it was expected that the use of such accommodation would be for the short term only and as such short-term block booking arrangements were entered into as part of the Council's emergency response to the pandemic. It was expected that services would, within a period of time, revert to pre covid conditions and therefore this arrangement would not need to be continued for a long period.
- 3.3 At the end of the initial period of bookings, the pandemic and its public health restrictions remained in place and further tranches of 6 monthly bookings were required. Additional units, such as self-contained holiday lets were also required to meet ongoing demands, including from families. Service Level Agreements (SLA's) between the hotels / other accommodation providers and the housing service were agreed.
- 3.4 These arrangements ended on 30 September 2022 and Cabinet was due to receive a report requesting approval for the re-negotiation of arrangements

with accommodation providers. However, due to the passing of Her Majesty in September 2022 Cabinet was postponed and Emergency Delegated Powers were instigated to approve the entering into of a 6-month arrangement with providers to secure accommodation until the 31 March 2023. At that point Welsh Government had not confirmed changes to the priority needs group outlined below and it was unclear whether the on-going need for temporary accommodation would need to be maintained at its current level or increased.

- 3.5 Subsequent to these arrangements being put in place, Welsh Government has confirmed a new category of 'priority need' and as of 24 October 2022 a new category of priority need came into force. Specifically, a person who is street homeless, that is people with no accommodation they are entitled to occupy, are to be provided with temporary accommodation. This has therefore become a statutory duty and the pressing need for temporary accommodation has not ceased or reduced, with the result that the tourism accommodation initially taken on a short-term basis has become key in the Council's ability to meet the Council's legal duties, without which the Council may face legal challenge. This is also the position across other authorities in Wales.
- 3.6 The additional expenditure incurred to meet these demands has, to date, been largely funded by the Welsh Government.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

- 4.1 The current arrangements with 13 unique landlords, providing 50 accommodation settings, will come to an end on the 31<sup>st</sup> March and approval is sought to enter into arrangements with current and new partners for a period of 'up to' 12 months dependent upon predicted needs for that unit. This will allow the opportunity to negotiate rates with the intention of reaching more favourable arrangements with providers and will also allow the service to have the security of accommodation for homelessness cases.
- 4.2 The demand for temporary accommodation has significantly increased post Covid 19 which has placed extraordinary and sustained pressure on the service to deliver which could not have been predicted. At the end of the financial year in 2019/2020 there were 83 households in temporary accommodation. At the same point during 2020/2021 this figure had increased to 187, and at 2021/22 increased further to 199. During the week of 6 February – 12 February 2023 45 homelessness applications were received. At that point there were 253 households in temporary accommodation comprising 491 people of which 187 are children. This has meant that suitable family accommodation has had to be found from within the tourism sector. Although there is a constant flow of people out of temporary accommodation as a variety of outcomes are reached for these cases, the consistent inflow of applicants needing temporary accommodation means that any vacancies are filled immediately. As a result -
- the increase in family presentation has meant that increased family units have been used from within the tourism sector and 51% are from within the tourism sector.
  - The Council is routinely having to book hotels out of county to accommodate those on a waiting list for temporary accommodation, whose options run out.

- As of 24 February 2023 there are a further 180 households who are not homeless currently, but who are either waiting or may imminently need temporary accommodation. This is an indicator of the continued pressures on the housing service.

- 4.3 Initial exploration of procurement processes to secure this resource has identified a number of challenges to the procuring of this provision. As providers of this accommodation tend to be small businesses, or individual entities, securing the provision through established processes raises the following queries which require further discussion with legal and procurement colleagues -
- experience of council procurement process is expected to be limited or unknown and a period of time for contractor engagement would be required;
  - the model of procurement and contractual arrangements needs to be carefully defined as providers are not a collective body but are instead a series of individuals that will require individual contracts;
  - any procurement process will need to fit the unique nature of this provision and be streamlined to ensure that providers are not deterred from working with the Council;
  - There are thought to be a limited amount of accommodation providers who would be willing to offer their properties for the purpose of temporary accommodation.
- 4.4 The points identified above, means that a formal procurement process has not been able to be developed currently and will be subject to further clarification of the above issues, over the next 12 months. To allow the continuation of the arrangements with existing accommodation providers, and where new providers are required, it is proposed that Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) enter into further SLA's of 'up to' 12 months as required, in order to meet presenting need. It is proposed that the agreements with existing accommodation providers be used, to enable consistency in provision for both BCBC and any service users accommodated. This will ensure that the Council meets its statutory duties in relation to homelessness and the new priority need category.
- 4.5 Cabinet needs to be aware that in taking forward this action, the Council is exposed to the risk of potential challenge from other accommodation providers. The Council's CPRs ensure that procurement exercises are lawful and carried out in compliance with Public Procurement Law, in particular the Public Contract Regulations 2015. This report proposes entering into agreements without any competition which breaches the requirements of the Public Contract Regulations 2015 and therefore requires Cabinet's approval to set aside the Council's CPRs.
- 4.6 The risk of challenge is not possible to quantify, however given the need to continue service provision to vulnerable people, the pressures on current homelessness services, and the limited availability of suitable and willing accommodation providers to provide such accommodation, Cabinet may take the view that the potential for challenge is one it is prepared to accept. In addition, due to the specialist nature of provision there are relatively limited providers of such services.
- 4.7 It is acknowledged that the use of tourism accommodation at this scale is not a suitable or sustainable way to meet statutory housing duties. Several strands of

work are ongoing to secure more suitable temporary accommodation and also more permanent, move on accommodation. A new Homelessness Strategy, Housing Prospectus and a Rapid Rehousing Transitional Plan will be presented to Cabinet in a separate report which outlines proposals to reduce the level of temporary accommodation used and includes proposals to –

- Expand existing accommodation and housing related support projects, such as the Alternative to Bed and Breakfast Accommodation service
- Progress capital projects through the Social Housing Grant or other capital funding sources that may become available
- Working with a private landlord to provide additional accommodation units
- Work in partnership with other statutory and 3<sup>rd</sup> sector organisations to ensure that housing related support for households is maintained and expanded where needs identify a gap in provision

4.8 Whilst the strands of work detailed above are ongoing, they are challenging pieces of work, which will take time. For example capital projects will take time to be delivered and engaging with the private rent sector at this stage is extremely difficult due to wider market conditions which have left rents and property prices inflated.

4.9 As such whilst the long-term unsuitability of the current temporary arrangements are acknowledged they are necessary in order to meet statutory duties and safeguard vulnerable individuals, who may otherwise be rough sleeping.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 This report is requesting a suspension of the Council's CPRs, but no amendment to the CPRs is being sought.

## **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh Language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales, the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

7.1 The report contributes to the following goals within the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015:

- A prosperous Wales
- A resilient Wales
- A Wales of cohesive communities
- A globally responsive Wales

7.2 It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.



## **8. Financial implications**

- 8.1 The cost of the additional units of accommodation is dependent on size and nature of the property with larger properties costing more than smaller properties. Final costs will be negotiated during discussions with accommodation providers but the service will seek to keep any costs to a minimum.
- 8.2 Welsh Government 'Homelessness – No One Left Out Approach Grant' has been used to cover accommodation costs and was uplifted for 2022/23 to the sum of £2,067,175. The indicative allocation for Bridgend for 2023/2024 is currently £898,694. This funding will be used towards the cost of the accommodation, with the balance being met from the BCBC core budget of £2.192 million that was approved by Council as part of the budget setting process in February 2021 to continue the commitment to focus support for homelessness individuals providing them with accommodation.

## **9. Recommendations**

- 9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:
- Suspends the relevant parts of the Council's Contract Procedure Rules with regards to the requirement to tender for a contract and delegates to the Group Manager – Housing to enter into Service Level Agreements with accommodation providers for a period of 'up to' 12 months, in order to continue the provision of additional temporary accommodation, as necessary to meet BCBC's statutory duties.
  - Delegates authority to the Group Manager - Housing to approve the final terms of the Service Level Agreements on behalf of the Council and to arrange execution of the agreements on behalf of the Council.

**Carys Lord**  
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**24<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

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None

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### INFORMATION REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

#### ESTYN INSPECTION OUTCOMES FOR AFON Y FELIN PRIMARY SCHOOL, PIL PRIMARY SCHOOL, CORNELI PRIMARY SCHOOL AND BRYNMENYN PRIMARY SCHOOL

#### 1. Purpose of report

1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform Cabinet of the outcomes of the recent Estyn inspection visits to:

- Afon y Felin Primary School;
- Pîl Primary School;
- Corneli Primary School; and
- Brynmenyn Primary School.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives / other corporate priorities

2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:

**Supporting a successful sustainable economy** - taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focused on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough.

**Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy, and independent lives.

**Smarter use of resources** - ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

### 3. Background

- 3.1 All four primary schools were last inspected during the period of June 2012 to June 2014 under the old Estyn inspection framework.
- 3.2 Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, Estyn suspended inspections across all schools for a two-year period from March 2020 to February 2022.
- 3.3 During the spring and summer term 2022, Estyn piloted inspection arrangements that support renewal and reform in Welsh education. The new inspection reports will no longer include summative gradings, but instead will detail how well providers are helping a child to learn.
- 3.4 In the current Estyn reporting format, schools are judged as being in one of the following categories:
- No follow up
  - Estyn review
  - Significant improvement required
  - Special measures required
- 3.5 During summer and autumn term 2022, Estyn visited four primary schools in Bridgend. The full text of these reports is available on the Estyn website: [www.estyn.gov.uk](http://www.estyn.gov.uk).

### 4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 Generally, the recommendations align to the areas for development that had been identified by the schools, reflecting the effective self-evaluation processes in each school.

#### Afon y Felin Primary School

- 4.2 Afon y Felin Primary School was inspected by Estyn in June 2022 and the report was published on 30 August 2022.
- 4.3 Estyn inspectors concluded that the school is making sufficient progress and **no follow-up action** is required.
- 4.4 The Afon y Felin Primary School report included the following recommendations:

Recommendation	Recommendation

Recommendation 1	Strengthen self-evaluation processes to focus more specifically on the impact of teaching and learning
Recommendation 2	Ensure that teachers use assessment and feedback approaches effectively to support pupil progress
Recommendation 3	Plan purposeful opportunities for older pupils to develop their literacy and numeracy skills across the curriculum

4.5 The local authority, along with Central South Consortium, supported the school in drawing up an action plan to show how the recommendations will be addressed.

### **Pîl Primary School**

4.6 Pîl Primary School was inspected by Estyn in July 2022 and the report was published on 6 September 2022.

4.7 Estyn inspectors concluded that the school is making sufficient progress and **no follow-up action** is required.

4.8 The Pîl Primary School report included the following recommendations:

<b>Recommendation</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
Recommendation 1	Sharpen monitoring procedures to focus precisely on the impact of teaching
Recommendation 2	Improve opportunities for pupils to develop their creative skills progressively
Recommendation 3	Refine teaching to enable pupils to exercise more independence in what and how they learn

4.9 The local authority, along with Central South Consortium, supported the school in drawing up an action plan to show how the recommendations will be addressed.

### **Corneli Primary School**

4.10 Corneli Primary School was inspected by Estyn in October 2022 and the report was published on 5 December 2022.

4.11 Estyn inspectors concluded that the school is making sufficient progress and **no follow-up action** is required.

4.12 The Corneli Primary School report included the following recommendations:

Recommendation	Recommendation
Recommendation 1	Sharpen self-evaluation processes to focus more specifically on the impact of teaching on learning
Recommendation 2	Improve the quality of teachers' feedback to pupils to enable them to identify the next steps in their learning
Recommendation 3	Ensure that professional learning impacts positively and consistently on the quality of teaching and learning across the school
Recommendation 4	Provide meaningful opportunities for pupils to develop their independent learning skills

4.13 The local authority, along with Central South Consortium, will support the school in drawing up an action plan to show how the recommendations will be addressed. The school was also asked to produce a case study on its work in relation to how the school has supported the development of pupils' understanding of financial awareness, for dissemination on Estyn's website.

### Brynmenyn Primary School

4.14 Brynmenyn Primary School was inspected by Estyn in October 2022 and the report was published on 19 December 2022.

4.15 Estyn inspectors concluded that the school is making sufficient progress and **no follow-up action** is required.

4.16 The Brynmenyn Primary School report included the following recommendations:

Recommendation	Recommendation
Recommendation 1	Focus monitoring, evaluation, and improvement strategies more sharply on improving provision and the standards of pupils' learning
Recommendation 2	Provide opportunities for pupils to take responsibility for their own learning and become independent learners

Recommendation 3	Improve pupils' Welsh speaking skills
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4.17 The local authority, along with Central South Consortium, will support the school in drawing up an action plan to show how the recommendations will be addressed.

**5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 There is no impact on the Council's policy framework or procedure rules.

**6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh Language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. This is an information report, therefore it is not necessary to carry out an Equality Impact assessment in the production of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

**7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 Assessment**

7.1 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 Assessment provides a comprehensive summary of the outcomes expected from the implementation of the service.

**Long-term** Supports the improvement of standards and outcomes in schools.

**Prevention** Development of post-inspection action plans or refinement of school improvement plans helped to ensure that recommendations identified are addressed and acted upon to secure school improvement, preventing standards from slipping. The local authority and Central South Consortium will continue to monitor the school's progress.

**Integration** Monitoring and acting upon school inspection reports is key to ensuring that outcomes for schools are achieved thus helping to support a successful economy.

**Collaboration** The local authority works closely with schools, Estyn and with Central South Consortium to deliver the well-being objectives related to school improvement. The local authority receives the school inspection reports from Estyn and this informs the work

conducted by Central South Consortium to deliver the support for school improvement services.

**Involvement** This area of work involves all stakeholders in school improvement. Schools work closely with Improvement Partners from Central South Consortium to refine their improvement plans or post-inspection action plans and to identify strategic support from the local authority, Central South Consortium and elsewhere (as required) reflecting the diversity of stakeholders involved in aspects of school improvement.

## **8. Financial implications**

8.1 There are no financial implications arising directly from this information report.

## **9. Recommendation**

9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet notes the content of this report.

**Lindsay Harvey**

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

#### ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS TRANSFORMATION GRANT

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to seek approval from Cabinet for Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) to enter into an agreement with Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council (RCTCBC), Cardiff Council, Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council and Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding the Additional Learning Needs Transformation Grant 2021-2022.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:
- **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study, and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications, and ambitions for all people in the county borough.
  - **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy, and independent lives.
  - **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human, and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Additional Learning Needs Transformation Grant 2021-2022 ('the ALN Grant') is a Welsh Government grant-funded scheme to support the delivery of the additional learning needs transformation programme, including the management of the implementation of the Additional Learning Needs and Education Tribunal (Wales) Act 2018 (ALNET Act).
- 3.2 RCTCBC, acting as the lead local authority, applied to Welsh Government for the ALN Grant on behalf of Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC), Cardiff Council, Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council, Vale of Glamorgan Council, and third-party

providers (who are further education sector and local health boards in the regions of the councils).

- 3.3 The purpose of the ALN Grant is to support local authorities to develop and promote innovative, multi-agency and cross-sector working practices to support learners with additional learning needs (ALN) and in the management of the implementation of the ALNET Act.
- 3.4 The ALN Grant must be used to support partnerships between local authorities and other agencies involved in supporting learners with ALN such as schools, further education institutes, early years' providers, specialist post-16 providers, local health boards and the third sector.
- 3.5 Cabinet approved entering into a similar agreement on similar terms for the 2019-20 ALN Grant in December 2019 and in February 2022 for the 2020-2021 grant.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

- 4.1 The application for the ALN Grant was successful and an award of funding for up to £943,845 was made to RCTCBC as lead local authority which will be allocated to each council in accordance with the ALN Implementation Plan.
- 4.2 As lead local authority, RCTCBC is required to accept the terms and conditions of the ALN Grant as set out in the offer letter from Welsh Government. To deliver the project and ensure compliance with the terms and conditions set out in the offer letter, RCTCBC requires BCBC, along with the three other local authorities listed at section 3.2 of this report, to enter into an agreement in relation to the ALN Grant. This agreement shall set out the roles and responsibilities of the councils and how the funding shall be allocated.
- 4.3 The ALN Implementation Plan is monitored by Group Manager(Learner Support) and is reported to senior management on a quarterly basis as part of the Education and Family Support Directorate Business Plan.

#### **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

- 5.1 There is no impact on the policy framework or procedure rules.

#### **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

- 6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh Language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. This is an information report; therefore it is not necessary to carry out an Equality Impact assessment in the production of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

#### **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

- 7.1 A Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 assessment has been completed.

A summary of the implications from the assessment relating to the five ways of working is as follows:

**Long-term**

Supports the development of training needs and the implementation of the ALNET Act.

**Prevention**

The focus of the ALNET Act is meeting needs of learners with ALN at an early stage and preventing situations escalating resulting in needs not being met.

**Integration**

The integration of all stakeholders is promoted with the implementation of the ALNET Act.

**Collaboration**

The ALNET Act and its implementation places an emphasis on collaboration to achieve a person-centred approach.

**Involvement**

There is diversity concerning the involvement of stakeholders such as schools, parents/carers, Central South Consortium, local health, further education institutes, early years' providers, and specialist post-16 providers

**8. Financial implications**

- 8.1 The total value of the grant for 2021-2022 is £943,845. However, the amount available to local authorities, schools, further education providers and Health is £818,845 as there is a retained element of £125k for the employment of the regional ALN Transformation Lead and associated costs and administration and finance support. The allocation of grant spend for local authorities is £248,925 of which BCBC expects to receive £41,779.
- 8.2 The funding is awarded to RCTCBC as the designated lead authority and on behalf of the Central South Region which also includes BCBC, Cardiff Council, Vale of Glamorgan Council and Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council.

**9. Recommendations**

- 9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:
- approves the Council entering into the agreement with RCTCBC, Cardiff Council, Merthyr Tydfil County Borough Council and Vale of Glamorgan Council regarding the Additional Learning Needs Transformation Grant 2021-2022; and
  - delegates authority to the Corporate Director Education and Family Support to negotiate and agree the final terms of the agreement with the other Councils and enter and arrange execution of that agreement, subject to such

delegated authority being exercised in consultation with the Section 151 Officer and Chief Officer – Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy.

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR - EDUCATION AND FAMILY SUPPORT

#### SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT BETWEEN HM PRISON AND PROBATION SERVICE (HMPPS) AND BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE HELD AT HM PRISON PARC YOUNG OFFENDERS INSTITUTION (YOI)

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval of a service level agreement to support young people held at HM Prison Parc Young Offenders Institution (HMPYOI) and fulfil the statutory responsibilities of the Children Acts 1989 and 2004.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives/other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objective/objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:
- **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study, and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications, and ambitions for all people in the county borough.
  - **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy, and independent lives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 HMPPS Youth Custody Service (YCS) funds the dedicated social worker (DSW) provision across the under-18 public and private young offenders institutions in England and Wales.
- 3.2 DSWs have a role in working with those children identified as being most vulnerable and where the greatest risk to their safety and wellbeing exists, including where they may be supported by, or eligible for service from, a local authority's Children's Social Care Service.
- 3.3 In the county borough of Bridgend, HMPYOI is a setting that requires such a provision.

- 3.4 Historically, Bridgend County Borough Council employed a senior social work practitioner as part of the Bridgend Youth Justice Service to fulfill this role. This arrangement ended in December 2020.
- 3.5 In the interim HMPYOI put in place arrangements to fulfill the role albeit not with the independence that HMPPS was seeking.
- 3.6 With this in mind, the local authority, HMPYOI and HMPPS officers have worked together to develop a service level agreement (attached as Appendix 1) to reintroduce a senior practitioner to HMPYOI.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

- 4.1 The proposal is to provide a dedicated senior social work practitioner from Bridgend Youth Justice Service to work as part of the Youth Custody Service within HM Parc Prison, Bridgend with children subject to remand/custodial sentences in the HMPYOI.
- 4.2 This officer will work with the safeguarding team and resettlement practitioners to deliver on a number of positive outcomes for both children and young people and the establishment within which their duties are discharged. These will include ensuring that:
- HMPYOI is fulfilling its statutory safeguarding duties effectively and is compliant with all relevant legislation and guidance;
  - all children and young people who are within HM Parc Prison, and who are currently or have been in the past, looked after or cared for by a local authority, are identified and supported to access statutory services to which they are entitled; and
  - all children and young persons identified as Children in Need (England) or Care and Support (Wales) either in custody or on release are assessed as such and provided with access to services/support at the appropriate time.

#### **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

- 5.1 There is no impact on the Council's policy framework or procedure rules.

#### **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

- 6.1 An initial equalities impact assessment (EIA) screening has identified that there would be no negative impact on those with one or more of the protected characteristics, on socio-economic disadvantage or the use of the Welsh language. It is therefore not necessary to carry out a full EIA on this policy or proposal.

#### **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

- 7.1 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 Assessment provides a comprehensive summary of the outcomes expected from the implementation of the service.

<b>Long-term</b>	Supports improved outcomes for children, young people, and families.
<b>Prevention</b>	Work undertaken to reduce or prevent the risk of reoffending.
<b>Integration</b>	Bridgend Youth Justice Service will work closely with the responsible local authority to ensure the needs of the child are met and an appropriate plan is in place for release.
<b>Collaboration</b>	A variety of agencies will work together on a multi-agency basis to develop a robust plan for the child to reduce or prevent further offending.
<b>Involvement</b>	This area of work involves a range of stakeholders including the local authority, HM Parc Prison, South Wales Police, and the National Probation Service.

## 8. Financial implications

8.1 The financial implications are outlined in the attached service level agreement (SLA) which will be reviewed on an annual basis. As all costs will be recovered from the Youth Custody Service there will be no cost to the Council from this arrangement.

8.2 These can be summarised as:

- from 2 January 2023 to 31 March 2023, Bridgend County Borough Council will invoice the Youth Custody Service to the value of not more than £18,973.50, based on ad hoc support based on service need; and
- for the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024, Bridgend Youth Justice Service will invoice against the purchase order to a value of not more than £75,894 (made up of £54,183 for the Senior Social Work Practitioner with the remaining £21,711 covering management and administration support).

## 9. Recommendations

9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:

- delegates authority to the Corporate Director Education and Family Support to negotiate and enter into the service level agreement; and
- approve any extension or amendment to the service level agreement and to enter into any further deeds and documents which are ancillary to the service level agreement.

**Lindsay Harvey**  
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None





HM Prison &  
Probation Service



Youth  
Custody  
Service

**Bridgend County Borough Council**

**Youth Justice Service**

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Date: 28 February 2023

Dear colleagues

**Award of Agreement for the supply of seconded Dedicated Social Worker (DSW)**

This letter formally awards the agreement for the secondment of a dedicated social worker in HMYOI Parc to you, Bridgend County Borough Council.

This letter and the annexes set out the terms of the Agreement between the Youth Custody Service (YCS) and Bridgend County Borough Council .

For the purposes of the Agreement, the Customer and the Supplier agree as follows:

- 1) The Services shall be performed at HMYOI Parc.
- 2) The specification of the DSW Services to be supplied are as set out by YCS HQ Safeguarding Team in the attached Service Level Agreement and Role Profile
- 3) The Term shall commence on 2 January 2023 and will be reviewed in December each year as per Section 7, Review of Service.
- 4) A purchase order for financial year ending 31 March 2023 has been raised and costs as per the agreement below will be invoiced by Bridgend County Borough Council against that purchase order to a value of not more than £18,973.50
- 5) A purchase order for the year 1 April 2023 to 31 March 2024 will be raised. Bridgend Youth Justice Service will invoice against this purchase order to a value of not more than £75,894
- 6) Thereafter, annually, Bridgend County Borough Council and the Youth Custody Service Safeguarding Team will agree costs for the following year by December of the year before and a purchase order will be raised to cover that cost. A purchase order for the year 2024/2025 will therefore be raised by end of December 2023, by the finance administrator in YCS head quarters hub.

Appendix 1

7) The address for notices of the Parties are:

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Attention: Mark Lewis

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8) The following persons are key personnel for the purposes of the Agreement:

**(NAME)**

**(POSITION HELD)**

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Wendy Tomlinson

Head of Safeguarding, Youth Custody  
Service

Janet Wallsgrove

Director, HMP and YOI Parc

9) Customer requires the supplier to ensure that any person employed in the provision of the Services has undertaken a Disclosure and Barring Service check. The Supplier shall ensure that no person who discloses that he/she has a conviction that is relevant to the nature of the Services, relevant to the work of the Customer, or is of a type otherwise advised by the Customer is employed or engaged in the provision of any part of the Services.

Signed for and on behalf of YCS Safeguarding Team

Name: Wendy Tomlinson  
Head of Safeguarding

Signature.....

Date.....

Appendix 1

Signed for and on behalf of Bridgend County Borough Council

Name: Lindsay Harvey – Corporate Director,  
Education and Family Support.

**(POST HELD)**

Signature:  .....

Date: 28 February 2023



[Annex 3]

# Service Level Agreement

To Co-ordinate and Develop Social Work Services to  
Support Children and Young People in Custody at,  
HMP /Young Offenders Institute Parc

**Between:** HMPPS Youth Custody Service  
and HMYOI Parc  
and Bridgend County Borough Council

**Commencing:** 2 January 2023

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## **PART 1 – AGREEMENT CONDITIONS**

THE PROVISION OF SERVICES BY LOCAL AUTHORITIES UNDER THE CHILDREN ACT 1989 and 2004 AND OTHER STATUTORY GUIDANCE TO CHILDREN/YOUNG PEOPLE HELD IN YOUNG OFFENDERS INSTITUTIONS

### **1. OBJECT OF THE AGREEMENT**

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This Service Level Agreement (SLA) sets out the arrangements and mutual responsibilities of the parties concerned, for the provision of services under the Children Acts 1989 and 2004, LASPOA, Leaving Care Act by Bridgend Youth Justice Service to children and young people held in Parc Young Offenders Institution. The Youth Custody Service (YCS) is funding the provision of dedicated social work posts (DSWs).

For the purposes of clarity, the YCS are party to this agreement. The YCS have provided the funding for these posts and as such have provided a **DSW Role Profile** which sets out the objectives the YCS and establishment wish to achieve.

Children and family social workers have relevant specialist professional knowledge and expertise which will enable Governors (Directors for privately managed facilities) to fulfil their statutory duties under section 11 of the Children Act 2004. Although these social work posts will be to support the Governor/Director in meeting existing safeguarding responsibilities, employment through the Local Authority affords an additional layer of support, independence, transparency and accountability and supports the local authority to exercise its statutory duties to children held in HMYOI Parc. It furthermore ensures that Governors/Directors can draw on appropriate, current expertise in **Safeguarding, Child Protection, Looked after Children work and social work practice**, which will in turn facilitate good working relationships between establishments and local authorities.

The YCS ask the host local authority, Bridgend County Borough Council, to directly employ a qualified social worker and provide the management and supervision of this post.

### **2. PARTIES TO THE AGREEMENT**

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The parties to this Agreement are:

- Youth Custody Service (YCS) National Safeguarding Team
- HMYOI Parc
- Bridgend County Borough Council – Youth Justice Service

#### **Nominated Officers**

For the purpose of this Agreement, the Nominated Officers are;

Wendy Tomlinson, National Head of Safeguarding, YCS

Janet Wallsgrove, Director, on behalf of HMYOI Parc,

Mark Lewis on behalf of Bridgend Youth Justice Service

### **3. PERIOD OF THIS AGREEMENT**

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This agreement covers the period starting 2 January 2023 to 31 March 2024. The Agreement will be reviewed annually, in accordance with section 7 Review of Service, in December each year and, subject to the outcome of the review, the Agreement will be renewed on an ongoing basis.

### **4. FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS**

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Both parties agree that funding will be used for staffing and related costs. Any additional or supplementary costs not specifically identified within this agreement will be considered by both parties at the agreement review meetings.

- **Payment**

All invoices must be sent, quoting a valid purchase order number (PO Number), via email to : [APinvoices-NMS-U@gov.sscl.com](mailto:APinvoices-NMS-U@gov.sscl.com) or by post to: SSCL, HM Prison & Probation Service, PO Box 741, Newport, Gwent, NP10 8FZ. Within [10] working days of receipt of your countersigned copy of this letter, we will send you a unique PO Number. You must be in receipt of a valid PO Number before submitting an invoice. A new PO number will be sent each financial year which will account for the full costs of the post, including inflationary salary increase.

To avoid delay in payment it is important that the invoice is compliant and that it includes a valid PO Number, PO Number item number (if applicable) and the details (name and telephone number) of your customer contact. Non-compliant invoices will be sent back to you, which may lead to a delay in payment. If you have a query regarding an outstanding payment, please contact our Accounts Payable section either by email to [MoJ-finance-ap-enquiries@gov.sscl.com](mailto:MoJ-finance-ap-enquiries@gov.sscl.com) or by telephone 0345 241 5351 (Option 2) between 09:00-17:00 Monday to Friday.

- **Commencement of Service**

The service, as described in this agreement will commence on 2 January 2023

### **5. TERMINATION**

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The Customer may terminate the Agreement at any time by notice in writing to the Supplier at least three months in advance of termination.

### **6. THE SERVICES**

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The main areas of service provided by Bridgend County Borough Council under the Children Act 1989 and 2004:

- Services in relation to safeguarding children including child protection
- Services in relation to looked after children
- Services in relation to children in need

In order to achieve this the dedicated social worker will work with a number of other agencies including Youth Justice Service, professionals from the host authority and children's home authorities, independent reviewing officers and relevant designated officers.

## **7. OUTCOMES**

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Dedicated social workers in the YOI will work with the Safeguarding Team and Resettlement Practitioners to deliver on a number of positive outcomes for both children and young people and the establishment within which their duties are discharged. These will include ensuring that:

- The YOI is fulfilling its statutory safeguarding duties effectively and are compliant with all relevant legislation and guidance
- All children and young people who are, or have been in the past, looked after or cared for by the local authority are identified and supported to access statutory services to which they are entitled
- All children and young persons identified as Children in Need (in custody and on release) are assessed as such and provided with appropriate services/support while in custody and in preparation for and during release

## **PART 2 – AGREEMENT SPECIFICATION**

### **1. RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE PARTIES**

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#### **1.1 HMYOI Parc, will agree:**

- To provide an office with facilities to local authority staff (office space, furniture and equipment, including access to keys, phones, faxes, photocopiers, PCs etc)
- Access to children/young people and relevant staff in the YOI. This includes the provision of keys to allow access to the relevant parts of the YOI.
- To fulfil statutory responsibilities under section 11 of the Children Act 2004
- To report to the Local Safeguarding Children's Partnership (LSCP) including via sub-groups where applicable.

#### **1.2 Bridgend Youth Justice Service will agree:**

- To provide management, supervision, support and ongoing professional development for seconded social workers in the YOI



- To exercise professional responsibility for all children and young people whilst in custody within the YOI in accordance with Munby 2002; Children Acts 1989 and 2004; LASPOA 2012, Children (Leaving Care) Act 2000, Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014.
- To proactively contribute to all safeguarding processes at HMYOI Parc and to drive forward safeguarding children and young people in custody on a local and national level
- To ensure effective communication systems are in place between Bridgend Youth Justice Service and HMYOI Parc; this includes the potential commissioning of any services required to fulfil this statutory responsibility.
- To report to the Local Safeguarding Children's Partnership (LSCP) including via sub-groups where applicable.
- To support all aspects of the DSW work as per the YCS DSW Role Profile.

### 1.3 DSW - Strategic area

- To assist the staff of the YOI in developing and implementing safeguarding policies and procedures, in line with LSCP expectations and relevant legislation and guidance.

### 1.4 DSW - Operational area

- To **facilitate** any section 47 enquiries in relation to children and young people held in the YOI, in line with legislation, guidance, and the local policies and procedures.
- To **facilitate** any strategy discussions in relation to children and young people in the YOI, in line with legislation, guidance, and the local policies and procedures.
- Provide direct support, advice, guidance and assistance in relation to safeguarding referrals to the Local Authority ('Duty and Advice Team' or 'MASH' team) and establishment Child Protection Co-ordinator.
- Provide direct advice, support and guidance in relation to any serious incident notifications to the LSCP.
- To work with the LADO (Local Authority Designated Officer) and the establishment Child Protection Co-ordinator where there are allegations against members of staff (voluntary and paid employees/volunteers).
- Attendance and offer professional contribution to meetings at the request of senior managers in the establishment.

- Provide direct support, advice, guidance and assistance to the establishment Resettlement Team for Children in Need and Looked after Children.
- In liaison with the Safeguarding Manager create and deliver a report detailing the work completed by the DSW Team – this will contribute to the YOIs strategic Quarterly Safeguarding Meeting.
- Create a DSW Annual Report for YCS HQ and LSCP

### **1.5 Quality Assurance – YOI & LA joint personnel**

- To carry out Quality Assurance on a random selection of safeguarding referrals and allegation management procedures.
- The LSCP will contribute to Quality Assurance as discussed/agreed.
- Internal and external audit checks on fulfilling our statutory responsibilities under section 11 Children Act 2004 (safeguarding team at HMYOI Parc and the LSCP)
- Meet with the Head of Safeguarding and Head of Resettlement, at an agreed frequency to review delivery of service, agree any changes in methods of delivery and quality assure processes from both a social work and establishment perspective.

## **2. SAFEGUARDING IN RESPECTIVE AGENCIES**

- 2.1 All DSW staff shall be directly employed by Bridgend County Borough Council. All staff involved in the delivery of this service will remain the responsibility of Bridgend County Borough Council in the event of this agreement being terminated.
  - 2.2 Social Work staff involved in this service will be line managed by the team manager in the first instance and the Service Delivery Manager within Bridgend Youth Justice Service. They will ensure that there is a regular meeting with the Head of Safeguarding within the establishment to update on the social work service plan and agree any objectives or developments.
  - 2.3 Bridgend County Borough Council will only second people who are suitable, competent and appropriately qualified and trained as per the YCS DSW Job Profile.
  - 2.4 In the event of long-term absence or they are unable to deliver their duties (over 4 weeks) of the designated officers involved in the delivery of the DSW Service, Bridgend County Borough Council will liaise with the YOI and the YCS Safeguarding Team to seek to provide adequate 'cover staff' where possible, to ensure that the services described in this agreement are maintained
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- 2.5 Bridgend Youth Justice Service shall ensure that all their staff keep information confidential which is, or becomes part of their knowledge, by virtue of the provision of the service.
- 2.6 All staff employed by Bridgend County Borough Council in the provision of this service shall be prohibited from soliciting any gratuity or tips or any other form of money taking or reward, collection or charge for any of the services

### **3. LOCATION OF SERVICE AND OTHER CONDITIONS**

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- 3.1 The service will assist the YOI Head of Safeguarding in ensuring that safeguarding training for YOI staff is developed, co-ordinated and implemented in line with LSCP and national expectations and to that end will be expected to be on site at Parc for most of their working hours / week and not less than two-thirds of full time equivalent, with the remainder of full-time equivalent being flexible.
- 3.2 To work jointly with HMYOI Parc, to urgently consider any potential risks to any other children and young people in custody
- 3.3 To maintain effective maintenance of partnerships between relevant agencies in order to meet the needs of the children and young people in custody and their resettlement
- 3.4 To assist in the development and updating of the safeguarding policies and procedures to safeguard the welfare of children visiting those held in custody
- 3.5 To ensure a screening mechanism is in place to establish which children and young people entering HMYOI Parc are either the subject of child protection procedures, on a child protection plan, or are a 'Looked After Child'. The initial DSW Screening document should be made available to all staff.
- 3.6 Sharing of relevant information to the appropriate managers ascertained about the children and young person from the screening process to allow the establishment to make informed decisions and keep the child/young person safe.
- 3.7 To adhere to all relevant Prison Service Orders, Prison Service Instructions, Frameworks and Governors Orders the establishment works to.
- 3.8 The DSW provision within each YOI needs to reflect the population in terms of actual number and the needs of the children.

### **4. SERVICE OUTCOMES**

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- 4.1 To continue working with the YCS to further develop the roles and responsibilities of dedicated social work posts within YOIs as agreed with the HQ YCS Safeguarding Team.

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- 4.2 All looked after children are visited by their home local authority within 10 working days of admission into custody; statutory visits, reviews and entitlements for looked after children will be monitored by the service
- 4.3 All children and young people who have been identified within the parameters of S17 of the Children Act 1989 are assessed as such and provided with the appropriate services/support while in custody and in preparation for and during release
- 4.6 Individual plans will be in place for all children and young people which meet their welfare and sentence needs, including support required on discharge to prevent re-offending
- 4.7 To assist the home local authority to ensure appropriate and suitable accommodation is sought for the child/young person on release from custody.

### ➤ **CHILD PROTECTION**

- To have openness, transparency and robust child protection procedures
- To have common criteria and basis for intervention with children and young people in custody (Children and Young People's Services)
- To contribute to safeguarding policies and procedures

### ➤ **CHILDREN IN NEED (CIN)**

- All children and young people who arrive into custody will be regarded as a Child in Need and will be treated as such
- All 'Children in Need' will have an action plan to which will be based on multi-agency contributions – whilst in custody and on release back to community

### ➤ **LOOKED AFTER CHILDREN AND CARE LEAVERS**

- All local authorities will be written to with reference to all children and young people who arrive into custody reminding them of their statutory duties
- Children and Young people with Looked After Care status will receive a Looked after Child Review within a month of being placed into custody at HMYOI
- The home local authority social worker to visit children and young people subject to looked after status in custody within 10 working days of arriving into custody.

### ➤ **SERIOUS INCIDENTS RELATING TO A CHILD / YOUNG PERSON IN CUSTODY**

- Ensure that any serious incidents are independently scrutinised for openness and transparency

- Ensure that the LSCP are notified of all 'serious' incidents within HMYOI Parc
- That there is a multi-agency approach to reducing the number and severity of serious incidents in custody

#### 5. **SERVICE USER FEEDBACK**

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To meet with children and young people and have conversations on a regular basis about their experiences in HMYOI Parc sharing the information from these conversations appropriately to allow continuous development of the service delivered.

#### 6. **AMENDING THIS AGREEMENT**

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This agreement may not be altered or amended without the written consent of all parties to the agreement.

#### 7. **REVIEW OF SERVICE**

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This SLA will be reviewed on a yearly basis, in December, by the **three parties to the agreement** and with the full consultation of the YCS.

#### 8. **DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION**

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Working openly and effectively with issues of diversity is at the heart of Youth Custody Service, HMYOI Parc, and Bridgend County Borough Council. We are aiming to ensure that fairness and equality of opportunity is central to our work. We aim to employ people from a diversity of backgrounds, with a wide range of skills in order to make us more adaptable, understanding and receptive to the needs of the children and young people we serve.

We acknowledge the unique contribution that all potential candidates can bring in terms of their culture, ethnicity, gender, nationality, age, religion, disability, sexual orientation, education, experiences, opinions and beliefs.

#### 9. **SAFER RECRUITMENT AND INDUCTION**

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HMYOI Parc, will ensure that all staff employed by the prison will have in date DBS checks renewable **every three years**. Partner agencies will also be subject to these criteria and this requirement will be included in their Service Level Agreements (SLA). No person will have direct, unsupervised access to any child / young person held in the secure setting until they have an up to date DBS check.

To co-operate with the security vetting requirements of the establishment. Bridgend County Borough Council will check all staff (including agency and part-time volunteers

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with substantial access to children) to ensure they have up to date Disclosure and Barring checks; ensure that all Staff are vetted in accordance with the Local Authority Vetting Procedures (including; full employment history and relevant verbal and other verifications).

## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER – LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES, HR, AND CORPORATE POLICY

#### FOSTERING FRIENDLY EMPLOYER POLICY

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek approval of a new Fostering Friendly Employer Policy.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives / other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:

- **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy, and independent lives.
- **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human, and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Fostering Network is the UK's leading fostering charity that champion fostering and seek to create vital change so that foster care is the very best it can be. As part of that, the Fostering Friendly programme has been developed to encourage employers to support fostering, and in particular, foster carers.
- 3.2 The Fostering Network has called for employers to become more fostering friendly and be recognised as a "Fostering Friendly Employer", to address national challenges around fostering, highlighted by Welsh Government through the Foster Wales work stream.

#### 4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 The ambition of Foster Wales, the collaborative of all 22 local authority fostering services, is to increase the number of foster carers across Wales and encourage all local current and prospective foster carers to consider fostering with their local

authority team. This also supports the objective of encouraging more working people to become foster carers.

- 4.2 The Foster Friendly Policy, at **Appendix 1** supports this ambition and will help to “bust the myth” that individuals are not allowed to work if they become a foster carer. It will also support the council to become a fostering friendly employer, recognised for helping employees who are foster carers or who want to become foster carers.
- 4.3 The aim of this policy is to offer employees the opportunity to work flexibly where this is compatible with the demands of their job, support employees who are already registered foster carers, and to encourage those who may be considering becoming a foster carer to take that step. By doing so, they will be supporting children and young people who are care experienced in their local communities, providing positive working role models, a stable and caring home and widening the pool of available foster carers.
- 4.4 The policy provisions include up to 5 days “foster carer” leave, which is in addition to other leave provisions, to support employees with the requirements that their role as foster carers can sometimes bring.
- 4.5 The approval of this policy will support the council to be recognised as a Fostering Friendly employer, and in that capacity can encourage other public sector employers and local businesses to do so.
- 4.6 Developed with the support of the Regional Development Manager for fostering across the Cwm Taf Region, this new policy also has the full support of recognised trade unions.

## **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

- 5.1 The annual leave policy will be amended to reflect the leave entitlement within this policy.

## **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

- 6.1 An initial EIA screening has identified that there would be no negative impact on those with one or more of the protected characteristics, on socio-economic disadvantage or the use of the Welsh language. It is therefore not necessary to carry out a full EIA on this policy or proposal.

## **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

- 7.1 The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 provides the basis for driving a different kind of public service in Wales, with five ways of working to guide how the Authority should work to deliver well-being outcomes for people. The following is a summary to show how the five ways of working to achieve the well-being goals have been considered in this report:

- **Long Term** – Becoming a fostering friendly employer will support current and prospective foster carers who work for the council to maintain employment alongside their caring responsibilities. This is intended over time to encourage



individuals to foster and to support the council's ambition to be an employer of choice

- **Prevention** – As stated above this policy will support the recruitment of foster carers by providing greater flexibility in employment. In addition, an increase in foster carers will promote greater placement stability and support them to live closer to home.
- **Integration** – The approval of this policy will support the council to be recognised as a Fostering Friendly employer. Further work will then be undertaken with other public sector employers and local businesses to encourage them to become foster friendly employers.
- **Collaboration** – This policy has been developed through collaboration between the Regional Development Manager for fostering across the Cwm Taf Region, and officers in Human Resources and Children's Services. Recognised trade union representatives have also contributed to the development of this new policy.
- **Involvement** – The foster friendly initiative has been developed by the Fostering Network and Foster Wales is supporting this approach across the 22 local authorities in Wales. Foster carers will be consulted on this at the forthcoming Information, Consultation and Engagement event.

## 8. Financial implications

- 8.1 It is not possible to assess the financial impact as information is not available about the numbers of employees who are foster carers. There may be backfill costs for leave taken under this policy, in those service areas where working hours lost, such as for leave purposes, must be covered. This will need to be met from existing budgets but will be monitored.

## 9. Recommendations

- 9.1 It is recommended that Cabinet:
- Approves the Fostering Friendly Employer Policy
  - Supports the council becoming a recognised Fostering Friendly employer.

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February 2023

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**Background documents:**

None

## **FOSTERING FRIENDLY EMPLOYER POLICY**

### **SCOPE**

This Policy applies to all employees of Bridgend County Borough Council except those employed by Governing Bodies in educational establishments under delegated powers.

**Date of Issue:**

- 1 Policy statement**
- 2 Background**
- 3 Aim**
- 4 Leave entitlement**
- 5 Flexibility**
- 6 Procedure requesting time off**
- 7 Advice and support**
- 8 Monitoring and evaluation**
- 9 Enquiring about becoming a Foster Carer**

## **1 Policy Statement**

- 1.1 Bridgend County Borough Council supports the ambitions of Foster Wales, the collaborative of all 22 local authority fostering services, to increase the number of foster carers across Wales and encourage all local current and prospective foster carers to consider fostering with their local authority team.
- 1.2 The council recognises its commitment to support any employee who is applying to become a foster carer or who is currently a foster carer, by providing time off where necessary. It also recognises and values the contribution that foster carers make to the lives of children and young people who are care experienced and that foster carers may need some flexibility in their working arrangements in order that they can meet the needs of their fostered child or young person.
- 1.3 The provisions of this policy apply to those employees who are going through assessment to become a foster carer or approved foster carers with a registered foster care provider (a local authority or Independent Foster Agency).

## **2. Background**

- 2.1 The Fostering Network has called for employers to become more “fostering friendly” to address national challenges around fostering, highlighted by Welsh Government through the Foster Wales work stream, and to support the objective of encouraging more working people to become foster carers.
- 2.2 Part of the national push to encourage more people to become foster carers, has been to “bust the myth” that you are not allowed to work if you become a foster carer.

## **3. Aim**

- 3.1 The aim of this policy is to offer employees the opportunity to work flexibly where this is compatible with the demands of their job, support employees who are already registered foster carers, and to encourage those who may be considering becoming a foster carer, and to take that step. By doing so they will be supporting children and young people who are care experienced in their local communities, providing positive working role models, a stable and caring home and widening the pool of available foster carers.

## **4. Leave Entitlement**

- 4.1 An employee who is applying to become an approved foster carer may be granted up to 5 days ‘foster carer leave’ with pay (pro rata for part time employees) to attend preapproval training, home assessment visits or to attend foster panel as part of the preparation and assessment process.
- 4.2 Where a couple are applying to become foster carers, and both are employees of the council, the leave entitlement will apply to each partner.
- 4.3 An employee who is already an approved foster carer may be granted 5 days paid leave (pro rata for part time employees) to support in helping the child to

settle into their home, to attend relevant meetings, to undertake training and for emergency circumstances arising from their role as a foster parent. This is in addition to the special leave provisions for childcare responsibilities.

- 4.4 Employees are allowed to make applications for up to 5 days paid leave, per leave year and pro rata from the date of the first request. Where more than the maximum entitlement of paid leave is requested, the employee should discuss with their line manager other options available such as annual leave, special leave, flexitime, time off in lieu, flexibility in their shift pattern etc.
- 4.5 Employees wishing to take leave under this policy must produce written evidence to their manager to show that they are approved foster carers or actively applying to become foster carers. Authorised leave should be recorded in the normal manner

## **5. Flexibility**

- 5.1 Managers should adopt a flexible and accommodating approach to requests for time off, annual leave and flexible working arrangements from foster carers and prospective foster carers.
- 5.2 This should continue during their journey through the process of becoming a foster carer and for the duration that they are foster caring.

## **6. Procedure for Requesting Time Off**

- 6.1 The request for time off should be made to the line manager and should outline the reason and the amount of leave required. The line manager will approve the leave on a discretionary basis, considering individual circumstances of each case and operational requirements of the business. Employees must give their manager as much notice as possible when making a request for foster carer leave. Failure to provide sufficient notice could result in the leave not being approved.

## **7. Advice & Support**

- 7.1 Advice and support for those with management responsibility for employees wanting to foster, or those who are already foster carers can be sought from the Foster Wales Bridgend Team within the council. Advice on the application of this policy can be accessed from Human Resources or Trade Union colleagues.

## **8. Monitoring and Evaluation**

- 8.1 This policy will be reviewed in accordance with the policy review arrangements or any legislation changes, whichever the sooner.

## **9. Enquiring about becoming a Foster Carer**

- 9.1 Why become a foster parent in Bridgend County Borough? It is about putting local children first and making the commitment to do what is best for them.

Foster Wales Bridgend are the council's team and so are not-for-profit, the local experts and part of Foster Wales, the national network of all 22 Welsh Local Authority fostering services.

- 9.2 The team's purpose is to build better futures for local children, and this is done by helping them stay in their local area when it is right for them. If employees think they could help and foster, whether this is supporting a child permanently, on a respite basis, for vulnerable young people or for the growing young refugee community, please contact the council's foster team who want to talk to you.
- 9.3 To find out how fostering could look like, please get in contact, with no obligation, in the following ways:



<https://bridgend.fosterwales.gov.wales/>

01443 425007

enquiries@fosterwalesctm.co.uk

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## BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

### REPORT TO CABINET

14 MARCH 2023

#### REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER - LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES, HR AND CORPORATE POLICY

#### CABINET, COUNCIL AND OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY FORWARD WORK PROGRAMMES

#### 1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to seek Cabinet approval for items to be included on the Cabinet Forward Work Programme for the period 1 March 2023 to 30 June 2023 and for Cabinet to note the Council and Overview and Scrutiny Committees' Forward Work Programmes for the same period.

#### 2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives / other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:-
1. **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough.
  2. **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives.
  3. **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 In accordance with the Council's Constitution, the Forward Work Programme will be prepared by the Monitoring Officer to cover a period of four months except when ordinary elections of councillors occur.
- 3.2 The Forward Work Programme will contain matters which the Cabinet, Overview and Scrutiny Committees and full Council are likely to consider. It will contain information on:

- (a) the timetable for considering the Budget and any plans, policies or strategies forming part of the Policy Framework and requiring Council approval, and which body is to consider them;
- (b) the timetable for considering any plans, policies or strategies which are the responsibility of the Cabinet;
- (c) the work programme of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees, to the extent that it is known.

#### **4. Current situation/proposal**

4.1 The proposed Forward Work Programmes for the above period are appended to the report as follows:

- Cabinet - **Appendix 1**
- Council - **Appendix 2**
- Overview and Scrutiny Committees - **Appendix 3**

4.2 Following consideration by Cabinet, the Forward Work Programmes will be published on the Council's website.

#### **5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules**

5.1 There is no effect on the policy framework and procedure rules.

#### **6. Equality Act 2010 implications**

6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh Language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

#### **7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications**

7.1 The well-being goals identified in the Act were considered in the preparation of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.

#### **8. Financial implications**

8.1 There will be a fairly nominal translation cost of approximately £60 for each quarterly update of the Forward Work Programme, to be met from within the Democratic Services' existing budget.

#### **9. Recommendations**

9.1 Cabinet is recommended to:

- Approve the Cabinet Forward Work Programme for the period 1 March 2023 to 30 June 2023 at **Appendix 1**;
- Note the Council and Overview and Scrutiny Committees' Forward Work Programmes for the same period, as shown at **Appendix 2** and **Appendix 3** of the report, respectively.

**Kelly Watson**

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March 2023**

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**Background documents:** None

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**CABINET FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME - 1 MARCH 2023 TO 30 JUNE 2023**

Date	Title of Report	Contact Officer
14 Mar	RESULT OF TENDER OF ANNUAL INSURANCE POLICIES	Carys Lord Chief Officer – Finance Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	NON-DOMESTIC RATES: DISCRETIONARY RELIEF: RETAIL, LEISURE AND HOSPITALITY RATES RELIEF SCHEME 2023-24	Carys Lord Chief Officer – Finance Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION FOR HOMELESSNESS	Carys Lord Chief Officer – Finance Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a>

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14 Mar	RE-DEVELOPMENT OF COSY CORNER	Janine Nightingale Corporate Director Communities Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk">Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	WELL-MANAGED HIGHWAY INFRASTRUCTURE A CODE OF PRACTICE 2016 -UK ROADS LIAISON GROUP, AND THE COUNTY SURVEYORS SOCIETY WALES (CSSW) RISK BASED APPROACH TO HIGHWAY MANAGEMENT	Janine Nightingale Corporate Director Communities Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk">Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	PUBLIC SPACE PROTECTION ORDER – DOG CONTROL CONSULTATION	Janine Nightingale Corporate Director Communities Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk">Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	TENNIS COURT IMPROVEMENTS AND COMMUNITY ASSET TRANSFER FUND CHANGE OF USE	Janine Nightingale Corporate Director Communities Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk">Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk</a>

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14 Mar	SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT BETWEEN HM PRISON AND PROBATION SERVICE (HMPPS) AND BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE HELD AT HM PRISON PARC YOUNG OFFENDERS INSTITUTION (YOI)	Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	ADDITIONAL LEARNING NEEDS TRANSFORMATION GRANT	Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	ESTYN INSPECTION OUTCOMES FOR AFON Y FELIN PRIMARY SCHOOL, PIL PRIMARY SCHOOL, CORNELI PRIMARY SCHOOL AND BRYNMENYN PRIMARY SCHOOL	Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	FOSTERING FRIENDLY EMPLOYER POLICY	Kelly Watson Chief Officer – Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 <a href="mailto:Kelly.Watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.Watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
14 Mar	CABINET, COUNCIL AND OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY FORWARD WORK PROGRAMMES	Kelly Watson Chief Officer – Legal and

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		Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 <a href="mailto:Kelly.Watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.Watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
11 Apr	<b>School Modernisation Programme – Coety Primary School – Outcome of consultation process</b>	Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
11 Apr	<b>School Modernisation Programme – Bridgend West Mutual Investment Model</b>	Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
11 Apr	<b>Approval of Care Home Fee-Setting Strategy</b>	Claire Marchant Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Claire.Marchant@bridgend.gov.uk">Claire.Marchant@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
11 Apr	<b>Joint Social Services Policies</b>	Claire Marchant Corporate Director Social Services



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11 Apr	Medication Policy	Claire Marchant Corporate Director Social Services and Wellbeing Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Claire.Marchant@bridgend.gov.uk">Claire.Marchant@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
11 Apr	Homelessness Strategy	Carys Lord Chief Officer – Finance Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
9 May	Strategic Commissioning Plans	Claire Marchant Corporate Director Social Services

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		and Wellbeing Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Claire.Marchant@bridgend.gov.uk">Claire.Marchant@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
9 May	Urban Centre property Investment Fund	Janine Nightingale Corporate Director Communities Tel: 01656 643241 Email: <a href="mailto:Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk">Janine.nightingale@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
20 Jun	EFS Strategic Plan 2023-2026	Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a>

**COUNCIL FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME – 1 MARCH 2023 TO 30 JUNE 2023**

Date	Title of Report	Contact Officer
15 Mar	Budget 2023-24	<p>Carys Lord            Chief Officer - Finance,            Performance and Change            Tel: 01656 643302            Email:  <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>
15 Mar	Related Party Transactions 2022-23	<p>Carys Lord            Chief Officer - Finance,            Performance and Change            Tel: 01656 643302            Email:  <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>
15 Mar	Pay Policy 2023-2024	<p>Kelly Watson            Chief Officer, Legal and            Regulatory Services, HR and            Corporate Policy            Tel: 01656 643248            Email:  <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>

Date	Title of Report	Contact Officer
15 Mar	Pension Policies	Kelly Watson Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 Email: <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
15 Mar	Independent Remuneration Panel for Wales Annual Report	Kelly Watson Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 Email: <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
17 May	Proposed Programme of Ordinary meetings of the Council and Council Committees	Kelly Watson Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 Email: <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a>
17 May	Appointment to Council Committees and other Council Bodies	Kelly Watson Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and

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<b>17 May</b>	<b>Representation on Outside Bodies and other Committees</b>	<b>Kelly Watson</b> <b>Chief Officer, Legal and</b> <b>Regulatory Services, HR and</b> <b>Corporate Policy</b> <b>Tel: 01656 643248</b> <b>Email:</b> <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a>

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**OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME – 1 MARCH 2023 – 30 JUNE 2023**

Date	Title of Report	Scrutiny Committee	Contact Officer
2 Mar 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Workforce, Recruitment and Retention</li>   <li>- Corporate Plan Delivery Plan 2023-24</li>   <li>- Disabled Facilities Grant – Progress Report and Position Statement</li> </ul>	Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee	<p>Kelly Watson Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 Email: <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Mark Shephard Chief Executive Tel: 01656 643380 Email: <a href="mailto:Mark.Shephard@bridgend.gov.uk">Mark.Shephard@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p> <p>Carys Lord Chief Officer - Finance, Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>

13 Mar 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- New Framework for Evaluation, Improvement and Accountability to Support the Curriculum for Wales</li> <li>- Annual Local Authority Scrutiny Report Central South Consortium 2021-2022</li> </ul>	Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 1	<p>Lindsay Harvey Corporate Director – Education and Family Support Tel: 01656 642612 Email: <a href="mailto:Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk">Lindsay.harvey@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>
27 Mar 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Support for Young Carers and Adult Carers</li> <li>- Children’s Services Improvement Plan</li> </ul>	Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2	<p>Claire Marchant Corporate Director Social Services &amp; Wellbeing Tel: 01656 643248 Email: <a href="mailto:Claire.marchant@bridgend.gov.uk">Claire.marchant@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>
17 Apr 23	- Homelessness Strategy	Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 3	<p>Carys Lord Chief Officer - Finance, Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>
26 June 23 (Subject to Annual Council approval in May 2023)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Election of Chairperson report;</li> <li>- Revenue Budget Outturn 2022-23</li> <li>- Corporate Parenting Champion Nomination report;</li> <li>- Public Service Board Scrutiny Nomination report;</li> </ul>	Corporate Overview and Scrutiny Committee	<p>Kelly Watson Chief Officer, Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy Tel: 01656 643248 Email: <a href="mailto:Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk">Kelly.watson@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Q4 Performance Report 22-23</li> <li>- Corporate Plan Delivery Plan 2023-24</li><li>- Draft Self Assessment</li><li>- Regulatory Tracker</li></ul>	<p><b>Carys Lord</b> Chief Officer - Finance, Performance and Change Tel: 01656 643302 Email: <a href="mailto:Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk">Carys.Lord@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p> <p><b>Mark Shephard</b> Chief Executive Tel: 01656 643380 Email: <a href="mailto:Mark.Shephard@bridgend.gov.uk">Mark.Shephard@bridgend.gov.uk</a></p>
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