CABINET COMMITTEE EQUALITIES - WEDNESDAY, 20 MARCH 2024

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE CABINET COMMITTEE EQUALITIES HELD HYBRID IN COMMITTEE ROOMS 2&3 AND REMOTELY - VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS ON WEDNESDAY, 20 MARCH 2024 AT 09:30

Present

Councillor N Farr - Chairperson

A R Berrow HJ David J Gebbie JC Spanswick

E D Winstanley

Present Virtually

JPD Blundell M J Evans D M Hughes RL Penhale-Thomas

A Wathan AJ Williams

Apologies for Absence

R Goode, HM Williams and Claire Marchant

Officers:

Kirsty Williams Partnership & CSP Manager

Wendi Briggs VAWDASV Manager

Philip O'Brien Group Manager - Transformation, Customer Services & Partnerships

Zoe Edwards Consultation Engagement and Equalities Manager Michael Pitman Democratic Services Technical Support Officer Stephen Griffiths Democratic Services Officer - Committees

Oscar Roberts Democratic Services Business Administrative Apprentice

Declarations of Interest

Councillor RL Penhale-Thomas declared a personal interest in item 4, as he is employed full-time by an equalities charity.

Councillor J Spanswick declared a personal interest in item 4, as a family member works in the unit being discussed.

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39. Approval of Minutes

Decision Made	RESOLVED: That the minutes of a meeting of the Cabinet Committee Equalities dated 08/11/2023 be
	approved as a true and accurate record
Date Decision Made	20 March 2024

40. Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse And Sexual Violence

Decision Made	The Partnership and CSP Manager presented this report on the services provided by the Domestic Abuse service and information gleaned both from the in-house team and local partners, to ensure compliance with Welsh Government law and Cwm Taf Morgannwg aims. The report covered a range of topics relating to instances of gender-based violence, domestic abuse and sexual violence, prevention methods thereof and an analysis of services that deal with these issues. Members posed questions relating to: Work surrounding a referral with family and co-dependents Outcomes of action and a potential survey of results Co-ordination with colleagues around housing options Frequency of sickness in the service Ensuring male victims receive adequate support
	Work in liaising with South Wales Police and health professionals
	These questions were addressed by the Partnership and CSP Manager as well as the VAWDASV Manager, including agreements to send an email of sickness data to the Chairperson to distribute and to discuss potential improvements regarding male victims at the CTM regional group. A suggestion was also made to invite along members of South Wales Police and health colleagues to the next VAWDASV review.
	RESOLVED: The committee noted the content of the report, thanking the team for their tireless work and support to vulnerable members of the community.
Date Decision Made	20 March 2024

41. Urgent Items

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Decision Made	None.
Date Decision Made	20 March 2024

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The meeting closed at 10:57.