

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

**REPORT TO CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE**

10 JUNE 2014

**REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE –
LEGAL & REGULATORY SERVICES**

YOUTH SERVICE REVIEW

1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1 To inform the Committee of the review of the youth service and associated consultation.

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

- 2.1 The key improvement objectives identified in the Corporate Plan 2013-2017 have been embodied in the Overview & Scrutiny Forward Work Programmes. The amended Corporate Improvement Objectives adopted by Council on 3 April 2013 formally set out the improvement objectives that the Council will seek to implement between 2013 and 2017. The Overview and Scrutiny Committees engage in review and development of plans, policy or strategies that support the Corporate Themes.

3. Background.

- 3.1 Members will be aware through their consideration of the budget proposals for 2014-15 onwards that funding for Youth Services has been reduced. In light of this reduction, the authority is seeking to review its provision.
- 3.2 Prior to undertaking the review, the Youth Service intends to undertake a consultation process, the findings of which will inform the review.

4. Current Situation / proposal.

- 4.1 The officers' report is attached at Appendix A and sets out the current situation in terms of the planned consultation, the subsequent review and the need for provision to meet Welsh Government guidelines.
- 4.2 When considering the report, the Committee may wish to bear the following points in mind:

i. Who will be consulted and how?

- ii. What are the potential/ expected outcomes from the consultation?*
- iii. What evidence is there to suggest that there is capacity within communities to deliver youth services?*
- iv. Other than the consultation results, what other factors or sources of evidence will influence the review?*
- v. Who will conduct the review?*
- vi. What will be the impact on staff?*

5. Effect upon Policy Framework and Procedure Rules.

- 5.1 The work of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee relates to the review and development of plans, policy or strategy that form part of the Policy Framework and consideration of plans, policy or strategy relating to the power to promote or improve economic, social or environmental well being in the County Borough of Bridgend.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

- 6.1 The equality implications are outlined in the officer's report attached as Appendix A.

7. Financial Implications

- 7.1 The financial implications are outlined in the officer's report attached as Appendix A.

8. Recommendation

The Committee is asked to:

- i. Consider and discuss the information within the attached report;
- ii. Explore issues consistent with its challenge and support role;
- iii. determine whether it wishes to make any comments or recommendations relating to these reports.

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Background Documents:

None