

# BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

## REPORT TO CABINET

30 MAY 2017

### REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR OPERATIONAL & PARTNERSHIP SERVICES

#### CABINET, CABINET COMMITTEE CORPORATE PARENTING AND CABINET COMMITTEE EQUALITIES

##### **1. Purpose of Report .**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to:

- a. seek approval for the schedule of meetings of Cabinet, Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting and the Cabinet Committee Equalities for the period June 2017 – April 2018.
- b. propose Children's and Equalities Champions who will chair the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting and the Cabinet Committee Equalities.
- c. confirm the process for nomination of Champions from each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees to the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee.
- d. seek approval of the invitees to attend meetings of the Cabinet Committee Equalities as nominated by each of the political groups represented on Council.

##### **2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority.**

2.1 Effective arrangements for the Authority's decision making processes and the establishment of Committees and other bodies will fulfill the requirements of the Constitution and contribute to the achievement of the Corporate Themes and Priorities. The schedule of meetings will allow internal management planning for the production and presentation of reports and inform the general public of the future dates of meetings.

##### **3. Background.**

3.1 The proposed dates for Cabinet, Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee, Equalities Cabinet Committee and Joint Committee meetings have been reported to the Annual Meeting of Council on 17 May 2017 for noting in the schedule of meetings. This prevents meeting of Cabinet, Council or their Committees conflicting with each other.

#### 4. Current situation / proposal.

##### 4.1 Cabinet

4.1.1 Meetings of Cabinet proposed below, are planned to continue on a four weekly cycle with meetings commencing at 2.30pm.

4.1.2 The proposed schedule of Cabinet meetings for the period June 2017 – April 2018 is as follows:

2017	2018
27 June	30 January
25 July	13 February
5 September	27 March
3 October	24 April
31 October	
28 November	
19 December	

##### 4.2 Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting

4.2.1 The proposed Schedule of meeting dates for the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee is detailed below:

Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting
18 October 2017
24 January 2018
18 April 2018

4.2.2 It is proposed that the Cabinet Member for Social Services and Early Help be appointed as the Lead Member for Children and Young People and Children and Young People Champion. It is therefore appropriate that the portfolio holder be appointed as the Chairperson for the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting.

4.2.3 The Corporate Parenting - Cabinet Committee has previously established the principle of appointing one invitee from each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees as Corporate Parenting Champions together with the Chairperson of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee. A report will be presented to the first meetings of each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees seeking these appointments. A report will then be presented to a future meeting of Cabinet to advise of the Corporate Parenting Champions appointed by each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

##### 4.3 Equalities - Cabinet Committee

4.3.1 The proposed schedule of meeting dates for the Equalities Cabinet Committee is detailed below:-

Cabinet Committee Equalities
13 July 2017 23 November 2017 22 March 2018

4.3.2 The Cabinet Member Wellbeing and Future Generations (then known as the Cabinet Member Childrens Social Services and Equalities) was appointed by Cabinet at the meeting on 10 May 2016 as Lead Member for Equalities and it is appropriate that the portfolio holder continues to be the Equalities Champion and be appointed as the Chairperson for the Cabinet Committee Equalities.

4.3.3 Following discussion with the Group Leaders, the following nominations have been received to sit as invitees on the Cabinet Committee Equalities on the basis of 4 Labour Group Members, 2 Conservative Group Members, 2 Independent Alliance Group Members and 1 each from the Llynfi Independents and Plaid Cymru Groups:

**Cabinet Committee Equalities - 10 Invited Members**

	<b><u>Political Group</u></b>	<b><u>Councillors</u></b>
1	Labour	Councillor SE Baldwin
2	Labour	Councillor JE Lewis
3	Labour	Councillor J Gebbie
4	Labour	Councillor G Howells
5	Conservative	Councillor K Rowlands
6	Conservative	Councillor S Vidal
7	Independent Alliance	Councillor S Dendy
8	Independent Alliance	Councillor E Venables
9	Llynfi Independents	Councillor T Beedle
10	Plaid Cymru	Councillor JC Radcliffe

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

5.1 There will be no direct effect on the Policy Framework & Procedure Rules but, if approved, the report will provide a sound structure for Executive decision making, improve corporate planning within the Authority and provide greater accessibility and understanding for the residents of the County Borough.

**6. Equality Impact Assessment**

6.1 There are no negative equality implications arising from this report.

**7. Financial Implications.**

7.1 There are no financial implications regarding this report.

## **8. Recommendations.**

- 8.1 That Cabinet approves the schedule of meeting dates for Cabinet, Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting and the Cabinet Committee Equalities meetings for the period June 2017 – April 2018 as outlined in Paragraphs 4.1.2, 4.2.1 and 4.3.1 of the report.
- 8.2 That the Cabinet Member for Social Services and Early Help be appointed as Lead Member for Children and Young People, Children and Young People Champion and Chairperson of the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting.
- 8.3 That the process for determining the invitees for the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting as outlined in paragraph 4.2.3 be approved.
- 8.4 That the Cabinet Member Wellbeing and Future Generations be appointed as the Equalities Champion and as Chairperson of the Cabinet Committee Equalities.
- 8.5 That Cabinet approve nominations of the invitees to the Cabinet Committee Equalities on the basis of 4 Labour Group Members, 2 Conservative Group Members, 2 Independent Alliance Group Members and 1 each from the Llynfi Independents and Plaid Cymru Groups.

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