

**APPENDIX B WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS (WALES) ACT 2015 ASSESSMENT**

**Project Description (key aims):**

**Provision of Town Centre Public Conveniences (To achieve the financial savings identified in the Councils Medium Term Financial Strategy without unduly affecting the provision of toilets accessible to the public)**

<b>Section 1</b>	<b>Complete the table below to assess how well you have applied the 5 ways of working.</b>
<b>Long-term</b>	<p><b>1. How does your project / activity balance short-term need with the long-term and planning for the future?</b></p> <p>Where the service area is unable to directly support the provision of public toilets across the County Borough's three main town centres of Maesteg, Bridgend, and Porthcawl, it will work closely with Town and Community Councils to secure the transfer of public toilets under the Councils Community Asset Transfer (CAT) programme. Alternatively where Town and Community Councils wish to install new or alternative facilities to those currently provided by the Council, the Council will work closely with the Town and Community Council to support them in this aim.</p> <p>Where the transfer of a toilet under the Councils CAT programme is not an option the Council has reviewed its suitability for conversion to pay to use. However, it is recognised that this is not possible or cost effective in all cases. In such circumstances the report recommends closure of the public toilet with appropriate businesses being consulted to engage with the Councils Comfort Scheme as a means of providing access to toilet facilities in the town centre.</p> <p>This approach addresses the short term need to meet increasingly challenging budget cuts while securing for the medium to long term public toilet provision for residents and visitors to County Borough.</p>
<b>Prevention</b>	<p><b>2. How does your project / activity put resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse?</b></p> <p>This review makes a number of recommendations focused on maintaining the provision of publically accessible toilets in the town centres, while the traditional service model of the Council directly supporting public toilets may not be possible going forward the alternatives of Town Councils running and providing the service; pay to use and the comfort scheme all offer mitigation where the Council is unable to maintain, due to budget cuts, the current level of County Borough Council funded and operated public toilets.</p>

<b>Integration</b>	<p><b>3. How does your project / activity deliver economic, social, environmental, &amp; cultural outcomes together?</b></p> <p>The review of public conveniences recognises the economic, social, and environmental benefits attached to the provision of public conveniences. The recommendations brought forward will secure long term public access to good quality well maintained publically accessible toilets. While the nature of this provision and the body providing the service may change the public will continue to have access to public toilet facilities within the town centres covered by the review.</p>
<b>Collaboration</b>	<p><b>4. How does your project / activity involve working together with partners (internal and external) to deliver well-being objectives?</b></p> <p>The County Borough Council is working closely with its partners in particular Town and Community Councils to secure the continued provision of public toilets in the town centres through the Councils CAT programme. The Council will also work closely with businesses to ensure that where required the public have access to toilets through its comfort scheme. It has also undertaken a full and comprehensive public consultation which is attached to this Cabinet report. In all cases the recommendations brought forward in this report take into account the public's views and the views of Town Councils and other stakeholders.</p>
<b>Involvement</b>	<p><b>5. How does your project / activity involve stakeholders with an interest in achieving the well-being goals? How do those stakeholders reflect the diversity of the area?</b></p> <p>A full and comprehensive public consultation has been undertaken and is attached as an appendix to this report. The outcomes of this consultation are summarised in this report and the recommendations brought forward fully take into account the findings of the consultations, balanced against the needs to achieve budget savings.</p>

<b>Section 2</b>		
<b>Assess how well your project / activity will result in multiple benefits for our communities and contribute to the national well-being goals</b>		
<b>Description of the Well-being goals</b>	<b>How will your project / activity deliver benefits to our communities under the national well-being goals?</b>	<b>Is there any way to maximise the benefits or minimise any negative impacts to our communities (and the contribution to the national well-being goals)?</b>
<p><b>A prosperous Wales</b> An innovative, productive and low carbon society which recognises the limits of the global environment and therefore uses resources efficiently and proportionately (including acting on climate change); and which develops a skilled and well-educated population in an economy which generates wealth and provides employment opportunities, allowing people to take advantage of the wealth generated through securing decent work.</p>	<p>The continued provision of public toilets through the models described above, i.e. CAT transfer to Town and Community Councils, pay to use or the Councils comfort scheme, all secure the long term provision of public toilets in the County Boroughs largest commercial town centres.</p>	<p>Where provision of public toilets is via the Councils comfort scheme, advertising and sign posting will form an important part of the service provision. Signing at premises and sign posting in the town centre to business working with the Council to provide access to toilets will be installed as part of the proposal.</p>
<p><b>A resilient Wales</b> A nation which maintains and enhances a biodiverse natural environment with healthy functioning ecosystems that support social, economic, and ecological resilience and the capacity to adapt to change (for example climate change).</p>	<p>Continuing to ensure the public have access to toilets will secure social mobility for the elderly or those with disability.</p>	<p>Where the service is provided through the Councils comfort scheme, it will be necessary to ensure that the businesses being supported by a grant for the service have high quality facilities for the disabled to at least the current level of provision provided by the Council.</p>
<p><b>A healthier Wales</b></p>		

<p>A society in which people’s physical and mental well-being is maximised and in which choices and behaviours that benefit future health are understood.</p>	<p>The proposals outlined will maintain social mobility and access to services for vulnerable groups particularly the elderly and disabled who rely on public toilets, through the mechanisms details in the report</p>	<p>As detailed above</p>
<p><b>A more equal Wales</b> A society that enables people to fulfil their potential no matter what their background or circumstances (including their socio economic background and circumstances).</p>	<p>The proposals outlined will maintain social mobility and access to services for vulnerable groups particularly the elderly and disabled who rely on public toilets, through the mechanisms details in the report</p>	<p>As detailed above</p>
<p><b>A Wales of cohesive communities</b> Attractive, viable, safe, and well-connected communities.</p>	<p>The proposal brought forward continue to provide an equivalent level of service through the mechanism details in the report</p>	
<p><b>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language</b> A society that promotes and protects culture, heritage, and the Welsh language, and which encourages people to participate in the arts, and sports and recreation.</p>	<p>No impact</p>	
<p><b>A globally responsible Wales</b> A nation which, when doing anything to improve the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales, takes account of whether doing such a thing may make a positive contribution to global well-being.</p>	<p>No impact</p>	

<b>Section 3</b>		<b>Will your project / activity affect people or groups of people with protected characteristics? Explain what will be done to maximise any positive impacts or minimise any negative impacts</b>	
Protected characteristics	Will your project / activity have any positive impacts on those with a protected characteristic?	Will your project / activity have any negative impacts on those with a protected characteristic?	Is there any way to maximise any positive impacts or minimise any negative impacts?
Age:	See full EIA		
Disability	See full EIA		
Gender reassignment:	No	No	No impact on groups of Gender reassigned individuals have been identified.
Marriage or civil partnership:	No	No	No impact on these groups have been identified
Pregnancy or maternity:	See full EIA		
Religion or Belief:	No	No	No impact on groups due to religious belief have been identified
Race:	No	No	No impact on groups of different Race have been identified
Sex:	No	No	No impact on sexual orientation have been identified
Welsh Language:	No	No	No impact on Welsh Language

<b>Section 4</b>		<b>Identify decision meeting for Project/activity e.g. Cabinet, Council or delegated decision taken by Executive members and/or Chief Officers</b>
		Cabinet

<b>Compiling Officers Name:</b>	GP Jones
<b>Compiling Officers Job Title:</b>	Head of Democratic Services
<b>Date Completed:</b>	13 June 2017