

APPENDIX B

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

Project Description (key aims): Corporate Plan 2018-2022 reviewed for 2020-21	
Section 1 Complete the table below to assess how well you have applied the 5 ways of working.	
<p>Long-term</p> <p>(The importance of balancing short term needs with the need to safeguard the ability to also meet long term needs)</p>	<p>1. How does your project / activity balance short-term need with the long-term and planning for the future?</p> <p>Working with our partners and communities we will develop through co production new and innovative alternatives to improve well-being and to support and sustain delivery over the longer term. New service models will be less reliant on the Council and will reflect a positive shift in responsibility by empowering other organisations and local people.</p> <p>The plan also includes delivery of the first phase of the Local Area Energy Strategy (up to 2025), which aims to reduce the carbon footprint. The transition to decarbonisation is arguably the largest economic development opportunity for Bridgend County Borough over the next 30 years.</p> <p>There are commitments to improve learner outcomes for all children and young people which will reap substantial future benefits relating to health, equality and job creation.</p> <p>The Welsh government set an aspiration of 100,000 hectares of new woodland by 2030 to help Wales meet its carbon emission reduction targets. Bridgend Council sets out in the Corporate Plan its contribution to this ambition by collaborating with PSB partners on a tree planting project to increase the tree cover across the county borough. In addition to the long term benefits that fully matured trees provide to the environment, there are also many well-being benefits for individuals and communities.</p>
<p>Prevention</p> <p>(How acting to prevent problems occurring or getting worse may help public bodies meet their objectives)</p>	<p>2. How does your project / activity put resources into preventing problems occurring or getting worse?</p> <p>Our strategy for the next few years is to manage demand and introduce new ways of working in order to lessen dependency and enable people to maximise their independence. There is a commitment to extend the availability of a range of social care and support to 7 days, and to improve care and support in the home utilising multidisciplinary teams ensuring more timely and responsive assessments of need.</p>

	<p>There is a commitment to remove barriers that prevent people from participating in cultural and leisure activities. As well as being of great social value, these activities are effective early interventions which are more likely deliver better outcomes whilst also been cost effective.</p> <p>The corporate plan continues to prioritise targeted early help and support for children and families- taking steps where possible to provide timely and appropriate support to improve outcomes and prevent people becoming reliant on council services.</p> <p>The Council has increased its ambition for community asset transfer, which will give sports clubs and community organisations more security and sustainability enabling people to protect the assets in their communities. This process also involves people in designing and running the services from which they benefit.</p> <p>The Housing Act (2014) introduced the need to move to a preventative approach to homelessness and this is a core principle of the commitments in the Corporate Plan. The support activities to prevent homelessness are broad and diverse and include services for people suffering domestic abuse, substance misuse issues, learning disabilities, accommodation for young people and people with mental health support needs.</p>
<p>Integration</p> <p>(Considering how the public body's well-being objectives may impact upon each of the wellbeing goals, on their objectives, or on the objectives of other public bodies)</p>	<p>3. How does your project / activity deliver economic, social, environmental & cultural outcomes together?</p> <p>One of the aims of the corporate plan review was to identify key priority areas to provide the strategic focus to encourage and support integrated working towards shared outcomes- either within the council or with external partners.</p> <p>In the reviewed corporate plan, well-being objective two has a broader remit than in previous years, resulting in greater integration in the response to <i>Supporting people and communities to be more healthy and resilient</i> which now includes all four directorates, as well as the third sector, Registered Social Landlords and private landlords.</p> <p>Well-being objective 3, <i>Smarter use of resources</i> is now more strongly integrated with the PSB's well-being objectives, with the inclusion of commitments to enhance natural resources and biodiversity. This addition to the corporate plan has the added benefit of strengthening our contribution to the Resilient Wales national well-being goal, along with the inclusion of commitments on reducing our carbon footprint and waste recycling.</p>

<p>Collaboration</p> <p>(Acting in collaboration with any other person (or different parts of the body itself) that could help the body meet its well-being objectives)</p>	<p>4. How does your project / activity involve working together with partners (internal and external) to deliver well-being objectives?</p> <p>It follows that the increased level of integrated working within the corporate plan, has led to more collaboration to deliver our well-being objectives:</p> <p>Examples include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community asset transfer to enable sustainable management of community assets • Working with landlords to help return empty properties back into use • Joint working and contract arrangements with third sector organisations to deliver housing projects for people with complex needs. • Children’s social care working with early help and intervention services to provide timely effective support • Tree project with Natural Resources Wales and other PSB partners including the Cwm Taf Morannwg health board • Collaborating with Halo Leisure and the Awen Trust to transform our venues into next generation wellbeing hubs • On a regional foot print we are collaborating with other local authorities as part of the Cardiff Region City Deal, the Valleys Taskforce, and working as part of the Cwm Taf Morgannwg Regional Partnership Board that includes the Cwm Taf Morgannwg health board, and other partners, to deliver the Regional Transformation programme
<p>Involvement</p> <p>(The importance of involving people with an interest in achieving the well-being goals, and ensuring that those people reflect the diversity of the area which the body serves)</p>	<p>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?</p> <p>Consultation is carried using a mixed method approach to ensure and promote the widest range of participation to ensure the views of people living in Bridgend County Borough are considered as part of the evidence when identifying priorities.</p> <p>Beyond consulting with people, there are many aspects of the corporate plan that actively involve and seek the views of service users to help develop strategies (e.g. Homeless strategy) or help improve service design and process (e.g. the new CAT process). As part of our commitment to continue the safe reduction of children looked after we are developing a new Children’s Residential Hub over the next 12 months. The design of the hub includes the input from a young person currently using the service and as the project develops their input will continued to be used.</p>

Our commitment to remove the barriers that prevent people from accessing leisure services is supported by the Champions of Wales project which aims to increase the participation of girls and young women in physical activity. We invite participants to identify their own well-being needs and then develop the opportunities to help meet them. For older people, their involvement in the super-agers programme has improved the opportunities to be physically active and increased the level of engagement with the programme.

BCBC, supported by Cwm Taf Morgannwg health board is involving stakeholders in the development of wellbeing hubs in our leisure and cultural facilities.

Section 2 Assess how well your project / activity will result in multiple benefits for our communities and contribute to the national well-being goals (use Appendix 1 to help you).

Description of the Well-being goals	How will your project / activity deliver benefits to our communities under the national well-being goals?	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)?
<p>A prosperous Wales 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 corporate plan refreshed for 2020-21 will promote the conditions for growth and prosperity by focusing on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • regeneration projects to boost tourism and town centres, • skills and employability to upskill residents, • supporting business with direct support packages and enterprise hubs • utilising procurement to boost the foundational economy. <p>On a regional basis we continue to contribute to projects as part of the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal (eg the new Regional Energy Deal) to deliver investment to benefit the local economy.</p>	<p>Education is key for improving the life chances and resilience of future generations, so they can benefit from the economic opportunities available. The corporate plan is committed to improving the outcomes for all learners.</p> <p>The transition to decarbonisation not only supports the shift towards a low carbon society but is arguably the largest economic development opportunity for the county borough over the next 30 years. Our Smart Energy Plan identifies the projects and activities to support the transition agenda. The programme of work set out in the plan, when fully secured will, inject £35m into the decarbonisation.</p> <p>We are the lead authority for the Valleys Regional Park project. The aim is to unlock and maximise the potential of the natural and associated cultural heritage of the Valleys to generate social, economic and environmental benefits.</p>

<p>A resilient Wales 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>As part of our objective to <i>Make smarter use of resources</i> we want to retain fewer but better buildings that deliver cost efficiencies, reduce carbon footprint, and improve service delivery. The two programmes to drive this forward are the Corporate Landlord and School Modernisation programme.</p> <p><i>Making smarter use of resources</i> also contributes to a resilient Wales with commitments on our natural environment through biodiversity enhancement activities and a sustainable tree management programme. We are also committed to maximising waste recycling and reduction opportunities building on the councils performance as one of the highest recycling councils in Wales staying ahead of targets towards a Zero Waste Wales.</p>	<p>The benefits of our tree planting programme for communities will be amplified due to the collaborative working with PSB partners including Natural Resources Wales and Cwm Taf Morgannwg.</p> <p>The Valleys Regional Park programme has a strong emphasis on the involvement of local communities, recognising that the knowledge, skills and expertise of local people is critical to achieving good outcomes.</p>
<p>A healthier Wales 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 refreshed corporate plan for 2020-21, has strengthened its commitment to achieving a healthier Wales. Wellbeing objective 2 has been reworded as <i>Supporting people and communities to be more healthy and resilient</i>.</p> <p>There are commitments to remove the barriers that can prevent people from accessing leisure and cultural activities, and programmes such as the Valleys Regional Park will deliver health and well-being benefits by improving and enhancing our natural landscapes.</p>	<p>By directing resources and integrating services that offer early help and intervention programmes such as the new generation of well-being hubs.</p>

	<p>There are ambitious targets for Community Asset Transfers, a policy which will boost the opportunities for communities to be active by ensuring assets (such as sports clubs) remain open and available to residents.</p> <p>The refreshed plan has commitments to increase the resilience and independence of people and families, by helping them achieve their own well-being outcomes through targeted early intervention and support.</p>	
<p>A more equal Wales 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>Ensuring the benefits of the corporate plan are equally realised for all people living in the county borough, the corporate plan has commitments to remove barriers and improve accessibility so that more people can access the well-being benefits of our services.</p>	<p>Involving our key target groups, ensures we can offer services designed to meet need, which improves our chance of success. Examples include our Champions of Wales project and Super Agers programme, which have both seen an increase in participation among our target groups (girls and older people respectively).</p>
<p>A Wales of cohesive communities Attractive, viable, safe and well-connected communities.</p>	<p>The refreshed corporate plan has commitments to support communities and people to create their own solutions and reduce dependency on the Council. In addition to making services more sustainable for the future, these commitments have the potential to improve the cohesiveness of communities.</p> <p>Buildings and the physical environment can improve the vibrancy of where people live and work. The corporate plan has</p>	<p>.</p>

	<p>commitments to regenerate town centres (e.g Maesteg Town hall) and to work with private landlords to reduce the number of empty properties.</p> <p>There are also commitments to improve the natural environment – so that people and communities can access the well-being benefits of green and blue spaces.</p>	
<p>A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language 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>The Welsh language has a stronger presence in the refreshed corporate plan. Under well-being objective 1 we now have a commitment to promote Welsh medium education and increase the number of Welsh speakers.</p> <p>Culture also has a more explicit reference in the plan, and is recognised as equal to leisure services when improving well-being.</p>	<p>Compliance with the Welsh Language act is imbedded in Council policies and procedures.</p>
<p>A globally responsible Wales 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>The refreshed corporate plan is more strongly aligned to the global calls for greater action to tackle climate change. There are commitments to reduce our carbon footprint and actions to support the transition to decarbonisation. We have commitments to increase opportunities to reuse and recycle, and commitments to improve our natural resources and the resilience of our biodiversity.</p>	

Section 3 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

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:	Unknown - The impact, positive or negative, will depend on the nature of the service delivered	Unknown - The impact, positive or negative, will depend on the nature of the service delivered	This will vary according to the service provided.
Gender reassignment:	As above	As above	As above
Marriage or civil partnership:	As above	As above	As above
Pregnancy or maternity:	As above	As above	As above
Race:	As above	As above	As above
Religion or Belief:	As above	As above	As above
Race:	As above	As above	As above
Sex:	As above	As above	As above
Welsh Language:	As above	As above	As above

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

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