

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

INFORMATION REPORT TO COUNCIL

20 JULY 2022

REPORT OF THE CHIEF OFFICER - LEGAL AND REGULATORY SERVICES, HR AND CORPORATE POLICY

URGENT DELEGATED DECISIONS

1. Purpose of report

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to report to Council delegated decisions executed as a matter of urgency under Scheme A 1.1 and Scheme B1 2.1 of the Scheme of Delegation of Functions.

2. Connection to corporate well-being objectives / other corporate priorities

- 2.1 This report assists in the achievement of the following corporate well-being objectives under the **Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015**:-
1. **Supporting a successful sustainable economy** – taking steps to make the county borough a great place to do business, for people to live, work, study and visit, and to ensure that our schools are focussed on raising the skills, qualifications and ambitions for all people in the county borough.
 2. **Helping people and communities to be more healthy and resilient** - taking steps to reduce or prevent people from becoming vulnerable or dependent on the Council and its services. Supporting individuals and communities to build resilience, and enable them to develop solutions to have active, healthy and independent lives.
 3. **Smarter use of resources** – ensure that all resources (financial, physical, ecological, human and technological) are used as effectively and efficiently as possible and support the creation of resources throughout the community that can help to deliver the Council's well-being objectives.

3. Background

- 3.1 Decisions taken as a matter of urgency must be reported to Council in accordance with Paragraph 19 of the Overview & Scrutiny Procedure Rules which are to be found at Part 4 of the Constitution.

4. Current situation/proposal

- 4.1 The urgent decisions taken and therefore by-passing the call-in procedure (as set out in paragraph 18 of Part 4 Rules of Procedure within the Constitution), are summarised below:-

Scheme A 1.1

WEL-CSC-22-060 - To approve the suspension of Contract Procedure Rules in respect of the requirement to competitively procure service provision and to enter into contractual arrangements with licensed Signs of Safety consultants and trainers for up to a 5-year period in urgent response to the critical incident being experienced within Children's Social Care

Scheme B1 2.1

CE-LEG-22-181 - To authorise additional expenditure from within the Capital Programme for the Cosy Corner Porthcawl scheme.

CE-FIN-22-003 - To transfer the Welsh Government's Household Support Fund allocation of £22,907.00 (revenue) to the Bridgend Foodbank, in line with guidance from Welsh Local Government Association, to be used to support the network of foodbanks across Bridgend County Borough.

5. Effect upon policy framework and procedure rules

5.1 This report has no effect on the Council's policy framework and procedure rules.

6. Equality Act 2010 implications

6.1 The protected characteristics identified within the Equality Act, Socio-economic Duty and the impact on the use of the Welsh Language have been considered in the preparation of this report. As a public body in Wales the Council must consider the impact of strategic decisions, such as the development or the review of policies, strategies, services and functions. This is an information report, therefore it is not necessary to carry out an Equality Impact assessment in the production of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable equality impacts as a result of this report.

7. Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 implications

7.1 The well-being goals identified in the Act were considered in the preparation of this report. It is considered that there will be no significant or unacceptable impacts upon the achievement of well-being goals/objectives as a result of this report.

8. Financial implications

8.1 There are no financial implications relating to the report.

9. Recommendation

9.1 It is recommended that Council notes the report.

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Background documents: The Council's Scheme of Delegation (of Functions)