

Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2

RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING ACTION SHEET

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11 July 2022	Corporate Parenting Champion Nomination	Councillor Alan Wathan was nominated to represent Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 2 as an invitee to meetings of the Cabinet Committee Corporate Parenting.	Scrutiny / Chief Officer – Legal and Regulatory Services, HR and Corporate Policy	ACTIONED – Membership of Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee updated and formally reported to Cabinet 19 July 2022.
11 July 2022	Nomination to the Public Service Board Scrutiny Panel	Councillor Paula Ford was nominated to sit on the Public Service Board Scrutiny Panel.	Scrutiny	ACTIONED – Membership of Public Service Board Scrutiny Panel updated and initial Briefing session arrangements underway.
11 July 2022	Forward Work Programme Update	The Chairperson proposed that a glossary of acronyms would assist Members.	Scrutiny	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members.
3 November 2022	Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW)	The Committee proposed That the Chair of the Subject Overview and	Scrutiny / Chair of SOSC 2	ONGOING

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	Performance Evaluation Report Of Childrens Social Care Services 23 - 27 May 2022	Scrutiny Committee 2 liaise with the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Early Help to identify: a) What Members can do to support the Council's promotion of recruitment into Bridgend Social Services; and b) What support the Committee can provide to the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Early Help in her discussions with Welsh Local Government Association regarding employment terms and conditions and pay.		
3 November 2022	Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) Performance Evaluation Report Of Childrens Social Care Services 23 - 27 May 2022	The Committee requested a briefing note setting out the process of calls made to the Information, Advice and Assistance (IAA) Service to include detail as to how or if these are being recorded and the	Scrutiny / Corporate Director -Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 8 February 2023.

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		responsibility of schools when making safeguarding referrals.		
3 November 2022	Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) Performance Evaluation Report Of Childrens Social Care Services 23 - 27 May 2022	The Committee requested Detail of Social Worker current caseloads including the highest caseload attributed to any one Social Worker.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director -Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 8 February 2023.
3 November 2022	Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) Performance Evaluation Report Of Childrens Social Care Services 23 - 27 May 2022	The Committee requested how many Direct Payments have been applied for in the past 12 months and how many were made.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director -Social Services and Wellbeing	Recommendations circulated requesting response - to be provided. Information being collated.
3 November 2022	Care Inspectorate Wales (CIW) Performance Evaluation Report Of Childrens Social Care Services 23 - 27 May 2022	The Committee requested the current waiting list for children awaiting help from the Youth Emotional Mental Health Team.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director -Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 8 February 2023.
3 November 2022	Call in of Cabinet Decision: Porthcawl	The Committee concluded that the Decision would not be	Scrutiny/Chair of Committee	ACTIONED - Recommendation formally reported to Cabinet 17

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	Waterfront Regeneration: Appropriation of Land at Griffin Park and Sandy Bay	referred back to Cabinet but made the following Recommendation to Cabinet: a) That having regard to concerns expressed to Members by Porthcawl residents, views shared by public speakers and questions from Members, that Cabinet be requested that going forward for the next stages in the process that they involve Porthcawl Town Council, all stakeholders and the public in further consultation and engagement.		January 2023 for consideration and response formally reported to SOSC 2 10 July 2023.
8 December 2022	Update on the Care Inspectorate Wales Inspections of Bridgend County Borough Council's Regulated Services in Adult Social Care for 2022	The Committee requested that priority be given to rolling out Member Development Training in the New Year and work to pair up Members be expedited to allow Rota visits to children and adult residential provisions to recommence as soon as possible.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing / Head of Adult Social Care	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	The Committee welcomed the up-to-date information presented in the Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults and indicated their preference that future	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.

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		presentations of this report similarly cover the period October to September rather than April to March (financial year)		
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	The Committee requested a list of Warm Hubs where Members can refer those in need.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 22 December 2022.
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	The Committee requested whether the weather stations positioned around the County could be used to deploy other services, particularly including services to assist the homeless.	Scrutiny / Chief Officer for Finance, Performance and Change	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 10 February 2023.
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	The Committee requested An update on the rollout of the Welsh Government funding to support Warm Hubs.	Scrutiny / Chief Officer for Finance, Performance and Change	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 10 February 2023.
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	<p>The Committee requested, In relation to the Deprivation of Liberty Safeguards:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. How many standard referrals were received and how many were authorised; b. How many urgent referrals were received and how many were authorised: 	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 8 February 2023.

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		c. How many referrals were withdrawn and the reasons why.		
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	The Committee requested a link to the website setting out the purpose of the Regional Safeguarding Board and its policies and procedures.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 8 February 2023.
8 December 2022	Annual Report – Safeguarding of Children and Adults	The Committee requested confirmation that a reminder of how to report safeguarding concerns has been circulated to staff and Members.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.
20 January 2023	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2023-24 to 2026-27	The Committee recognised the physical and emotional demand on social care workers and recommended that Cabinet review the wages for social care workers, in light of external pressures and consider how to ensure that these staff feel appropriately supported and valued.	Scrutiny / Chair of COSC	ACTIONED - Recommendation formally reported to Cabinet 7 February 2023 for consideration and response to be provided to COSC.
20 January 2023	Medium Term Financial Strategy 2023-24 to 2026-27	The Committee noted that the majority of the budget pressures were within the Social Services and Wellbeing Directorate and, following detailed consideration and discussions with Officers and Cabinet Members, the Committee	Scrutiny / Chair of COSC	ACTIONED - Recommendation formally reported to Cabinet 7 February 2023 for consideration and response to be provided to COSC.

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		were content that they are sufficient and necessary.		
16 February 2023	Adult Social Care Pressures	The Committee recommended that consideration be given to whether there is adequate promotion/awareness of the benefits available to support care staff with their fuel or other travel expenses incurred during their shifts and the recent funding obtained to support staff who wish to take driving lessons.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 17 May 2023.
16 February 2023	Adult Social Care Pressures	Having heard that exit interviews routinely take place in Children's Social Care, the Committee recommended that consideration be given to how this can also take place in Adult Social Care, as soon as possible, in order to capture the data and reasons why staff and social workers in particular, are leaving the local authority.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 17 May 2023.
16 February 2023	Adult Social Care Pressures	Having heard that the Health Board had been recruiting staff into domiciliary care under the more favourable NHS Terms and Conditions, and those staff then worked for the local authority under a Section 33 arrangement,	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 17 May 2023.

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		the Committee recommended that consideration be given to how there could be a rebalancing of staff terms and conditions in order that being employed directly by the Local Authority is equitable		
16 February 2023	Adult Social Care Pressures	The Committee requested a copy of the response to the Cabinet's letter to the Welsh Government Minister regarding the cost and funding arrangements for care staff in Parc Prison, when received.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 21 March 2023.
16 February 2023	Adult Social Care Pressures	The Committee requested the number of occasions a BLACK level/Business Continuity Stage has been called in the Princess of Wales Hospital in the last 3, 6 and 12 months.	Scrutiny / Deputy Director of Planning and Partnerships - Cwm Taf Morgannwg	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 17 March 2023.
16 February 2023	Development of Learning Disabilities Services	The Committee recommended that consideration be given to how staff lateness and short notice of staff sickness can be managed to avoid delaying or postponing a day out that Service Users described as having a disruptive and unsettling impact upon them.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 17 May 2023.

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16 February 2023	The Development of Learning Disability Services	The Committee expressed concern about the impact that the WG Policy modal shift from use of cars to public transport could have, by disenfranchising people with learning disabilities and neurodiverse conditions, who can face fear and distress when accessing and using public transport, and recommended that the Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Social Services and Wellbeing write to the Welsh Government to highlight this as a potential area of concern	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED - response and information circulated to Members on 17 May 2023.
27 March 2023	Support for Young Carers and Adult Carers	An overview of the support available to young carers in school and college and the support available to allow them to continue with their education alongside caring.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	Recommendations circulated requesting response - to be provided. Information being collated.
27 March 2023	Support for Young Carers and Adult Carers	The DigiStory and case study referred to by Halo Leisure, which describes some of the challenges and experiences of unpaid carers	Scrutiny / Active Communities Manager, Halo Leisure	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.
27 March 2023	Support for Young Carers and Adult Carers	A breakdown (represented in numbers rather than percentages) of the actions taken/results of the 362 contacts	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.

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		made to adult social care services on behalf of carers in 2021-22.	Services and Wellbeing	
27 March 2023	Support for Young Carers and Adult Carers	Of the 96 young carers assessments conducted since April 2022, a breakdown demonstrating how many were assessments of new carers and how many of the cases were already known to the service.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	Recommendations circulated requesting response - to be provided. Information being collated.
27 March 2023	Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check Visit to Children's Social Care Services 21-24 November 2022	Concern was expressed regarding the sustainability of the budget to support the budget pressures in the Social Services Directorate and the Committee recommended that the budget setting process be started at an earlier stage to enable cross party input to assist Cabinet in what could be a potentially challenging Medium Term Financial Strategy.	Scrutiny / Chief Officer – Finance, Performance and Change	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.
27 March 2023	Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check Visit to Children's Social Care Services 21-24 November 2022	That advice be issued to all Directorates regarding a standardisation of the BRAG Status' used in Reports and Action Plans to ensure a consistent approach and meaning.	Scrutiny / Chief Officer – Finance, Performance and Change	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.

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27 March 2023	Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check Visit to Children's Social Care Services 21-24 November 2022	In relation to the 32% increase in contacts/referrals during the period of April to August 2022, the number of contacts to which it refers.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	Recommendations circulated requesting response - to be provided. Information being collated.
27 March 2023	Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check Visit to Children's Social Care Services 21-24 November 2022	A copy of the Exploitation Screening Tool being trialled in the Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub, a copy of the presentation that was provided to headteachers regarding exploitation and any update from the Cwm Taf Task and Finish Group relating to best practice in the approach to exploitation.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	Recommendations circulated requesting response - to be provided. Information being collated.
27 March 2023	Care Inspectorate Wales Improvement Check Visit to Children's Social Care Services 21-24 November 2022	A summary of the recommendations and the short-term mechanisms which were initiated following the rapid review of supervised contact.	Scrutiny / Corporate Director of Social Services and Wellbeing	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 4 July 2023.