

Subject Overview and Scrutiny Committee 3

RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING ACTION SHEET 2023-2024

Date of Meeting	Agenda Item	Action	Responsibility	Outcome	Response
26 March 2024	Call-In of Cabinet Decision: Proposed Use of Land Transaction Transfer Protocol with Cardiff Capital Region for Land at Brynmenyn and Bryncethin	The Committee concluded that the Decision would not be referred back to Cabinet for reconsideration but made the following Recommendations to Cabinet, to be reported to a future Cabinet meeting: Recommendations: 1. That Cabinet consider receiving a further report at the appropriate time on further information including the length of the lease and the terms of the value of the lease. 2. That Cabinet note the concerns raised in the Committee as contained in the Notice of Call-In and take them into account during any further deliberation.	Cabinet	The Recommendations have been reported to the meeting of Cabinet on Tuesday, 16 April 2024 requesting Cabinet to consider them and provide a written response to the Committee.	Response being reported to SOSC 3 meeting on 16 July 2024
22 April 2024	Caerau Heat Scheme	Having discussed the Caerau Heat Scheme report, Members felt there was an opportunity to strengthen the processes for management of future Research and Development projects. The	Corporate Director of Communities	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 8 July 2024.	https://democratic.bridgend.gov.uk/ecSD/DisplayClassic.aspx?NAME=SD952&ID=9

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		<p>Committee recommended that some research be undertaken of best practice processes for the management of Research and Development projects, including the management of finances and gateway protocols, to incorporate and strengthen the processes for any future projects of this type.</p>			<p>52&RPID=13261506&sch=doc&cat=13501&path=13490%2c13494%2c13501&LLL=0&LLL=0</p>
<p>22 April 2024</p>	<p>Caerau Heat Scheme</p>	<p>Members felt it was important to keep moving forward, and while understanding that not all demonstrator projects would be successful, from the public’s perspective the Authority had to be responsible with the funding provided, so it was imperative to build on lessons that had been learned, where money is spent and explore where things could be done differently. Members acknowledged the toolkit created by the Authority following the Caerau Heat Scheme project and the lessons learned to share with others. The Committee recommended “that due consideration should be given to the financial risks, constraints and pressures for each and every similar type of project”, be added to the lessons learned.</p>	<p>Corporate Director of Communities</p>	<p>ACTIONED – response and information circulated 8 July 2024.</p>	<p>https://democratic.bridgend.gov.uk/ecSD/DisplayClassic.aspx?NAME=SD952&ID=952&RPID=13261506&sch=doc&cat=13501&path=13490%2c13494%2c13501&LLL=0&LLL=0</p>

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22 April 2024	Caerau Heat Scheme	Members discussed the financial implications, what the final cost of the scheme had been spent on over the lift of the project and requested the break down/summary on the funding spent on the project, that the Corporate Director of Communities had advised could be shared with Members.	Corporate Director of Communities	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided. Information to be shared with Committee. Chased – 22 August 2024	
16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	The public consultation to inform the strategy asked respondents to rate a list of elements within the Valleys area(s) from excellent to very poor, respondents were also given the opportunity to provide comments on other elements in the area, and the comments received were collated by theme in a table in the report. Members discussed various elements and the funding that would be needed to progress them in the future and going forward the Committee recommended that when looking at the Corporate Plan the elements identified to inform the Strategy be filtered into that process, and that their funding is considered when looking at the budget process.	Corporate Director of Communities / Group Manager, Strategic Regeneration	ACTIONED: Response and information circulated 24 September 2024.	

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16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	Members expressed concern regarding managing expectations and the need to be mindful of not creating false hope within the Valleys, and balancing that with what the Council was able to deliver. Officers agreed it was a challenge, to manage what the Council could deliver on work on the strategy and elements that could be delivered in the Valleys. The Committee recommended that the draft strategy be reported to SOSC 3 for pre-decision scrutiny before it is reported to Cabinet later in the municipal year and that local members who do not sit on the Committee be invited to the meeting for that report.	Corporate Director of Communities / Group Manager, Strategic Regeneration / Scrutiny	ACTIONED: Response and information circulated 24 September 2024.	
16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	The Committee reflected that the report received was the basic framework of what was to come and felt they had the opportunity to shape the Valley Regeneration Strategy going forward. The Committee recommended that the draft strategy should be meaningful and deliverable, taking into consideration that although it was one strategy there were three distinct valleys and the identities of each should be maintained and reflecting on experiences from other Regeneration strategies it was important going forward with the Valleys Regeneration Strategy to	Corporate Director of Communities / Group Manager, Strategic Regeneration	ACTIONED: Response and information circulated 24 September 2024.	

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		<p>establish a simple road map that could be articulated, under which smaller improvements could be recognised and achieved, maintaining a little and often approach, balancing managing residents' expectations with delivering what is proposed in the Strategy.</p>			
16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	<p>Members discussed the role of the Consultants and the depth of questioning included in the consultation to inform the Strategy and the Committee recommended that consideration be given in future to whether information and data could be gathered in house, or by someone brought in to gather and maintain data/information, to enable if and when consultants are used the data to be looked at and insights drawn to help get a corporate understanding of the areas and better establish a baseline , as well as potentially getting better value for money from any use of consultants.</p>	Corporate Director of Communities / Group Manager, Strategic Regeneration	<p>ACTIONED: Response and information circulated 24 September 2024.</p>	
16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	<p>The Committee recommended that the draft strategy should include graphics for the areas which Local Members could share in their Valleys communities which could assist with raising awareness of the draft strategy and could potentially</p>	Corporate Director of Communities / Group Manager, Strategic Regeneration	<p>ACTIONED: Response and information circulated 24 September 2024.</p>	

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		increase the number of consultation responses.			
16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	Information regarding the Bus Network Grant (BNG), how the Grant was received, how the additional money was had been spent and how it was allocated. Officers advised in the meeting they would speak to the Public Transport Officer to gain the information for circulation to Members of the Committee.	Corporate Director Communities	ACTIONED: Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	
16 July 2024	Valleys Regeneration Strategy	The Consultants used and the cost of the work. Officers advised in the meeting that they could provide this information for circulation to members of the Committee from the tender assessment.	Corporate Director of Communities / Group Manager, Strategic Regeneration	ACTIONED: Response and information circulated 24 September 2024.	