

Name of Audit / regulator	Recommendation / proposal for improvement	Responsible Officer	Delivery Date	Action Update Q3 2024-25	BRAYG Q3 24-25
Audit Wales, Review of Decision-Making Arrangements (Oct 2024)	R2 – The Council should ensure that its scheme of delegation is updated, to mitigate the risk of decisions being taken without the proper authority.	Kelly Watson	Oct-24	The scheme is reviewed and updated regularly. Changes were made to reflect changes to Cabinet portfolios and reported to Cabinet on 24th September 2024 for approval. The updated scheme has been published.	BLUE
	R5 – The Council should ensure that Members receive, and are encouraged to access, a relevant training programme to ensure they are well equipped to understand and undertake their role. This should include focussed training for specific roles, e.g. chairing skills.	Kelly Watson	Dec-24	The Council has an Elected Member Learning and Development Strategy, and the Democratic Services Committee receive regular reports on training. Members will continue to be canvassed on training requirements and where appropriate these will be incorporated into the training programme to ensure it remains relevant. Standards Committee will monitor training completion and where appropriate will link in with Group Leaders to promote completion. Training has started to be delivered as per R3 above and further sessions are scheduled.	BLUE
CIW Inspection Report on Foster Wales Bridgend (Jan 2024)	R14 The current recording systems do not support effective oversight and smooth operation of the service. Some key information, including the DBS checks for foster carers support networks are not monitored effectively.	Group Manager Placement and Provider Services	Sep-24	Closed. Regular meetings in place to develop oversight. Business support arrangements in place to review DBS checks. Ongoing monitoring being provided by Group Manager Provider Services.	BLUE
Audit Wales, Use of Service User Perspective and Outcomes (Jan 2024)	R3 Quality and accuracy of data • The Council needs to assure itself that it has robust arrangements to check the quality and accuracy of the service user perspective and outcomes data it provides to senior leaders.	Alex Rawlin	Sep-24	The Performance Team have worked with Directorate Performance Champions and collating officers to improve data validation and sign-off processes, the quality of supporting evidence provided, and are routinely testing performance data to ensure accuracy. PI audits will continue over the summer.	BLUE
Transformational Leadership Programme Board – Baseline governance Review – Cwm Taf Morgannwg Regional Partnership Board (Aug 2022)	R5 Regional Commissioning Unit Our work found that the lack of capacity within the RCU was leading to some delays in progressing actions. The work of the RCU is crucial to the continuing success of the TPLB. The TPLB needs to consider how it can build capacity and maximise resources to support the TPLB and minimise overreliance on a small team.	Head of Regional Commissioning Unit	2023-24	Action complete. Final post to be filled Feb 2025 (LD programme Manager)	BLUE
Audit Wales, Review of Arrangements to Become a 'Digital Council' (June 2021)	P3 - The Council should consider improving communication with staff / members to evoke the culture necessary to change	Martin Morgans	Dec-23	The findings from the pilot outlined that the methodology to access was challenging due to variations of devices owned by participants i.e. varying types and ages. It had a significant impact with the deployment which led to inconsistencies and some participants could not install the necessary secure access (authentication application). Therefore, the pilot has been ceased. Currently reviewing an alternative methodology which we hope to pilot in June following updates to a supplier application which is outlined on their development programme once this is confirmed we will initiate a new pilot.	BLUE