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**Communities, Environment and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee
RECOMMENDATIONS MONITORING ACTION SHEET 2025-2026**

Date of Meeting	Agenda Item	Action	Responsibility	Outcome	Response
14 July 2025	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Update	The Committee discussed the previously proposed significant increase in charges for the use of Council-owned pitches and sporting facilities and recommended that Cabinet consider whether the policy is still accurate and fit for purpose in the current financial climate and that the Deep Dive Group for the Communities Directorate explore the charging policy.	Scrutiny/ Chair	Reported to Cabinet on 21 October 2025	Link to Cabinet report .
14 July 2025	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Update	The Committee recommended that local Members and Town and Community Councils be advised of CATs that are initiated in their Ward to enable engagement and support.	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services/ Community Asset Transfer Officer	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 3 November 2025.	Follow link here .
14 July 2025	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Update	The Committee discussed the reasons, including financial considerations, that clubs and community groups opt into the CAT process or not, including that the CAT route enables external funding bids to be made by clubs and community groups and requested a	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services/ Community Asset Transfer Officer	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 3 November 2025.	Follow link here .

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		list of external funding available to such organisations.			
14 July 2025	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Update	The Committee requested that, in the interests of transparency, minutes of meetings of the CAT Steering Group be circulated to Members of the Committee.	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 3 November 2025.	Follow link here .
14 July 2025	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Update	The Committee requested that they be advised when Cabinet are due to consider a report on the future of major parks in the County Borough	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 3 November 2025.	Follow link here .
14 July 2025	Community Asset Transfer (CAT) Update	The Committee requested a written update regarding the current lease and financial status and condition of the two pavilions at Newbridge Fields.	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services/ Community Asset Transfer Officer	ACTIONED – response and information circulated 3 November 2025.	Follow link here .
29 Sep 2025	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	Members discussed the Council's approach set out in the Local Investment Plan, to the United Kingdom Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF), which had emphasised three themes - Communities and Place, Supporting Local Business, and	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services/ Group Manager –	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	

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		<p>People and Skills. Whilst the Committee acknowledged that a lot of different projects across the County Borough had been funded, it was also expressed that the approach lacked a guiding thread, a clear and transparent account of how projects had been prioritised, and how the success and value of them were being measured. The Committee therefore recommended that the approach to future UKSPF successor funding projects should proactively and clearly set out the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. The guiding strategic aims.b. Establish what the project is about and what it should deliver.c. The agreed objectives, targets and outputs.d. The criteria for awarding grants.e. The measures of success and value to be monitored.f. The approach to contingency planning.	Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability		
29 Sep 2025	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	The Committee requested that a final UKSPF monitoring report, including a complete analysis of the successes	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of	Recommendations circulated	

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		<p>and the lessons learned for future projects for consideration by the Committee as soon as feasible and to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a. details of how the public, businesses and community organisations were informed and supported to make full use of available funding, including how the Bridgend County Prosperity Co-Production Framework had informed decision-making about the UKSPF.b. detailed information regarding the feasibility studies funded by the UKSPF and how many have or will become viable projects.c. detailed evaluation of the sustainability of jobs created across the three themes as a result of UKSPF funding, to include the monitoring processes and the support offered by BCBC; andd. detailed information about the impact the cut in funding during the transition year had on projects in the community.	Operations - Community Services/ Group Manager – Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability	requesting response – to be provided.	

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29 Sep 2025	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	The Committee noted that there was a lack of clarity about what the successor to UKSPF would be like and how it would work and requested that once known, Members receive information about it, including details of the proposals to engage with communities through the Council's partnership structures about the criteria for applying for funding.	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services/ Group Manager – Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	
29 Sep 2025	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	The Committee requested more information about the assistance that could be provided to organisations to apply for alternative sources of funding, once UKSPF funding comes to an end.	Corporate Director – Communities/ Interim Head of Operations - Community Services/ Group Manager – Economy, Natural Resources & Sustainability	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	
29 Sep 2025	UK Shared Prosperity Fund	The Committee requested that previous reports about the UKSPF considered by scrutiny committees be distributed to Members.	Scrutiny	Complete	Links to reports: 26 Sep 2022 and 19 June 2023 .
29 Sep 2025	Social Housing Allocation Policy	The Committee expressed concern that there were approximately 3300 people on the housing register and	Chief Officer – Finance, Housing and Change/	Recommendations circulated	

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		<p>there was an urgent need to address the fundamental mismatch between the demand for and the supply of available housing, particularly social housing, in the County Borough. The Committee therefore recommended that:</p> <p>a. The Communities ‘deep dive’, consider potential ideas to address the shortfall in the supply of housing, and;</p> <p>b. That the Strategy and Action Plans be updated setting out the steps being taken to urgently address this position.</p>	Strategic Housing Commissioning Manager	requesting response – to be provided.	
29 Sep 2025	Social Housing Allocation Policy	The Committee requested that an All-Member Briefing session be provided regarding the revised Social Housing Allocation Policy and how it will change, especially in respect of the bandings and how properties will be allocated.	Chief Officer – Finance, Housing and Change/ Strategic Housing Commissioning Manager	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	
29 Sep 2025	Social Housing Allocation Policy	The Committee requested additional information regarding the impact of the Welsh Government’s Nation of	Chief Officer – Finance, Housing and Change/ Strategic Housing	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	

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		Sanctuary Plan on the draft Social Housing Allocation Policy.	Commissioning Manager		
29 Sep 2025	Social Housing Allocation Policy	The Committee requested additional information about both the statutory and non-statutory review processes, including the number, the outcomes, and the steps taken to ensure fairness and the consistent application of policy.	Chief Officer – Finance, Housing and Change/ Strategic Housing Commissioning Manager	Recommendations circulated requesting response – to be provided.	
3 Oct 2025	Call-in of Cabinet decision: Bridgend Town Centre Access	Following its examination of the decision and detailed discussions with the Cabinet Members and Officers invited, the Committee decided to recommend that the decision be referred back to Cabinet for reconsideration for the reasons agreed.	Scrutiny / Chair	Reported to Cabinet on 21 October 2025	Link to report .
3 Nov 2025	Net Zero Strategy and Electric Vehicle Charging Strategy	Various – drafted / to be circulated	Senior Democratic Services Officer - Scrutiny		