

Meeting of the Communities, Environment and Housing Overview and Scrutiny Committee

13 July 2026

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Bridgend Town Centre Masterplan Update			
Recommendation			
1	The Committee expressed concern regarding the limited availability of town centre parking for workers, shoppers and visitors and that this was likely to be exacerbated by the opening of the Sunnyside Wellness Village and the new Bridgend College and recommended that consideration be given to the availability of parking during the review of the Masterplan.	This is taken on board and transport planners are appointed as part of the Masterplan Review team	Noted.
Additional Information Requested			
2	The Committee requested further details regarding the Brackla Street Gardens Project including what the project entails, how and by who each element would be delivered and the funding required.	This will be provided under separate cover, as soon as the design process is completed which is currently underway. It will be financed by the Town Centre allocation from the Pride in Place programme.	

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Bridgend County Borough Council Net Zero Strategy			
Recommendation			
3	The Committee welcomed the change of terminology and focus from Net Zero to Decarbonisation, discussed the need for more efficient heating systems, better vehicle propulsion systems, and lower energy costs for schools and recommended that whilst continuing to monitor current arrangements, consideration be given to more focus being placed on seeking out alternative established technologies and those that the Authority could invest in and develop.	Officers will continue to investigate the use of alternative technologies as part of the Councils decarbonisation journey and would be happy to report these back to Scrutiny where appropriate.	Accepted
Bridgend County Borough Council Electric Vehicle Strategy			
Additional Information Request			
4	The Committee requested the number of publicly accessible electric vehicle charging points located in town centres and the number of commercially provided chargers	Page 9 of the Draft EV Charging Strategy highlights the position on charge points at the time of writing. However, commercially provided charge points is an	Accepted.

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	available e.g. at supermarkets, out-of-town developments, etc.	ever-evolving figure as they are installed privately to meet the needs of customers.	
Forward Work Programme Update			
5	The Committee requested that: a. the following be included in the scope of the report on Condition of the Highways and Status of Road Resurfacing Programme: i. Work being undertaken to enhance road safety including any traffic calming measures ii. What enforcement action is being taken against drivers who park illegally, particularly against persistent offenders. b. A report regarding the Integrated Work Management System be added to the Committee's FWP.	a. Scrutiny Officer included in scope of Report Request. b. Added to FWP for 15 Feb 2027 in Work Planning Meeting.	Accepted.