BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO THE CORPORATE RESOURCES AND IMPROVEMENT OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

23 APRIL 2015

REPORT OF THE ASSISTANT CHIEF EXECUTIVE – LEGAL & REGULATORY SERVICES

FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME UPDATE

1. Purpose of Report

1.1 The report presents the items due to be considered at the Committee's meeting to be held on 23 April 2015 and seeks confirmation of the information required for the subsequent meeting following the Annual General Meeting of Council.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Objectives / Other Corporate Priorities.

2.1 The key improvement objectives identified in the Corporate Plan 2013–2017 have been embodied in the Overview & Scrutiny Forward Work Programmes. The amended Corporate Improvement Objectives adopted by Council on 19 February 2014 formally set out the improvement objectives that the Council will seek to implement between 2013 and 2017. The Overview and Scrutiny Committees engage in review and development of plans, policy or strategies that support the Corporate Themes.

3. Background

3.1 At its meeting on 05 June 2014 the Corporate Resources and Improvement Overview and Scrutiny Committee determined its Annual Forward Work Programme for 2014-15.

4. Current Situation / proposal

Meetings of the Community Renewal and Environment Overview and Scrutiny Committee

4.1 The table below lists the items to be considered and the invitees due to attend in respect of the following meeting, the date for which will be agreed at the Annual General Meeting of Council in May.

Торіс	Invitees	Specific Information Requested	Research to be Undertaken by the Overview & Scrutiny Unit
Scrutiny Annual Forward Work Programme 2015-16	Cllr Gregory Ness Young	Scrutiny Annual Forward Work Programme proposals	
Work Placements, Traineeships and Apprenticeships	Cllr Gregory Ness Young Sarah Kingsbury	At a meeting on 11/09/14 - Committee requested that this should continue on FWP on an annual basis as an information report.	
Absence Management	Cllr Gregory Ness Young Sarah Kingsbury	At a meeting on 06/11/14 Committee requested that sickness absence on the forward work programme to be revisited once it is clearer what the financial costs of sickness absence are for the authority and to consider whether there is merit to scrutinise absence management further.	

5. Effect upon Policy Framework and Procedure Rules

5.1 The work of the Corporate Resources and Improvement Overview and Scrutiny Committee relates to the review and development of plans, policy or strategy that form part of the Policy Framework and consideration of plans, policy or strategy relating to the power to promote or improve economic, social or environmental well being in the County Borough of Bridgend.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 There are no equality impacts arising from this report.

7. Financial Implications

7.1 None.

8. Recommendation

The Committee is asked to:

- (i) Note the topics due be considered at the next meeting of the Committee, to be scheduled at the Annual General Meeting of Council in May, and confirm if it requires any additional specific information to be provided by the invitees listed or the Overview & Scrutiny Unit
- (ii) Determine the invitees to be invited to attend, any specific information it would like the invitees to provide and any research that it would like the Overview & Scrutiny Unit to undertake in relation to its subsequent meeting following the Annual General Meeting of Council

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Background Documents:

None