

BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

REPORT TO CABINET

10 MAY 2016

REPORT OF THE CORPORATE DIRECTOR OPERATIONAL & PARTNERSHIP SERVICES

CABINET, CORPORATE PARENTING CABINET COMMITTEE AND EQUALITIES CABINET COMMITTEE

1. Purpose of Report .

1.1 The purpose of this report is to:

- a. seek approval for the schedule of meetings of Cabinet, Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee and the Equalities Cabinet Committee for the period June 2016 - May 2017.
- b. propose Children's and Equalities Champions who will chair the Corporate Parenting and Equalities Cabinet Committees
- c. confirm the process for nomination of Champions from each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees to the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee.
- d. seek approval of the invitees to attend meetings of the Equalities Cabinet Committee as nominated by each of the political groups represented on Council.

2. Connection to Corporate Improvement Plan / Other Corporate Priority.

2.1 Effective arrangements for the Authority's decision making processes and the establishment of Committees and other bodies will fulfill the requirements of the Constitution and contribute to the achievement of the Corporate Themes and Priorities. The schedule of meetings will allow internal management planning for the production and presentation of reports and inform the general public of the future dates of meetings.

3. Background.

3.1 The proposed dates for Cabinet, Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee, Equalities Cabinet Committee and Joint Committee meetings will be reported for noting in the proposed schedule of meetings to be reported to the Annual Meeting of Council on 18 May 2016. This prevents meetings dates of Cabinet, Council or their Committees conflicting with each other.

4. Current situation / proposal.

4.1 Cabinet

4.1.1 Meetings of Cabinet proposed below, are planned to continue on a four weekly cycle with meetings commencing at 2.30pm.

4.1.2 The proposed schedule of Cabinet meetings for the period June 2016 – May 2017 is as follows:

2016	2017
7 June	10 January
5 July	31 January
26 July	14 February (Special)
6 September	28 February
4 October	28 March
1 November	25 April
29 November	

4.2 Corporate Parenting – Cabinet Committee

4.2.1 The proposed Schedule of meeting dates for the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee is detailed below:

Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee
20 July 2016
19 October 2016
18 January 2017
19 April 2017

4.2.2 The Deputy Leader was appointed by Cabinet at the meeting on 28 April 2015 as Lead Member for Children and Young People. As the Lead Member for Children and the Children's Champion, it is appropriate that the portfolio holder continue in this role and be appointed as the Chairperson for the Corporate Parenting - Cabinet Committee.

4.2.3 The Corporate Parenting - Cabinet Committee has previously established the principle of appointing one invitee from each of the five Overview and Scrutiny Committees as Corporate Parenting Champions. In addition, the Chairperson of the Children and Young People Overview and Scrutiny Committee is appointed as an invitee to the Corporate Parenting – Cabinet Committee. A report will be presented to the first meetings of each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees seeking these appointments. A report will then be presented to a future meeting of Cabinet to advise of the Corporate Parenting Champions appointed by each of the Overview and Scrutiny Committees.

4.3 Equalities - Cabinet Committee

4.3.1 The proposed schedule of meeting dates for the Equalities Cabinet Committee is detailed below:-

Equalities Cabinet Committee
14 July 2016
10 November 2016
9 March 2017

4.3.2 The Cabinet Member Childrens Social Services and Equalities was appointed by Cabinet at the meeting on 28 April 2015 as Lead Member for Equalities and it is appropriate that the portfolio holder continues to be the Equalities Champion and be appointed as the Chairperson for the Cabinet Committee Equalities.

4.3.3 The Members listed in the table below serve as existing invitees on the Equalities Cabinet Committee:

Equalities Cabinet Committee - 10 Invited Members

	<u>Political Group</u>	<u>Councillors</u>
1	Labour	Councillor N Farr
2	Labour	Councillor R C Jones
3	Labour	Councillor A D Owen
4	Labour	Councillor C Reeves
5	Labour	Councillor M Reeves
6	Labour	Councillor D Sage
7	Labour	Councillor M Thomas
8	Independent / Alliance	Councillor C A Green
9	Independent / Alliance	Vacancy
10	Independent Annibynnwr	Councillor M Butcher

Nominations are sought from the political groups on the basis of 7 Labour Group Members, 2 Independent / Alliance Group Members and 1 Independent / Annibynnwr Group Member.

5. Effect upon Policy Framework & Procedure Rules.

5.1 There will be no direct effect on the Policy Framework & Procedure Rules but, if approved, the report will provide a sound structure for Executive decision making, improve corporate planning within the Authority and provide greater accessibility and understanding for the residents of the County Borough.

6. Equality Impact Assessment

6.1 There are no negative equality implications arising from this report.

7. Financial Implications.

7.1 There are no financial implications regarding this report.

8. Recommendations.

- 8.1 That Cabinet approves the schedule of meeting dates for Cabinet, Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee and the Equalities Cabinet Committee meetings for the period May 2015 – May 2016 as outlined in Paragraphs 4.1.2, 4.2.1 and 4.3.1 of the report.
- 8.2 That the Deputy Leader be appointed as lead Member for Children and Young People, Children’s Champion and Chairperson of the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee.
- 8.3 That the process for determining the invitees for the Corporate Parenting Cabinet Committee as outlined in paragraph 4.2.3 be approved.
- 8.4 That the Cabinet Member Childrens Social Services and Equalities be appointed as the Equalities Champion and as Chairperson of the Equalities Cabinet Committee.
- 8.5 That Cabinet approve nominations of the invitees to the Equalities Cabinet Committee on the basis of 7 Labour Members, 2 Independent / Alliance Members and 1 Independent Annibynnr Member.

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None