



**RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL**

**RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE**

**DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 28 January, 2021**

**Cabinet Members Present:**

Councillor A Morgan (Chair), Councillor M Webber (Vice-Chair),  
Councillor R Bevan, Councillor A Crimmings, Councillor M Norris,  
Councillor J Rosser, Councillor R Lewis, Councillor C Leyshon and  
Councillor G Hopkins

**Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-**

Councillor S Bradwick  
Councillor H Fychan  
Councillor J Harries  
Councillor S Morgans

***Agenda Item : 3***

**SUBJECT: Climate Change Cabinet Steering Group Recommendations**

**1. DECISION MADE:**

**Agreed –**

1. To note the content of the three reports considered by the Climate Change Cabinet Steering Group on the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020, which are attached to the report;
2. To note the feedback and discussion of the Steering Group and;
3. The recommendation of the Climate Change Cabinet Steering Group in respect of the Nature's Assets report:
  1. That the Director, Corporate Estates and the Council's Ecologist undertake a review of the publicly owned land, to identify those sites which are most suitable for peatbog restoration and the cost implications; with a report presented back to the Steering Group for its consideration.

**2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:**

The need to provide the Cabinet with the recommendations of the Climate Change Cabinet Steering Group, which met on the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2020, to consider reports on Nature's Assets, the Strategic and Local Development Plans and Energy Generation.

**3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES/FUTURE GENERATIONS - SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT:**

The discussion of Natures' Assets contributes to the Council's priority to 'build a sustainable County Borough' as set out in the Council's Corporate Plan 2016-2020. It will contribute to the discussions about the next Corporate Plan for the period 2020 to 2024, which is likely to contain further consideration of the Climate and Biodiversity Emergencies.

Consideration of Natures Assets must reflect the five ways of working in the Well-being of Future Generations Act. In particular, this must be a long-term consideration, focused on preventative and precautionary action. It will contribute specifically to the Resilience and Global Responsibility goals of the Act, but in the longer term it could have implications for all the goals.

Preparation of the revised LDP will embrace the principles of the Corporate Plan, along with the wellbeing goals and five ways of working as identified within the WBFG Act. The revised LDP will also be guided by the aims and objectives set forth in the Cwm Taf Well-being Plan 2018-2023 entitled Our Cwm Taf. The revised plan will also be influenced by the cultural, economic, environmental and social well-being goals and objectives within Our Cwm Taf, where they relate to land-use planning.

**4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:**

None

**5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:**

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**6. PERSONAL INTERESTS DECLARED:**

None

**7. DISPENSATION TO SPEAK (AS GRANTED BY STANDARDS COMMITTEE):**

N/A

**8. (a) IS THE DECISION SUBJECT TO CALL-IN BY THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY COMMITTEE:**

Yes

**Note:** This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 3 clear working days after its publication i.e. **3 February 2021** to enable it to be the subject to the Call-In Procedure in Rule 17.1 of the Overview and Scrutiny Procedure Rules.

**8.(b) IF NO, REASONS WHY IN THE OPINION OF THE DECISION-MAKER THE DECISION IS EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:**

I. COUNCIL / SCRUTINY FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-  
Reason: N/A

II. URGENT DECISION:-  
Reason N/A

**8.(c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF PRESIDING MEMBER OR DEPUTY PRESIDING MEMBER OR HEAD OF PAID SERVICE CONFIRMING AGREEMENT THAT THE PROPOSED DECISION IS REASONABLE IN ALL THE CIRCUMSTANCES FOR IT BEING TREATED AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE OVERVIEW AND SCRUTINY PROCEDURE RULE 17.2:**

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(PRESIDING MEMBER)

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(Dated)

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**APPROVED FOR PUBLICATION: ✓**