



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

MUNICIPAL YEAR 2020/21

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE - 18 JANUARY 2021

CABINET/SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME: 2020- 2021 MUNICIPAL YEAR

**REPORT OF THE SERVICE DIRECTOR, DEMOCRATIC SERVICES &
COMMUNICATIONS**

1. PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 To provide members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee with the opportunity to maintain its challenging but supportive approach to scrutiny during Covid-19 by considering the Cabinet Work Programme for the 2020-2021 Municipal Year (attached at Appendix 1) and to identify any matters that Members wish to consider in greater detail.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Members:-

- 2.1 Acknowledge the contents of the attached draft Cabinet and Overview & Scrutiny Work Programmes and determine whether the items included in the latter are relevant and in line with the terms of reference of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee; and
- 2.2 To afford the Overview & Scrutiny Committee the opportunity to identify any matters within the Cabinet forward work programme for pre-scrutiny; and
- 2.3 Consider any additional training requirements that Members consider would assist them in their role.

3. REASONS FOR RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 In accordance with paragraph 12.1 (Part 4) of the Council's Constitution, the Cabinet Work Programme should be prepared to cover a period of three months, with an updated version provided at the end of this period.
- 3.2 Following the amendments to the Leaders Scheme of Delegation at the Council AGM on the 25th May 2016 it was agreed that going forward a detailed Cabinet

Work Programme be published for a 6-month period, allowing sufficient notice and opportunity for consultation and / or pre scrutiny.

- 3.3 It is proposed that Members of the Scrutiny Committee have the opportunity to review the next phase of its work programme for the 2020/21 municipal year from January to April 2021.

4. BACKGROUND

- 4.1 Members will recall that following the introduction of social distancing measures at the end of March 2020 the Council saw the suspension of formal committees as it responded to the pandemic crisis. The decision making and governance continued to operate in compliance with the Council's Constitution to discharge key decisions.
- 4.2 The Council successfully rolled out its committee meetings on a virtual basis and it has since been acknowledged that the methodical approach to virtual meetings has equipped Members with the necessary support and knowledge to overcome any technical challenges and allowed them to fully participate in the Council's democratic process. The level of engagement and [number of virtual meetings](#) is testament to the success of those approaches to the virtual roll out.
- 4.3 Initially the Overview & Scrutiny Committee undertook the substantive scrutiny role for a three-month period to cover the extended municipal year. In that time Scrutiny saw its forward work programme re-aligned to deal with one or two matters per agenda offering a combination of short reports and verbal updates from Officers.
- 4.4 Members were aware of the then resource constraints under which scrutiny was working and an element of flexibility was adopted whilst the council dealt with local lockdown measure and restraints. At that time Members were satisfied that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee was undertaking a council-wide approach and extended the opportunity for all non-executive Members to engage in the scrutiny process.
- 4.5 In October 2020, Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee received a forward work programme covering the initial three-month period of the new Municipal Year 2020-21, specifically from October to December 2020. This encompassed a more 'business as usual' element as the other four themed scrutiny committees were re-instated and developed their own work programmes.
- 4.6 Whilst in this first period, the Overview & Scrutiny Committee addressed a number of strategic matters, Members were still mindful of the constraints on officers and resources in general and maintained a flexible approach to its work programme. Robust and member led scrutiny was undertaken in this time of crisis.

4.7 It is proposed that Scrutiny continues to consider a work programme that is manageable and addresses the items which require a timely response as well being able to adapt to any necessary changes.

5. SCRUTINY APPROACHES DURING THE NEXT PERIOD

5.1 The attached forward work programme incorporates matters for consideration and the list of topics under the heading 'Ongoing matters for future review' can be allocated as and when appropriate. Members are reminded that, given the current climate, the forward work programme priorities are subject to change should other specific business need to be considered by the Committee on this date.

5.2 It is worthy of noting that the cross-party working group to review the Local Development Plan for RCT has been established and held its first meeting on the 26th November 2020. The working group will continue to contribute to the initial identification of the vision, aims and objectives of the Plan, which will then feed into the preparation of the Preferred Strategy and ultimately the draft (Deposit) Revised LDP.

5.3 Members are encouraged to contribute to their forward Work Programme by suggesting areas of possible scrutiny.

6. TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

6.1 To fulfil their role as an Overview & Scrutiny Committee member, ongoing training requirements are a key consideration and therefore Members are asked to identify any gaps in their development particularly in relation to undertaking scrutiny of the items listed on the forward work programme.

7. CONSULTATION / INVOLVEMENT

7.1 The Cabinet work programme has been compiled by members of the Senior Leadership Team in discussion with the relevant portfolio holder(s).

7.2 The Overview & Scrutiny Committee forward work programme has been developed based on the new ways of working, in discussions with the Chair and Vice Chair of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee as well as with the relevant portfolio holder.

8. EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

8.1 An Equality Impact Assessment is not needed because the contents of the report are for information purposes only.

9. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

9.1 There are no financial implications aligned to this report.

10. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED

10.1 The report has been prepared in accordance with paragraph 12.1 (Part 4) of the Council's Constitution.

11. LINKS TO THE COUNCILS CORPORATE PLAN / OTHER CORPORATE PRIORITIES.

11.1 This is an information report presenting the Cabinet and Overview & Scrutiny Work Programmes in responding to the Covid 19 pandemic. No decisions are being taken in this report.

12. CONCLUSION

12.1 The Cabinet and Overview & Scrutiny work programmes for the 2020-2021 Municipal Year are attached. Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee are asked to identify any items they would like to review in greater detail from the Cabinet work programme which will also ensure that the Overview & Scrutiny Committee fully evaluates the effectiveness of its overview and scrutiny function during these uncertain times.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972

AS AMENDED BY

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

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SCRUTINY WORK PROGRAMME OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY

'Holding the Executive & Council to account in respect of all three priorities within the Council's Corporate Plan'

Each of the Council's Scrutiny Committees is responsible for setting and agreeing its own work programme by identifying a list of themes and topics which fall under the remit of each individual Scrutiny Committee. Following discussion with the Chair, Vice Chair and Scrutiny Members a practical, realistic and timetabled programme can then be developed.

The scrutiny forward work programmes should provide a clear rationale as to why particular issues have been selected; be outcome focussed; ensure that the method of scrutiny is best suited to the topic area and the outcome desired; align scrutiny programmes with the council's performance management, self-evaluation and improvement arrangements.

Throughout the year, there are a number of ways in which additional issues can be considered for inclusion in the Scrutiny Work Programme and ideas for inclusion may come from a number of sources such as:-

- Individual Councillors;
- Performance or budget monitoring information;
- Inspection reports;
- Referrals from Council (such as Notices of Motion), Cabinet/Audit or other scrutiny committees;
- Service users;
- Monitoring the implementation of recommendations previously made by the Committee; and
- Local Residents

The Cabinet is also required to produce forward work programmes and the Overview & Scrutiny Committee keeps abreast of forthcoming items or topics which may enable scrutiny to be involved in the development of Council policy prior to its formal consideration by Cabinet. It is important to bear in mind that an element of flexibility is applied to each individual work programme that provides Committees with the capacity to scrutinise new / urgent issues that arise during the year.

Date/Time	Overarching Item	Officer	Cabinet Member	Scrutiny Focus
18 th January 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Overview & Scrutiny Work Programme January to April 2021 • Cabinet Work Programme 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Service Director Democratic Services & Communications 		<p>Scrutiny & Challenge – For O&S to agree its own revised work programme for the next 3 months (January-April 2021)</p> <p>To consider and develop a schedule of training requirements for members of the O&S Committee.</p> <p>Scrutiny & Challenge – To receive the Cabinet Work Programme to identify any future opportunities for pre-scrutiny by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee.</p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Councils Corporate Feedback Scheme (CFS) 	Customer Feedback, Engagement & Complaints Manager		<p>Scrutiny & Challenge – To receive an overview of the Council's Corporate Feedback Scheme with a view to identifying themes, trends and improvements for future review.</p>
23 February 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cwm Taf Safeguarding Annual Plan 	Group Director Community & Children's Services		<p>Scrutiny & Challenge – To receive the Cwm Taf Safeguarding Annual Plan</p>
		Service Director Democratic Services & Communications		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audit Wales – Rhondda Cynon Taf Annual Improvement Report 	Service Director Performance & Improvement		<p>Scrutiny & Challenge – For Scrutiny to consider the proposals for improvement and the progress made against these actions to be reported to the respective Scrutiny Committees.</p>
17 March 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual Equalities Report 2020/21 	Director of Human Resources		<p>Pre-Scrutiny of the Annual Equalities Report 2020-21</p>
		Service Director Democratic Services & Communications		
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14 April 2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Draft Annual Overview & Scrutiny Report 2020/2021 	Service Director Democratic Services & Communications		<p>Scrutiny & Challenge – For the O&S Committee to challenge and comment on the draft Scrutiny Annual Report 2020/2021</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Does the Scrutiny Annual Report illustrate clear outcomes and objectives? • Has it demonstrated clear evidence and impact of scrutiny outcomes? • Do Members agree it is an accurate reflection of the

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O&S- Ongoing Matters for Future Review:-

The Council's Response to Covid-19

Scrutiny response to the Council's Section 19 Investigation Report

Modernisation of Residential Care and Day Care for Older People

Electric Vehicles (EV) and Charging Infrastructure.

Update on the RCT Scrutiny Review –'Fit for the Future'

Welsh Language Standards Compliance Report

21 Century Schools and Colleges Programme – Mutual Investment Model

Scrutiny Feedback

Feedback to relevant consultations

Quarterly Review of the O&S Scrutiny Work Programme

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Cabinet Work Programme.

Forward plan of proposed Cabinet Business for the 2020/21 Municipal Year

Specific Period: -September 2020 – May 2021.

(Summary of proposed Key Decisions coming forward for Cabinet Members consideration.)

N.B – The work programme is subject to change to take account of any additional / deletion of reports, including any new consultative documents or legislative initiatives from the Welsh Government, which require urgent attention.

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Chief Executive

Cabinet Work Programme	In line with the Council's Constitution there is a need to advise and publish the Cabinet Work Programme.	Continuous		Every 3 months June 20 September 20 December 20 March 21	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Service Director, Democratic Services & Communication – C Hanagan	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet Members • SLT • Overview & Scrutiny
Council's Performance & Resources Report	To provide Cabinet with an overview of the Council's performance, both from a financial and operational perspective	Continuous		Quarter 4 – July 2020 Quarter 1 – September 2020 Quarter 2 – November 2020 Quarter 3 – March 2021	Councillor M Norris. Director of Finance & Digital Services - B Davies	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report is presented to Finance & Performance Scrutiny Committee following consideration by Cabinet

SEPTEMBER

Leader's Scheme of Delegation	To formally receive the Leader's Scheme of Delegation following the 2020 Council AGM	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Service Director, Democratic Services & Communication – C Hanagan	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet Members
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Supplementary Capital Programmes – ‘Education and Inclusion Services’ and ‘Highways, Transportation & Strategic projects’	To provide details and obtain approval for phase 2 of the proposed supplementary capital programmes for Education & Inclusion Services and Highways, Transportation & Strategic Projects.	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Director of Finance & Digital Services – B Davies	Open	
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OCTOBER

Medium Term Financial Plan Update	To provide Members with an update on the Medium Term Financial Plan for 2020/21 – 2023/24 (mid-year budget review)	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Councillor M Norris. Director of Finance & Digital Services - B Davies	Open	
Corporate Performance Report	To consider the Council’s Corporate Performance Report and recommend its endorsement by Council	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Chief Executive – C Bradshaw	Open	

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JANUARY

Digital Strategy Work - Update	To provide Members with an update in respect of the Digital Strategy Work Programme	Complete	Cabinet	January 2021	Councillor M Norris. Director of Finance & Digital Services – B Davies	Open	
Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 (RIPA) - Use of RIPA in 2019-20 by RCTCBC	To enable Members to review the Council's use of the Regulation of Investigatory Powers Act 2000 ('RIPA')		Cabinet	January 2021	Deputy Leader, Councillor M Webber. Director of Legal & Services – A Wilkins	Open	
Corporate Parenting Board Annual Report	To consider the Annual report of the Corporate Parenting Board.		Cabinet	January 2021	Cllr C Leyshon Service Director, Democratic Services & Communication – C Hanagan C Hanagan		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corporate Parenting Board • Children & Young People Scrutiny

FEBRUARY

Corporate Asset Management Plan Interim Update	To brief members on progress with the plan		Cabinet	February 2021	Councillor M Norris. Director of Corporate Estates – D Powell	Exempt	•
Built Asset Review Report			Cabinet	February 2021	Councillor M Norris.		•

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					Director of Corporate Estates – D Powell		
Budget Report	The need to adopt a budget strategy to recommend to Council as the basis of the budget strategy for the financial year ending March 2022, following consideration of the consultation feedback		Cabinet	February 2021	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Director of Finance & Digital Services – B Davies	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Budget Consultation - Service Users, School Budget Forum and Finance and Performance Scrutiny Committee.
Council Fees & Charges	The need to advise Cabinet of the proposed Council Fees and Charges for the financial year 2021/22		Cabinet	February 2021	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Director of Finance & Digital Services – B Davies	Open	
General Data Protection Review Update	To receive an update in respect of the GDPR		Cabinet	February 2021	Councillor M Norris. Director of Finance & Digital Services – B Davies	Open	

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The Council's Response to Covid-19	To formally receive a service update on the Council's service response to the Covid-19 pandemic	Continuous	Cabinet	When Applicable	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan, Chief Executive – C Bradshaw	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cabinet Members • SLT • Overview & Scrutiny
RCT Flooding Update	To receive updates in respect of flooding in Rhondda Cynon Taf in addition to statutory reporting requirements into flooding.		Cabinet	When Applicable	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan, Chief Executive – C Bradshaw		
Brexit	To receive a verbal update in respect of Brexit		Cabinet	When appropriate	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Chief Executive – C Bradshaw	Open	
Cardiff Capital Region - City Deal	The need to advise of the progress being made in respect of the City Deal		Cabinet	When Applicable	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan & Chief Executive, C Bradshaw	Open	
Staff Panel Report	To receive details of the proposals put forward by the Council's Staff Panel in respect of efficiency savings and		Cabinet	When Applicable	Councillor M Webber & Service Director, Democratic Services & Communication - C Hanagan	Open	

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	smarter ways of working						
Climate Change Cabinet Steering Group Recommendations	To receive recommendations coming forward following consideration by the Climate Change Cabinet Steering Group		Cabinet	When Applicable	Specific to the report	Open	
Scrutiny Recommendations	To receive recommendations coming forward following a scrutiny review.		Cabinet	Continuous	Specific to the Scrutiny Review undertaken	Open	
Write off of irrecoverable Debts	To update Cabinet with a position statement on irrecoverable debts		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan & Councillor M Norris. Director, Finance & Digital Services – B Davies	Exempt	

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Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services

SEPTEMBER

Review of Regeneration Business Support Grants	To seek approval to refocus the existing business support grant schemes delivered by the Regeneration Service, and to establish three further schemes – the Town Centre COVID 19 Recovery Grant, the Major Projects Investment Fund and the Flood Resilience Grant.	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Councillor R Bevan Director of Prosperity & Development - S Gale	Open	
Cynon Gateway North (Aberdare Bypass)	To update Cabinet on the current progress related to the development and delivery of the major	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Leader of the Council Councillor A Morgan. Group Director – Prosperity, Development &	Open	

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	transportation project: Cynon Gateway North (Aberdare Bypass).				Frontline Services – N Wheeler		
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OCTOBER

Kick Start Scheme for Young People Aged 16-24 Years	To seek approval for an application to become a Gateway employer under the Department of Work and Pensions' Kickstart Scheme so that the Council will be able to make applications on behalf of small and medium-sized businesses with less than 30 placements for young people;	Complete	Delegated Decision	October 2020	Joint Decision of the Group Director, Prosperity & Development, Director, Public Health, Protection & Community Services and the Director of Human Resources	Open	
Proposed introduction of a new Domestic Heating Grant	To provide a new Heating Grant funded from the Capital Housing Programme to support the strategic objectives contained	Complete	Delegated Decision	October 2020	Group Director, Prosperity & Development Councillor R Bevan	Open	

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	with the Council's Warmer Homes: A Fuel Poverty Strategy 2009-2023.						
Active Travel: Review of Integrated Travel Map	To seek Members' approval to commence a review, including a public engagement exercise, of the Council's existing Active Travel Integrated Network Map (ATINM). This report also outlines the reasons for undertaking this exercise.	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Councillor A Crimmings. Group Director – Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services – N Wheeler	Open	

NOVEMBER

Highways, Transportation And Strategic Projects - Highway Asset Investment Strategy	To provide Members with the highway asset investment strategy	Complete	Cabinet	November 2020	Leader of the Council Councillor A Morgan. Group Director – Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services – N Wheeler	Open	
Community infrastructure levy	CIL regulations require a report to	Complete	Cabinet		Councillor R Bevan	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance and Performance 	

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annual monitoring report	update Cabinet on the performance of CIL during the last year and make any amendments deemed necessary.			November 2020	Director of Prosperity & Development - S Gale	Scrutiny Committee	

DECEMBER

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MARCH

Supplementary Capital Programme - Highways, Transportation & Strategic projects	The need to seek approval for detailed investment within the service following Council's approval of the 3 year Capital Programme.		Cabinet	March 2021	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Group Director – Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services – N Wheeler	Open	
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ONGOING UPDATES

Processing Of Mixed Kerbside Recycling	To provide Members with an update in respect of the opportunities of investment into processing of Mixed Kerbside Recycling		Cabinet		Leader of the Council Councillor A Morgan. Group Director – Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services – N Wheeler	Exempt	
Highways Investment Scheme	To receive regular updates in respect of the Highways Investment Scheme		Cabinet		Leader of the Council Councillor A Morgan. Group Director – Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services – N Wheeler		

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Review of Mainstream School Transport Provision	Need to provide Cabinet with the outcomes of the periodic review of the Council's mainstream School Transport Provision		Cabinet	Periodic Review / when applicable	Leader of the Council, Councillor A Morgan. Group Director – Prosperity, Development & Frontline Services – N Wheeler	Open	
Porth Town Centre Strategy	To receive updates as and when applicable		Cabinet	When appropriate	Councillor R Bevan Director of Prosperity & Development - S Gale		
Taff Vale Update and Business Plan	Taff Vale Update Report.		Cabinet	When appropriate	Councillor R Bevan Director of Prosperity & Development - S Gale	Open	

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Scrutiny Recommendations	To receive any recommendations coming forward following a scrutiny review.		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Specific to Scrutiny Review undertaken	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrutiny
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Community & Children's Services

SEPTEMBER

Establishing a Social Letting Agency	To inform Cabinet of the proposal to establish a Social Letting Agency.	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Cllr R Lewis Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services	Open	
Approval for RCT Theatres to produce a Digital Christmas Performance	To provide Cabinet Members with information in relation to the proposal for RCT Theatres to produce a digital Christmas performance to share online in December 2020.	Complete		September 2020	Cllr R Lewis Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services	Open	
Proposed Extension and Variation to Rhondda Cynon Taf CBC's Dog Control Public Spaces Protection Orders	To inform Members of the outcomes of the public consultation exercise and to seek authority to extend	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Cllr R Lewis Cllr C Crimmings Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services		

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	the two Public Spaces Protection Orders relating to dog controls in Rhondda Cynon Taf (the Dog Control PSPO's).				Group Director, Prosperity, Development and Frontline Services		
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Cwm Taf Safeguarding Annual Plan	To receive the Cwm Taf Safeguarding Annual Plan	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Councillor G Hopkins, Cllr T Leyshon Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini	Open	
Firework Controls	To receive information on Firework Controls following the Council NOM.	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Cllr R Lewis Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services	Open	
Social Services Annual Complaints Report	Provide Cabinet with an overview of the operation & effectiveness of the Council's Social Services complaints procedure	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Councillor G Hopkins Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini	Open	Health & Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee Corporate Parenting Board

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Funding for Food Banks and Mental Health Support during 'firebreak' lockdown	To approve £25,000 to support local food banks and mental health support during the Welsh Government's national "firebreak" lockdown and the subsequent weeks ahead.	Complete	Delegated Decision	October 2020	Director, Public Health, Protection and Community Services Councillor R Lewis Councillor A Morgan	Open	
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NOVEMBER

Bereavement Services – Concessionary Charges In Exceptional Circumstances	That a financial concession is to be afforded to families requiring multiple funeral services within their close family circle. This concession is to be applied during exceptional circumstances (e.g. global pandemic).	Complete	Delegated Decision	November 2020	Director, Public Health, Protection and Community Services Councillor R Lewis	Open	
Director Social Services Annual Report	To receive the final report of the Director, Social	Complete	Cabinet	November 2020	Councillors G Hopkins & T Leyshon.	Open	Children & Young People Scrutiny Committee

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National Adoption Annual Report	To receive the National Adoption Annual Report		Cabinet	January 2021	C Leyshon and Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini	Open	
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FEBRUARY

The Council's response to the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation	To receive the Council's response to the Welsh Index of Multiple Deprivation		Cabinet	February 2021	Cllr R Lewis Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services		
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Specialist Placements	To receive information on Specialist Placements.		Cabinet	February 2021	Councillor C Leyshon Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini		
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Hires and Prices Reviews	To receive information of the review of Hires and Prices		Cabinet	April 2021	Cllr R Lewis Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services		
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Provision of Cemeteries within RCT	To receive information on the provision of cemeteries in RCT		Cabinet	May 2021	Cllr R Lewis Director, Public Health Protection & Community Services		
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ONGOING UPDATES

Modernisation of Residential Care and Day Care for Older People – Consultation feedback	To receive the consultation feedback		Cabinet	When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins, Group Director Community & Children’s Services – G Isingrini		Overview and Scrutiny Committee
SS&WB Board Development	To consider any updates as appropriate in respect of the SS&WB Board		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins. Group Director Community & Children’s Services – G Isingrini	Open	
Regional Transformation Agenda	To receive an update on the		Cabinet	When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins and		

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	regional transformation agenda				Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini		
Development of Community Hubs	To consider the development of Community Hubs across the County Borough		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Councillor R Lewis Director, Public Health, Protection & Community Services	Open	
Extra Care Strategy	To receive update reports on the Councils progress in respect of delivery of the Extra Care Strategy		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins. Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini	Open	
Advocacy	To provide Cabinet with an update in respect of advocacy		Cabinet	When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins and Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini		
Cwm Taf MASH Annual Report	To receive the Annual report of the Cwm Taf MASH		Cabinet	When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins. Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini	Open	
Social Services & Wellbeing Act	To provide updates as and when necessary on the Council's duties in respect of the Act		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Councillor G Hopkins. Group Director Community & Children's Services – G Isingrini	Open	

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Local Air Quality Management Reports	To provide details of the Local Air Quality Management Reports		Delegated Decision	Continuous / When Applicable	Councillor R Lewis Director, Public Health, Protection & Community Services	Open	
Scrutiny Recommendations	To receive any recommendations coming forward following a scrutiny review.		Cabinet	Continuous / When Applicable	Specific to Scrutiny Review undertaken	Open	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Scrutiny

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21 st Century Schools and Colleges Programme – Mutual Investment Model Welsh Education Partnership Strategic Partnering Agreement	To provide Members with an update on the Mutual Investment Model (MIM) funding element of Welsh Government's 21st Century Schools and Colleges Programme and to inform Members of progress Welsh Government has made in procuring a private sector partner to assist with the delivery of education and community facilities in Wales, under the MIM 21st Century Schools and Colleges Programme.	Complete	Cabinet	September 2020	Councillor J Rosser & Director, Education & Inclusion Services -G Davies	Open	

OCTOBER

Foundation Phase, Key Stage 2&3 and Key Stage 4 outcomes for 2019	To provide Members with initial feedback on the Foundation Phase, Key Stage 2, 3	Complete	Cabinet	October 2020	Councillor J Rosser & Director, Education & Inclusion Services -G Davies	Open	
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Key stage 4 and 5 outcomes	To receive the final data from Welsh Government in respect of the Educational Outcomes for RCT		Cabinet	January 2021	Councillor J Rosser & Director, Education & Inclusion Services -G Davies	Open	

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Childcare Sufficiency Update - Prescrutiny	The need to provide details of the Childcare Sufficiency Audit undertaken, in line with Welsh		Cabinet	March 2021	Councillor J Rosser. Director, Education & Inclusion Services -G Davies; Childcare Officer - D Humphries	Open	Children & Young People Scrutiny committee
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	Government Requirements						
Supplementary Capital Programme – Education & Inclusion Services	The need to seek Cabinet approval for further detailed investment within the service following Council’s approval of the 3 year Capital Programme.		Cabinet	March 2021	Councillor J Rosser. Director, Education & Inclusion Services -G Davies	Open	

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