



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 18th July 2017

Agenda Item : 4

**SUBJECT: THE RHONDDA CYNON TAF RESILIENT FAMILIES
PROGRAMME: DELIVERING INTEGRATED FAMILY SUPPORT AND EARLY
INTERVENTION AND PREVENTION SERVICES IN RHONDDA CYNON TAF**

**Cabinet Members Present
County Borough Councillors:**

M.Webber(Chair), R.Bevan, A.Crimmings,
G.Hopkins, M.Norris, R.Lewis, C.Leyshon, J.Rosser

**Apology for Absence
County Borough Councillor:**

A.Morgan

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

S.Bradwick, J.Bonetto

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To consider the findings of the Team Around the Family (TAF) Review alongside the findings of the Vulnerability Profiling and Children's Services Project as set out in sections 6 and 7 of this report.
2. To the development of a Resilient Families Service in consultation with key partners to deliver an improved Team Around the Family (TAF) model that enables us to respond to the needs of families swiftly and effectively.
3. To receive a further report on the options considered and recommended model of delivery for the Resilient Families Service in September 2017.
4. To the Resilient Families Programme being the prevailing arrangement that shapes how national policy related to supporting families is implemented in RCT.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to brief Members on the work underway to establish and implement an Integrated Family Support Framework to co-ordinate effective specialist early intervention and prevention services and deliver integrated support for families across the County Borough; and to seek approval for the creation of the Resilient Families Programme as the single approach in Rhondda Cynon Taf that aligns the work of the Council and its public, private and voluntary sector partners in order to secure improved outcomes for families.

3. LINKS TO CORPORATE PRIORITIES / FUTURE GENERATIONS – SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT.

The **Council's Vision** of *'a County Borough that has high aspirations, is confident and promotes opportunity for all'*.

The **Council's Corporate Plan 2016**

- **PEOPLE** - Promoting independence and positive lives for everyone;
 - Priority 2 - Redesigned local services - integrated and efficient
 - Priority 3 - Rhondda Cynon Taf's children and young people will receive a great start in life

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

As outlined in section 13 of the report, the Resilient Families Programme has been presented to both the Children's Services Senior Management Team and the Education and Lifelong Learning Senior Management Team and commitment given from both Directorates to support its development and implementation.

The Integrated Family Support Framework has been presented to Action for Children and Barnardos as the service providers currently commissioned to deliver Team Around the Family arrangements and formal consultation will be undertaken with them following the completion of a Service Specification which is due to be completed by mid July.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL

None

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 NO

Note: This decision will not come into force and may not be implemented until the expiry of 5 clear working days after its publication i.e. **26th July, 2017** 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 DEEMED EXEMPT OR NON APPLICABLE:

- I. COUNCIL FUNCTION (CALL IN IS THEREFORE NON APPLICABLE):-
Reason:.....**N/A**.....
- II. URGENT DECISION:-
Reason:.....**N/A**.....

8. (c) IF DEEMED URGENT - SIGNATURE OF MAYOR OR DEPUTY MAYOR 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:

N/A

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(Mayor)

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(Dated)

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'A. S. Jones', written over a faint, illegible printed name.

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(Proper Officer)

18th July, 2017
(Dated)