



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 24th October 2019

PRE SCRUTINY FEEDBACK

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

1 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of the report is to provide Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee with the decision Cabinet following the pre scrutiny opportunity undertaken by this Committee of the Council's Draft Corporate Plan 2020.

2 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Overview & Scrutiny:-

- 2.1 Acknowledge the content of the Cabinet Decision Notice (appended to the report) in response to the opportunity afforded to this Committee to undertake pre scrutiny of the Council's draft Corporate Plan 2020.

3 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 3.1 Members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee undertook pre scrutiny of the Council's draft Corporate Plan 2020 at its special meeting held on the 23rd September 2019. At the meeting discussions were far reaching and Members provided contributions and observations in relation to each of the Council's main priorities and key commitments as set out in the Council's draft Corporate Plan.
- 3.3 The comments captured at the meeting were subsequently incorporated into the draft Corporate Plan which was considered by Cabinet at its meeting on the 17th October 2019.
- 3.4 The Decision Notice from the meeting of the Cabinet is appended to this report for Members' information.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 By receiving the Cabinet Decision Notice members of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee are able to view the feedback of the Cabinet to the Pre Scrutiny opportunity which will further strengthen the scrutiny process.
- 4.2 This two way process fosters greater engagement between Scrutiny and the Cabinet, enabling Scrutiny to see the benefits of its pre scrutiny opportunities on the key policy decisions of the Council.

5 EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 There are no Equality and Diversity implications arising from this report and no Equality Impact Assessment is deemed necessary for the purposes of this report.

6 CONSULTATION

- 6.1 The comments of this Committee were sought in respect of the Council's draft Corporate Plan 2020 before consideration by Cabinet. Following Cabinet's approval at its meeting on the 17th October 2019, the Council's Corporate Plan will go forward to public consultation.

7 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

- 7.1 There are no financial implications as a result of the recommendations set out in the report.

8 LEGAL IMPLICATIONS OR LEGISLATION CONSIDERED

- 8.1 There are no legal implications as a result of the recommendations set out in the report.

9 LINKS TO CORPORATE AND NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND THE WELL-BEING OF FUTURE GENERATIONS ACT

- 9.1 In undertaken pre-scrutiny, the committee considered how the proposed report met the 5 ways of working of seven well-being goal, as contained with the Future Generations & Well-being Act when considering the report.
- 9.2 In doing so, the Committee considered the long-term impact of this proposal, opportunities to work better with people, communities and partners, to tackle persistent challenges such as health inequalities. This includes recognizing the importance of tackling climate change.



RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNCIL

RECORD OF DECISIONS OF THE EXECUTIVE

DECISION MADE BY: Cabinet DATE DECISION MADE: 17 October, 2019

Cabinet Members Present:

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

Other Councillor(s) in Attendance:-

Councillor P Jarman

Agenda Item : 3

**SUBJECT: MAKING A DIFFERENCE: THE COUNCIL'S DRAFT CORPORATE PLAN
2020-2024 FOR CONSULTATION**

1. DECISION MADE:

Agreed –

1. To note the comments and observations of the Overview & Scrutiny Committee;
2. To endorse the recommendations outlined within the Council's draft Corporate plan 2020 – 2024 as follows:
 - i. To note the actions set out in the plan that will contribute to the Council's commitment to delivering the Net Zero Carbon targets set out by the Committee on Climate Change;
 - ii. To use the Corporate Plan as a key aspect of the forthcoming 2020/21 Budget Consultation process with the public of Rhondda Cynon Taf; and
 - iii. That the feedback from the consultation processes is presented to Cabinet in March 2020, with the revised Corporate Plan being presented to a meeting of the Council later that month.

N.B – With the permission of the Chair, County Borough Councillor P Jarman spoke on this item.

2. REASON FOR THE DECISION BEING MADE:

The need to update Members on the Council's draft corporate plan 2020 – 2024 for consultation following Pre-scrutiny by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on the 23rd September 2019.

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

As outlined within Section 10 of the report, Pre-Scrutiny ties in with the Corporate Plan priorities by making the most of the budget and improving cost effectiveness.

The draft corporate plan proposes a new set of corporate priorities and performance targets which will drive the work of the Council between 2020/21 and 2024/25 and links to the Well-being of Future Generation Act and well being goals.

4. CONSULTATION UNDERTAKEN PRIOR TO DECISION BEING MADE:

As detailed in Section 7, the report will be subject to public consultation.

5. PREVIOUS CONSIDERATION BY A COMMITTEE OF THE COUNCIL:

The report was previously subject to pre-Scrutiny by the Overview & Scrutiny Committee at its meeting on the [23rd September 2019](#).

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. **23 October 2019** 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:

.....NA.....
(PRESIDING MEMBER)

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(Dated)

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