

THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL

COUNCIL: 26TH APRIL, 2021

REFERENCE FROM CABINET: 8TH MARCH, 2021

“C503 DRAFT VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN (IMPROVEMENT PLAN PART 1) 2021-22 (L/PR) (SCRUTINY – ALL) -

The Leader presented the report, the purpose of which was to seek Cabinet endorsement of the draft Annual Delivery Plan (Improvement Plan Part 1) 2021-22

The report set out how the draft Annual Delivery Plan (ADP) had been developed including the feedback received during the consultation and scrutiny of the draft plan.

The ADP was the Improvement Plan (Part 1) for 2021-22 and was aligned to the Council's four Well-being Objectives.

The ADP detailed the activities that would be undertaken in 2021-22 to deliver those objectives within the context of the current COVID-19 pandemic and the Council's Recovery Strategy.

The commitments within the ADP would be reflected in annual Service Plans together with service improvement targets which would detail how different Council services would contribute to the delivery of the four Well-being Objectives.

Work had commenced to develop the Service Plans which would be presented to the relevant Scrutiny Committees in March together with proposed service improvement targets for 2021-22. These would be considered by Cabinet following Scrutiny Committees' review.

Publishing the Well-being Objectives at the start of the financial year would enable statutory obligations to be met in the Local Government (Wales) Measure 2009 and the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 (WFGA), both of which placed specific duties on the Council in relation to objective setting and reporting. Under the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act, the Council was required to publish its Well-being Objectives by 31st March each year and to keep those under review. Under the Local Government Measure, the Council also had to set annual Improvement Objectives and publish those as soon as possible at the start of the financial year.

The Leader added that as this was a matter to be considered by Full Council at the next meeting, he moved to amend Recommendation (1) to include the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure.

This was a matter for Executive decision.

Cabinet, having considered the report and all the issues and implications contained therein

RESOLVED –

(1) T H A T the draft Annual Delivery Plan (Appendix A to the report) be endorsed and referred to Council for consideration and approval and that the Urgent Decision Procedure set out in Section 14:14 of the Council's Constitution in respect of Recommendation (1) be approved.

(2) T H A T the approach taken this year to draft the Annual Delivery Plan and the relationship with Annual Service Plans be noted.

Reasons for decisions

(1) To ensure that the Annual Delivery Plan could be presented to Council in April for consideration and endorsement as part of the Improvement Plan (Part 1) for 2021-22 and reporting of the use of the Urgent Decision Procedure is a requirement of the Council's Constitution.

(2) To ensure that Cabinet were aware of how the Coronavirus Recovery Strategy and other key documents have informed the Annual Delivery Plan which would provide the framework for annual Service Plans.”