

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 12th March, 2024.

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Present: Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby (Chair); Councillor I.A.N. Perry (Vice-Chair); Councillors C.E.A. Champion, P. Drake, V.P. Driscoll, M.J. Hooper, E. Penn and J. Protheroe.

Also present: Councillor L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources), Dr. I.J. Johnson, E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health) and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillor C. Iannucci and S.T. Wiliam.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the Special meeting held on 13th February, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

Councillor V.P. Driscoll declared an interest in respect of Agenda Item 7 – Annual Delivery Plan Monitoring Report. The nature of the interest was that Councillor Driscoll was the Director of a company that had received a Council grant. The nature of the report meant that Councillor Driscoll was able to remain in the meeting for the agenda item.

AGENDA ITEM 4. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE INSPECTION REGIME (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T Cabinet be advised of the view of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee that consideration should be given to improving the online reporting process for carriageway defects to ensure it is easier to use.

Reason for recommendation

Having regards to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5. QUARTER 3 REVENUE MONITORING 2023/24 (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the position with regard to the Authority's 2023/24 revenue budget be noted.
- (2) T H A T the budget virements for 2023/24 as presented in the report be noted.

Reason for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6. CAPITAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL TO 31ST DECEMBER, 2023 (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the progress made in delivering the 2023/24 Capital Programme within the remit of the Committee be noted.
- (2) T H A T the use of delegated authority within the remit of the Committee, as summarised in paragraph 2.7 and detailed in the report at paragraphs 2.16 and 2.64, be noted.
- (3) T H A T the use of Emergency Powers within the remit of the Committee, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report, be noted.
- (4) T H A T the changes to the 2023/24 Capital Programme and future years Capital Programme within the remit of the Committee, as summarised in paragraphs 2.3 to 2.6 and detailed within the body of the report from paragraph 2.15 onwards, be noted.

Reason for recommendations

(1-4) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 7. ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT: QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE 2023/24 (DP) –

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the Quarter 3 performance results and progress towards achieving the Annual Delivery Plan 2023/24 commitments, as aligned to the Council's Corporate Plan Wellbeing Objectives within the remit of the Committee, be noted.

(2) T H A T the remedial actions to be taken to address areas of underperformance and to tackle the key challenges identified within the remit of the Committee be noted.

(3) T H A T Cabinet be advised of the concern of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee in relation to the constraints imposed by the UK Government in terms of the role of ward members in the composition of the Town Boards and use any opportunities which may arise to ensure effective local representation in relation to the UK Government's long-term plan for towns.

Reasons for recommendations

(1) Having regard to the contents of the report to ensure the Council clearly demonstrates the progress being made towards achieving its commitments.

(2) To ensure the Council is effectively assessing its performance in line with the requirement to meet its performance requirements, as outlined in the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, and reflecting the requirements of the Wellbeing of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 in that it maximises its contribution to achieving the Wellbeing Goals for Wales.

(3) To advise Cabinet of the concerns of the Scrutiny Committee in relation to the make up of the Town Boards.

AGENDA ITEM 8. SERVICE PLANS AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS TO DELIVER THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL'S ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN 2024/25 (DP) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the planned service activities for 2024/25, relating to the remit of the Committee and set out in Appendix A to the report, be endorsed.

(2) T H A T the proposed measures and service performance targets for 2024/25, relating to the remit of the Committee and set out in Appendix B to the report, be endorsed.

(3) T H A T Cabinet gives consideration to Scrutiny Chairs and Vice-Chairs meeting in order to consider how each Committee takes forward and supports the new reporting framework.

Reasons for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

(3) In order to advise Cabinet of the view of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee.