ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 14th January, 2025.

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The recording of the meeting is available <u>here</u>.

<u>Present</u>: Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby (Chair); Councillor C. Iannucci-Williams (Vice-Chair); Councillors C.E.A. Champion, P. Drake, A.M. Ernest, M.J. Hooper, J.M. Norman, E. Penn, J. Protheroe and S.T. Wiliam.

Also present: Councillors B. Brooks (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places), L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources), C.P. Franks, G. John (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing), B. Loveluck-Edwards, R. Sivagnanam (Cabinet Member for Community Engagement, Equalities and Regulatory Services) and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighborhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 10th December, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 4. BATHING WATER QUALITY AT DESIGNATED BATHING BEACHES IN THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the content of the report and the arrangements proposed to assist in improving bathing waters at designated bathing beaches in the Vale of Glamorgan, be noted.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the report, discussions at the meeting and following consideration by Committee Members concerning the arrangements proposed to assist in improving bathing waters at designated bathing beaches in the Vale of Glamorgan.

AGENDA ITEM 5. PROJECT ZERO UPDATE REPORT (DCR) -

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) THAT the progress detailed in this report and Appendix A in relation to the challenges within the Climate Change Challenge Plan and the work of the Public Services Board, be noted.
- (2) T H A T the RAG rating of progress from April 2024 to September 2024 in Appendix A, be noted.
- (3) THAT the Council's carbon emission for 2023/24, as reported to the Welsh Government at section 2.5, be noted.
- (4) T H A T, although the Committee noted the funding available in reserves and the projects awarded funding to date through a variety of routes, it also had requested more information from Cabinet about the strategic priorities and resources to be focused in relation to this area going forward.
- (5) THAT the updates on the Public Services Board work to tackle the climate and nature emergencies, be noted.
- (6) T H A T the Corporate Performance Indicator data for 2023/24 as relevant to Project Zero at Appendix C to the report, and relevant results from the Let's Talk Survey at Appendix D to the report, be noted.
- (7) T H A T the report and the comments made in relation to Recommendation
 (4) by the Committee be referred to Cabinet to be considered alongside the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee.
- (8) THAT it be recommend to Cabinet that the report be distributed to all elected Members, members of the Public Services Board and all Town and Community Councils for their information.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1-3) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (4) In order for Cabinet to consider the request made by Committee for more information about the strategic priorities and resources to be focused in relation to this area going forward.
- (5-6) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (7) To enable Cabinet to consider the comments of the Committee as part of its consideration of progress in delivering the Climate Change Challenge Plan.
- (8) To update all elected Members and other stakeholders on the arrangements in place to deliver Project Zero.

AGENDA ITEM 6. 3RD QUARTER SCRUTINY DECISION TRACKING OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND UPDATED WORK PROGRAMME SCHEDULE (DCR) –

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) THAT the status of the actions listed in Appendices A and B be agreed.
- (2) T H A T the updated Forward Work Programme Schedule for 2024/25 attached at Appendix C be approved and uploaded to the Council's website.
- (3) T H A T the Vale of Glamorgan Local Area Energy Plan be allocated to a specific meeting date, in the near future, as part of the Forward Work Programme Schedule for 2024/25.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) To maintain effective tracking of the Committee's recommendations.
- (2) For public information.
- (3) In order for the Committee to consider and scrutinise the Plan in the near future, on a set meeting date.

AGENDA ITEM 7. MATTER WHICH THE CHAIR HAD DECIDED WAS URGENT –

RESOLVED – T H A T the following matter which the Chair had decided was urgent for the reason given beneath the minute heading be considered.

AGENDA ITEM 7(i) CAR PARKING (REF) —

(Urgent by reason of the need to ensure that any recommendations by the Committee can be referred back to Cabinet for consideration, as part of the consultation process, with the aim to implement the relevant recommendations and measures outlined within the report (subject to any further recommendations, changes, suggested by the Committee and subsequently approved by Cabinet) by April 2025)

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the Car Parking reference and report be deferred to a Special Meeting of the Committee, to be held on Tuesday, 28th January, 2025.

Reason for recommendation

To ensure that there was sufficient time and opportunity for Committee Members, other Elected Members, Vale of Glamorgan residents and other stakeholders to be able to consider, scrutinise, participate, discuss and debate this issue, due to the considerable public, county wide, interest concerning the matter in question.