

HEALTHY LIVING AND SOCIAL CARE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held on 17th September, 2019.

Present: Councillor Mrs. R. Nugent-Finn (Chairman); Councillor N.C. Thomas (Vice-Chairman); Councillors Ms. J. Aviet, T.H. Jarvie, K.P. Mahoney and R.A. Penrose.

Also present: Councillors B.T. Gray (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health) and L.O. Rowlands.

280 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors Mrs. J.E. Charles, O. Griffiths, S.J. Griffiths and J.W. Thomas; and Councillor K.F. McCaffer (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Arts and Culture).

281 MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 15th July, 2019 be approved as a correct record.

282 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations were received.

283 PRESENTATION: FRAIL OLDER PERSONS PATHWAY AND FUTURE OF THE SAM DAVIES WARD AT BARRY HOSPITAL, CARDIFF AND VALE HEALTH BOARD –

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Len Richards (Chief Executive), Dr. John Butler (Clinical Director, Clinical Gerontology), Ms. Geraldine Johnston (Director of Operations, Medicine Clinical Board), Ms. Dianne Walker (Lead Nurse for Integrated Medicine) and Ms. Lisa Dunsford (Director of Operations for Primary, Community and Intermediate Care) to the meeting to provide a presentation to Members regarding the public engagement exercise on proposals to improve care for frail older people in the Vale of Glamorgan.

Mr. Richards began the presentation by thanking the Committee for the opportunity to present and advised that the consultation period had begun on 2nd September, 2019 and would conclude on 1st November, 2019.

Dr. Butler then advised that due to the demand for frailty services due to an increase of 31% for older people in the Vale of Glamorgan over the next 10 years, it was necessary for the University Health Board's models of care to adapt to meet this demand. Therefore, the proposed future model would focus on the best care for the individual with much earlier prevention to ensure that individuals had the best

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possible care in the most appropriate setting which was provided by the most appropriate person and by a multi-disciplinary team. Dr. Butler also added that individuals had informed the Health Board that they wished to be able to live well at home for as long as possible and that when they needed more support it would be available to them within their local community. It was also evident that the longer an individual remained in a hospital setting, then the more frail they would become and therefore more likely to access further health services on a long term basis.

With regards to the Sam Davies Ward at Barry Hospital, the proposal was to close the beds within the Ward, however this did not signal any form of downgrading of Barry Hospital as a whole. The Health Board's Shaping Our Future Wellbeing Strategy included the development of health and wellbeing centres and wellbeing hubs to provide community infrastructure to support the shift of care from hospital to community. In addition, Dr. Butler advised that the space in the Sam Davies Ward would be freed up to enable a range of new services to be developed and the relevant work was being led by the Vale of Glamorgan Integrated Health and Social Care Team resulting in several opportunities for people to shape what the future model looked like in the coming months through a separate engagement process.

In conclusion, Mr. Richards advised that the University Health Board would collate all the feedback received during the consultation period and share it with the Community Health Council (CHC). At the end of the engagement period, the Health Board would analyse and consider all the feedback and the views of the CHC to make a recommendation on the way forward to the Health Board at the end of November 2019.

In addition to the Chairman noting the points raised by Elected Members at the latest Full Council meeting, a Member added that significant concern was raised regarding the new proposed service model being heavily based at Llandough Hospital. The logic for the Llandough site being central to both the Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan was obvious, however the care currently offered within the Sam Davies Ward was a step down service which would not normally be accommodated within a main hospital setting and the journey to Llandough Hospital by road was extremely difficult. Therefore, the proposed model felt like a cost cutting exercise and it was hoped that residents would be able to access services that were currently offered in the University Hospital Wales and Llandough Hospital in their own community. In conclusion, the Member urged caution on the new proposal whilst referencing an historical maternity ward move to the Merthyr area which was not successful and that the model could be seen to be putting financial benefit over that of patients' health.

In response, Dr. Butler began by advising that historically step down services had been promoted clinically however it was now known that step down care was prolonging hospital contact which was encouraging frailty. Therefore, to ensure that individuals could return to their own bed as quickly as possible was a key objective going forward and the Health Board also wished to put a Geriatrician within the Vale Community Resource Service (VCRS).

Mr. Richards then wished to add that the primary objective of the proposed scheme was not to move the hospital ward but to invest in early intervention so that patients

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could access other community services more quickly and more effectively. It was well known that patients wished to convalesce within their own homes and therefore the proposed model was based on that premise.

Ms. Walker then wished to offer reassurance to the Committee in her professional capacity as a registered nurse for integrated medicine in that the new proposed model was designed around the patient to aid their recovery. The model also coincided with the University Health Board's need to improve on its frailty recovery pathway.

A Member then noted that all persons wished to have the best for patients accessing care however based on his personal experience with supporting family members to and from Llandough Hospital, patients were losing faith in centralising services and highlighted that a change in service not only affected the patient but also affected the wider family members who were offering support. Therefore, centralising services was not always the best option and in considering that Barry was the largest town in Wales it could accommodate facilities large enough to offer multiple required services. It was also concerning that the proposed model was moving to the site of Llandough Hospital as the site itself was already extremely cramped which supported the idea of returning the services to a community setting.

Following on from the Chairman's statement that the logistics of travelling to and from Llandough Hospital were very difficult for individuals, Ms. Dunsford advised that it was necessary for the Health Board to establish the exact services required within the community and although the Health Board had invested historically in this matter, further work was required. Work around the community had begun within Barry Hospital and was already underway, however consultation work was necessary going forward to ensure that required services were provided. However it would not be feasible for the Health Board to provide every service within every setting.

Picking up on the matter of wellbeing hubs, a Committee Member noted that locating a hub within the Cogan area was not a wise decision based on the area also being an extremely busy traffic area. This was particularly the case in the mornings.

The Vice-Chairman then highlighted that during the discussion held by Elected Members during the last Full Council meeting, all 47 Members had concerns regarding the proposal and with regards to location and noted that, from a Cardiff context, the Vale of Glamorgan was deemed as isolated. However, Barry was a central location to the Vale of Glamorgan as a whole. The Member went on to acknowledge that a park and ride service had been made available for patients wishing to access Llandough Hospital however it was concerning that the park and ride service was only accessible by first completing a very difficult journey to the pick-up car park location. The Member agreed that it was imperative for individuals to convalesce in their own homes and that longer hospital contact time was not a good situation however, step down care was a good service so questioned why the Health Board would wish to lose it within Barry Hospital. In conclusion, the Member enquired as to how many hospital beds would be available at Barry Hospital if the proposal were to progress and noted that community care was not a cheap model and therefore queried where the funding for the proposed model would originate.

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Ms. Johnson thanked Members for their feedback and advised that the Health Board were currently taking part in an engagement exercise regarding the proposed model and that all comments would be captured as part of the process and it was important that Councillors' comments were provided formally. In response, a Member then noted that the views provided by the Committee were not just the views of the individuals present but also those of the general public.

The Chairman then advised that the proposed model was considering the eventual closure of the Sam Davies Ward at Barry Hospital, however better promotion of the engagement exercise needed to be made in order to ensure that the comments of the general public were captured. The Chairman also advised that she would be present at all three engagement events that had been proposed and that there needed to be a huge amount of collaborative work between the Health Board and the Council on this matter.

As a point of clarification, a Member then asked what would happen to the space currently accommodating the Sam Davies Ward within Barry Hospital if the new proposal were to progress. In response, Ms. Dunsford advised that community based services would be added to the space based on the response from the public consultation exercise.

In conclusion, Mr. Richards advised that the Health Board currently worked extremely well with the Council and that officers had a good working relationship with the Head of Adult Services at the Council and as Members were aware the post was integrated with Health. The Health Board would also be happy to return to Committee following the end of the consultation to present the comments that had been collated and the Health Board's subsequent responses. Ultimately, the proposed model was about implementing earlier and quicker intervention which would result in home care to prevent frailty and save on long term care costs within a hospital setting.

The Chairman thanked the University Health Board for attending Committee and for providing their presentation and endorsed Mr. Richard's suggestion of the Health Board returning to Committee to present the findings of the engagement exercise in the future.

RECOMMENDED – T H A T both the comments collated as part of the public engagement exercise on frail older persons' pathway care as well as the University Health Board's responses to the collated comments be presented to Committee by the University Health Board following the end of the public consultation exercise.

Reason for recommendation

To ensure that Committee Members are kept up to date regarding the results of the public consultation exercise.

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284 ANNUAL CORPORATE SAFEGUARDING REPORT: 2018/19 (REF) –

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Ian Phillips from the Wales Audit Office (WAO) who had kindly attended the meeting to offer advice and answer any questions as appropriate.

The Director of Social Services then introduced a reference from the Cabinet meeting of 29th July, 2019 regarding the Annual Corporate Safeguarding Report: 2018/19.

The Officer began by advising that there was corporate responsibility to ensure that there were effective arrangements in place for safeguarding children and adults who required specific Council services and the Annual Report provided an overview of the Corporate Safeguarding Group work plan and other safeguarding activities taking place across the Local Authority.

Historically, safeguarding activity by different parts of the Council had been reported separately to Cabinet, relevant Scrutiny Committees and the Corporate Management Team. Attached at Appendix 1 was the Annual Report that brought together safeguarding activity undertaken by Social Services, Learning and Skills, the Managing Director's Office and Resources, Environment and Housing Directorates and also an overview from the Corporate Safeguarding Group. The Officer advised that this provided a more holistic representation of safeguarding activity across the Council as a whole and was relevant to many aspects of the Council's work.

The WAO undertook a follow up review in February 2019 of their 2014 review, and issued their final report in May 2019, which the Officer highlighted was attached at Appendix 2. The purpose of the review was to seek assurance that the Council had effective corporate arrangements in place and had addressed the findings and recommendations from the 2014 report and the subsequent recommendations made.

Mr. Phillips then added that the 2018/19 review found that overall the Council had implemented most of the previous recommendations and proposals for improvement which was positive however, some areas still needed further attention. The WAO had therefore identified five proposals for improvement to strengthen aspects of the Council's safeguarding arrangements summarised as follows:

- Strengthen the Council's Corporate Safeguarding Policy;
- Strengthen the Council's contractual versions in relation to the safeguarding training requirements of third parties;
- Improve the Council's approach to safeguarding training;
- For the Council to consider producing further performance measures to enhance the Annual Safeguarding Report and aid transparency; and
- For the Council to develop a central system for recording and monitoring volunteer information, including any training records and Disclosure and Barring Service Checks for volunteers.

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At this point in proceedings, the Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health wished to advise that with regards to the first proposal for strengthening the Council's Corporate Safeguarding Policy, clarification had now been established regarding the safeguarding roles and responsibilities of the Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health and the Member Champion for Safeguarding, as he now performed both roles and was also a member on the Corporate Safeguarding Group.

A Member then referred to the Corporate Safeguarding Vale of Glamorgan Annual Report for April 2018 to March 2019 which was attached at Appendix 1 to the Committee papers, and in particular to page 35 of the document which referred to the third improvement proposal from the WAO regarding the Council's approach to safeguarding training and the mandatory completion of Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence (Wales) Act 2015, and noted that the WAO's suggestion was that training be accelerated and questioned how the Council planned to ensure that this would take place. In response, Mr. Phillips advised that the specific training content would be relevant to both men and women and that the recommendation was a nationally promoted WAO recommendation.

A Member then referred to paragraph 10 on page 4 of the same document which set out that 2018/19 had seen a decrease in the numbers of children subject to child protection registration and that this had been identified through analysis of quarterly performance data by the Council's Operational Manager for Safeguarding. The Member noted that the overall report was pleasing and that the evident decrease in numbers of children subject to child protection registration was evidence of the good work taking place by Council officers.

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the Cabinet reference, appended report and appendices be noted.

Reason for recommendation

To ensure that Members are aware of recent developments in corporate arrangements for safeguarding.

285 RESHAPING SERVICES – DAY TIME OPPORTUNITIES FOR OLDER PEOPLE (REF) –

The Head of Adult Services presented the reference from Cabinet, from the Cabinet meeting on the 29th July 2019, regarding the Reshaping Services report for Day Time Opportunities for Older People as part of the formal consultation process on the matter.

The day service provision for older people in the Vale of Glamorgan had been identified as one of the Council's Reshaping Services projects and a target of £50k was included in the Council's revenue budget savings proposals for 2019/20.

Adult Services currently supported three day centres for older people assessed by the department as eligible for the service; all of which provided a midday meal, a range of social activities and transport to and from the centre:

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- Rondel House (Barry) was operated by Adult Services, providing a 5 day per week service for up to 25 older people and people living with dementia in mid and eastern Vale;
- St. Johns (Barry Island) was operated by Carers Trust, providing a 6 day per week extended hours service for up to 14 older people with dementia in mid and eastern Vale; and
- Western Vale (Gathering Place, St. Athan) was operated by Hafod, providing a 5 day per week service for up to 10 older people living and people living with dementia in the Western Vale.

A Project Group had been set up to explore the best way to maintain a quality service for older people and people living with dementia whilst making the required efficiency savings and the Group would develop and consult upon a model of day time opportunities.

Following a comprehensive consultation exercise with current service users of the day centres, staff employed in the day centres and wider stakeholders, the Project Group would develop a Day Opportunities Strategy to inform the future day time opportunities for older people and people living with dementia in the Vale of Glamorgan.

At the Cabinet meeting, the Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health had advised that Options C, E and F on Appendix 1 of the Cabinet report favoured an enhanced service at Rondel House and were recommended for further consideration and that following the results of the consultation review, a further report be presented to Cabinet in due course.

As part of the consultation exercise, the Head of Adult Services advised that an opportunity was available for Members to visit both Rondel House (Barry) and St. Johns (Barry Island) on Monday, 30th September and that further details would be provided to Members following the meeting.

A Member then stated that it would be useful for the Committee to see the outcomes of the consultation exercise and suggested that a further report be put to the Committee prior to a Cabinet decision being made on the matter. Following which, the Vice-Chairman encouraged all Members to take up the opportunity to visit the day service centres before the results of the consultation were presented back to the Committee.

In conclusion, the Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health advised that the consultation process was still open and that the Cabinet wished there to be a long term consultation exercise for this matter and that all comments would be considered.

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T both the Cabinet reference, appended report and its appendices be noted.

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(2) T H A T the results of the consultation review concluding on 4th October, 2019 be presented to Committee.

Reasons for recommendations

(1) To ensure Elected Member oversight of the consultation and engagement with service users.

(2) To ensure Committee Members consider the findings of the consultation review prior to a final decision of Cabinet.

286 CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE SERVICES ANNUAL PLACEMENT REVIEW (DSS) –

The Head of Children and Young People Services introduced the Operational Manager with responsibility for Placements who presented the fourth report of its kind to Committee to outline the actions taken by Children and Young People Services during 2018/19 and the first quarter of 2019/20 with regard to placement provision for Children Looked After (CLA) and the priority actions for 2019/20.

The Operational Manager advised that where children and young people could not be supported to remain within their immediate families and the need to become looked after was identified, the Council would provide a range of suitable placements. Formal kinship fostering arrangements would be explored as the preferred alternative arrangement where it was necessary for the Local Authority to share parental responsibility or intervene in managing risk and protecting children.

Where a child's needs could not be adequately met through kinship arrangements, the majority would have their needs best met in a substitute family, preferably with in-house foster carers and, if not, with Independent Fostering Agency carers wherever possible living within the Vale of Glamorgan. Residential care placements were made only where the complexity and challenge of a child or young person's needs meant that they were unable to live within a family setting or where a young person was subject to a Court Ordered Secure Remand.

The Officer referred Members to the Children and Young People Services Annual Placement Review contained at Appendix 1 to the report, which set out the context, aims and objectives, placement profiles, placement budget, 2018/19 activity undertaken and future opportunities of the service.

The Officer then drew Members' attention to the various tables contained within the Annual Placement Review document and began by referring to the placement profile table which provided information about the number and nature of placements on a quarterly basis during 2018/19 and the first quarter of 2019/20. Both the table and previous figures demonstrated that there had been a significant increase in kinship care from 29 in March, 2015 to 70 as at 27th July, 2019. However, there were early signs to suggest that these figures were beginning to stabilise and may decrease in the next year linked to the Local Authority's efforts to support family care without the need for children to be looked after.

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The Officer then moved on to the table on page 6 of the document which provided the currently available national data on the actual numbers of CLA in neighbouring Authorities over the last five years up until March 2018.

In referring to the placement budget table contained on page 7 of the document, the Officer noted that the overall external placement budget for CLA was overspent by £997,583 which was an increase on the previous year where by the 2017/18 budget was overspent by £565,000. The largest overspend was against CLA Children's Residential Placements of £786,539. The Officer also noted that the remand placements remained an unpredictable area and during the last year, the Council had had five children on remand either in a secure unit or Youth Offending Institutes for differing periods. The average costs of such placements could be in excess of £5,300 per week.

Moving on to activities undertaken during 2018/19, the Officer advised that a number of initiatives had been implemented to address the key issues / objectives in relation to external placement audit, internal foster carer recruitment strategy, joint budget and Revocation of Care Orders as detailed within the Annual Placement Review document at Appendix 1.

In conclusion, the Officer advised that the following opportunities had been identified based on an overall analysis and in order to manage associated risks and issues:

- To reduce the use of independent fostering agencies for placements through the foster carer recruitment project which includes a target of eight newly recruited foster carers and a reduction of four independent foster placements during 2019/20;
- To minimise movement into residential care; limiting the numbers coming in and the length of stay;
- To utilise local residential provision to return CLA to local lower cost residential placements where possible and to step children down from residential to foster care where appropriate;
- To continue to address the overall CLA population with a particular focus on the increase in kinship placements and placements with parents, through the use of Revocation of Care Orders and use of Special Guardianship Orders. This CLA reduction work stream coincides with the objectives of the First Minister and the Children Looked After Reduction Expectations delivered by Welsh Government to reduce the overall CLA population in Wales;
- To work in partnership with Health to offer increased therapeutic support to CAL and foster carers to promote placement stability and prevent placements breaking down and leading to more costly placements.

In referring to the recommendations within the report, a Member moved that an amendment be made to Recommendation (2) so that a report on activity and progress could be presented to Members on a more regular basis.

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the contents of the report be noted.

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(2) T H A T the Committee receive regular updates through existing reporting arrangements, including the monthly budget programme report and six monthly activity reports reflecting work undertaken beginning in March 2020.

(3) T H A T the Committee receive a further Annual Placement Review Report in September 2020.

(4) T H A T the report be referred to the Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee.

Reasons for recommendations

(1) To provide Members with an opportunity to exercise oversight of this key statutory function.

(2) To ensure Members are kept up to date with the relevant issues associated with children's placements.

(3) To ensure Members have regular opportunity to review the utilisation of placements for children.

(4) To ensure Members can consider these issues in association with children's educational needs.

287 THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN LEISURE STRATEGY (DEH) –

The Operational Manager for Neighbourhood Services, Healthy Living and Performance presented the report, the purpose of which was to seek the Committee's approval for the Vale of Glamorgan Leisure Strategy to be forwarded to Cabinet for approval.

Following comments raised at the Scrutiny Committee meeting on 6th November, 2018, which were subsequently endorsed by Cabinet on 17th December, 2018, the draft Leisure Strategy had been extensively revised by an officer working group. The revised draft had been streamlined and all proposed actions had been challenged to ensure they were relevant and achievable. The officer also added that the revised draft Strategy had been edited to be more user friendly.

The Officer began by drawing Members' attention to paragraph 3.3 of the report which itemised the issues raised by the Committee when the Leisure Strategy was discussed on 6th November, 2018 and the subsequent resolutions in the latest draft.

Issue	Resolution
Single use Sports Grounds	The Strategy did not identify single use sports clubs as being the only opportunity for asset transfers. The emphasis was still in terms of reducing subsidy to facilitate sustainable provision.

	<p>A merger between Bowls clubs in the Barry area had unfortunately fallen through however, the clubs had been very co-operative during the process and hoped to continue operating on an individual basis.</p> <p>Efforts will now move on to other sports clubs, such as Football, Cricket and Rugby with relevant reports being presented to the committee in the future.</p>
Fees and Charges at odds with increasing participation	<p>The Strategy recommended a more targeted approach to fees and charges, aligned to health and wellbeing outcomes rather than blanket increases in the future.</p> <p>A report on the matter would be presented to Committee in the new year which would document the work taken place to date and identify any opportunity to streamline costs.</p>
Railway Walk, Penarth	<p>The matter was only intended to be an example of where an area could be used as a safe cycling space. This had now been removed as a separate action within the Strategy. Safe routes for cycling remained a priority in the Strategy.</p>
Overall Vision of the Strategy	<p>The overall vision had been refocused following comments received at the previous meeting.</p> <p>This was documented on page 4 of the Strategy document attached as Appendix A to the report.</p>
Marketing	<p>New marketing initiatives, both directly from the Council and its main Leisure contractor, were presently being implemented and would continue to be progressed. The Strategy now focused on developing marketing opportunities that would seek to increase participation such as the successful joint working partnership with Run4Wales that had implemented the highly successful Barry 10k.</p>
Inclusion of Play in the Strategy	<p>Play was now identified clearly in the Strategy with reference in the action plan to the Play Sufficiency Plan.</p> <p>A report on this matter was scheduled for the next Committee Meeting in October 2019.</p>
Use of Technology	<p>Whilst there was not a specific action point related to technology the use of new technology such as 'fitbits', digital marketing and fitness trackers was a cross cutting theme that would impact on various actions within the Strategy.</p>

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In relation to the issue of single use sports grounds, a Member referred to the historically given figure in that the savings would be around £400,000 and that bowls clubs would be the first to be rolled out. On this point, the Member asked if the £400k was a breakdown of £25k for each of the bowls clubs within the Vale of Glamorgan and noted that this figure seemed much higher than the actual maintenance costs of the clubs which could therefore be misleading to the general public.

In response, the Officer advised that the figure of £25k was worked out by the Council's accountant on the cost of green maintenance, however the Council could not account for the clubs' other maintenance costs. The Officer also advised that the £400k was divided between the eight bowls clubs at £25k for each club which reflected the Council's costs of maintaining the clubs and not the desired saving figure as, for example, two of the bowls clubs operated artificial greens which would have a slightly lower maintenance cost. The Officer acknowledged the Member's point that the clubs' own costs could be as little as £7k, however he was obliged to action upon the figures provided by the Council's accountant.

The Member then apprised Committee of his recent experience of a dog enclosure that had been set up by a neighbouring Local Authority which was very impressive and a well-received facility. The Member advised that the facility may not have been a significant cost to establish and could be considered a good alternative use for sports grounds and therefore suggested that the Council conduct research into the possibility of establishing dog enclosures within the Vale of Glamorgan.

A Member then wished to enquire whether the bowls club at Cowbridge had been offered to Cowbridge Town Council as a Community Asset Transfer (CAT) and whether the bowls club at Rhoose was funded by a precept from Rhoose Community Council. The Officer advised that Rhoose residents did not pay a precept to the Rhoose Bowls Club and a decision was made historically by the Local Authority to give the opportunity to the bowls clubs themselves, in the first instance, to take over ownership. It had been previously suggested to the bowls clubs that they approach their Town and Community Councils.

A Member then requested an update with regards to the Holm View Leisure Centre in Barry, to which the Officer advised that there continued to be a limited service available at the site and that Legacy Leisure was looking to withdraw from the premises, however negotiations would be concluding within the next six to eight weeks, following which the Council would release a statement on the proposed plans for the site.

The Vice-Chairman then wished to ask if the Belle Vue Bowls Club in Penarth had engaged with the Council. The Officer advised that a meeting would be taking place with the Club in the near future, however consideration was only being given to the transfer of the green and not the Club premises. Concerns had been raised with the Club over their membership numbers, however progress was being made.

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RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the changes made to the draft Vale of Glamorgan Leisure Strategy as outlined in the report be noted.
- (2) T H A T the draft Vale of Glamorgan Leisure Strategy be presented to Cabinet for approval.
- (3) T H A T a cost and availability analysis as to the use of dog enclosures in county and town parks within the Vale of Glamorgan be undertaken.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1&2) To allow Cabinet to formally adopt the Vale of Glamorgan Leisure Strategy.
- (3) To ensure the Council has adequately assessed the feasibility of dog enclosure facilities within the Vale of Glamorgan.

288 1ST QUARTER SCRUTINY DECISION TRACKING OF
RECOMMENDATIONS AND UPDATED WORK PROGRAMME SCHEDULE
2019/20 (MD) –

The Democratic and Scrutiny Services Officer presented the first quarter scrutiny decision tracking of recommendations and updated work programme schedule 2019/20 to the Committee to advise Members of progress in relation to the Scrutiny Committee's recommendations and confirm the updated work programme schedule for publication.

The Officer began by referring Members to Appendices A and B to the report which set out the historical recommendations of the Scrutiny Committee and Members were requested to review progress against each recommendation, to assess whether further action may be required, and to ensure the required action was undertaken and to confirm which recommendations would be agreed as completed. Only two actions were labelled as ongoing due to referrals to future meetings that had not yet taken place.

Members were also requested to confirm approval of the updated Scrutiny Committee work programme schedule attached at Appendix C to the report, it being noted that the schedule was a proposed list of items for consideration and may be subject to change depending on prevailing circumstances.

RECOMMENDED –

- (1) T H A T the views of the Committee on the status of the actions listed in Appendices A and B to the report be approved and the following actions agreed as completed:

18 June 2019	
Min. No. 47 – Annual Report of the Director of Social Services 2018-2019 - Challenge Version (DSS) – Recommended that the report be noted and the comments made at the Committee be reflected in the final report.	Final report version presented to Cabinet on 15 th July 2019 including Scrutiny Committee's comments (confirmation at para 2.4) (Min No. C48 refers) Completed
Min. No. 49 – Support for Carers in the Vale of Glamorgan (DSS) – Recommended (5) That the Committee receives a report on support for Carers in the Vale of Glamorgan on an annual basis.	Report added to Committee's forward work programme as an annual item for June 2010. Completed
Min. No. 50 – 4th Quarter Scrutiny Decision Tracking of Recommendations and Proposed Work Programme Schedule 2019/20 (MD) – Recommended (2) That the revised Vale of Glamorgan Leisure Strategy be added to the Committee's Work Programme and the status deemed as completed as a result. (3) That the Forward Work Programme be amended as outlined above and uploaded to the Council's website including the additions agreed at the meeting.	(2) Added to work programme schedule. Completed (3) Forward work programme updated and uploaded to the Council's website. Completed
05 February 2019	
Min. No. 718 - Corporate Safeguarding Mid-Year Report (REF) – Recommended (2) That congratulations be sent to those staff nominated at the Safeguarding Awards evening held on 16 th November, 2018.	Congratulations were passed on to the Vale employees who received awards and preparations are now underway for the next Awards evening. Completed

(2) T H A T the updated work programme schedule attached at Appendix C be approved and uploaded to the Council's website.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) To maintain effective tracking of the Committee's recommendations.
- (2) For information.