

# SOCIAL SERVICES, HOUSING AND COMMUNITY SAFETY SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

2.00 PM THURSDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 2024

MULTI-LOCATION MEETING - COUNCIL CHAMBER, PORT TALBOT & MICROSOFT TEAMS

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#### **PART A**

- 1. Chair's Announcements
- 2. Declarations of Interest
- 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting (Pages 5 8)
  - 12 July 2024

#### <u>Part 1</u>

- 4. To consider items from the Cabinet Forward Work Programme
- (a) Disabled Facilities Grant Options Appraisal

#### Part 2

5. To consider items from the Scrutiny Committee Forward Work

#### Programme

 No scrutiny committee Forward Work Programme items to be considered.

#### Part 3

- 6. Performance Monitoring
  - No items for consideration

## Part 4

- 7. Selections of items for future scrutiny (*Pages 45 64*)
  - Cabinet Forward Work Programme
  - Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme
- 8. Urgent Items

Any urgent items at the discretion of the Chairperson pursuant to Section 100BA(6)(b) of the Local Government Act 1972 (as amended).

9. Access to meetings

Access to Meetings to resolve to exclude the public for the following item(s) pursuant to Section 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972 and the relevant exempt paragraphs of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the above Act.

# **PART B**

- 10. Scrutiny of Private Items
- (a) Initial Business Case for the Development of a Triage Centre (Exempt under paragraph 14)

# K.Jones Chief Executive

Civic Centre Port Talbot

Friday, 13 September 2024

## **Committee Membership:**

**Chairperson:** Councillor C.Galsworthy

Vice Councillor H.C.Clarke

**Chairperson:** 

**Councillors:** H.Davies, O.S.Davies, S.E.Freeguard, J.Jones,

A.R.Lockyer, A.Lodwig, P.D.Richards, D.Thomas, D.Whitelock and C.Williams

#### **Notes:**

- (1) If Committee Members or non-Committee Members wish to have relevant items put on the agenda for future meetings, then please notify the Chief Executive/Chair eight days before the meeting.
- (2) If non-Committee Members wish to attend for an item of interest, then prior notification needs to be given (by 12.00 noon on the day before the meeting). Non-Committee Members may speak but not vote, or move or second any motion.



Social Services, Housing and Community Safety Scrutiny Committee

(Multi-Location Meeting - Council Chamber, Port Talbot & Microsoft Teams)

Members Present: 12 July 2024

Chairperson: Councillor C.Galsworthy

Vice Chairperson: Councillor H.C.Clarke

**Councillors**: H.Davies, O.S.Davies, S.E.Freeguard,

P.D.Richards and C.Williams

Officers In Attendance

A.Jarrett and P.Chivers

**Cabinet Invitees:** Councillors S.Harris and J.Hale

# 1. Chair's Announcements

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

# 2. **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest received.

# 3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

The minutes of the meetings held on 21 March 2024 and 18 April 2024 were approved as true and accurate records.

## 4. Annual Report 2023/2024

The committee noted and endorsed the Annual Report 2023/24 and commended to Council.

## 5. To consider items from the Cabinet FWP

There were no public Cabinet Forward Work Programme items to be considered.

The Chair advised members that the items that were previously scheduled to come to this meeting will be considered in September.

# 6. <u>To consider items from the Scrutiny Committee Forward Work</u> Programme

There were no Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme items to be considered.

## 7. Performance Monitoring

No items for consideration.

## 8. Selections of items for future scrutiny

The Chair reminded members that this was the first scrutiny committee meeting of the new scrutiny model adopted by council. The Chair drew members attention to various monitoring and update reports that have been added to the Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme, for consideration at future meetings.

Members were given the opportunity to request additional items from the Cabinet Forward Work Programme for consideration on the Scrutiny Committee Forward Work Programme.

The Director of Social Services, Health and Housing confirmed that Hillside reports could be brought to the committee quarterly.

Members requested data relating to children who have been readmitted onto the Child Protection register.

The Chair confirmed that this data would be included in the Quarterly Performance Monitoring reports.

The forward work programme was noted.

# 9. **Urgent Items**

There were no urgent items.

Cllr. Charlotte Galsworthy CHAIRPERSON





#### **NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNCIL**

# Social Services, Housing and Community Safety Scrutiny Committee

19th September 2024

#### MATTER FOR CONSIDERATION

**WARDS AFFECTED: ALL** 

#### DISABLED FACILITIES GRANT OPTIONS APPRAISAL

#### **Purpose of Report**

To allow for pre-decision consideration of the Disabled Facilities Grant Options Appraisal Report by scrutiny members.

# **Background**

The scrutiny committee have selected this item for pre-decision scrutiny before it is presented to Cabinet on 2nd October 2024 for approval.

# **Financial Impact**

Not applicable.

## **Integrated Impact Assessment**

Not applicable.

# **Valleys Communities Impacts**

Not applicable.

#### **Workforce Impacts**

Not applicable.

## **Legal Impacts**

Not applicable.

## **Risk Management Impacts**

Not applicable.

## **Crime and Disorder Impacts**

Not applicable.

# Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence Impacts

Not applicable.

#### Consultation

There is no requirement under the constitution for consultation on this item.

#### Recommendations

Following scrutiny, members to support recommendation outlined in the draft Cabinet report.

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1 -

Draft Cabinet Report - Disabled Facilities Grant Options Appraisal

## **List of Background Papers**

Not appliable.

#### **Officer Contract**

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#### **NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNCIL**

#### **CABINET**

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024

# Report of the Head of Housing and Communities – Chelé Zandra Howard

**Matter for Decision** 

Wards Affected: All Wards

## **Disabled Facilities Grant Options Appraisal**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

To present the options appraisal report to members following the Update report of March 2024, in respect of the Disabled Facility Grant ("DFG") service.

## **Executive Summary**

Post pandemic, there have been a number of changes that has directly impacted on both demand for DFGs and the utilisation of DFGs for those with more complex adaptation needs.

One of the most significant changes impacting on the utilisation of DFGs is that the cost of materials and labour has increased considerably. In some cases, the cost of undertaking adaptation works far exceeds the statutory maximum DFG limit of £36k, resulting in applications being cancelled and the applicant not receiving essential adaptations.

Alongside rising costs, the removal of the means test for small and medium sized works has resulted in a notable rise in people becoming eligible for a DFG.

The available budget for DFGs is now being committed earlier in the year and long waiting lists have been building. This is anticipated to continue based on projected demand and costs.

#### **Background**

The capital budget for DFGs, as set by the Capital Programme Steering Group ("CPSG"), is £3m per annum. It has been at this level for over 10 years, £1.4m was carried over from the COVID-19 period and has now been fully spent.

Neath Port Talbot County Borough Council ("the Council") also receives an ENABLE award of £280k from Welsh Government (WG), £90k of this is a "top up" for agreeing to remove the means test for small and medium sized grants.

The DFG budget is fully spent every year and demand far exceeds the amount of funding available, with the budget becoming committed by the end of September/October. Once the budget is committed for the year, a waiting list for the following financial year then begins to build.

Demand for adaptations funded via a DFG is rising, a notable amount of additional demand was created due to the removal of the means test for small and medium sized adaptations, which was agreed by the Council following a request from WG.

During the 2021/22 financial year, 146 applications were received for small and medium sized jobs where the applicant was not on a passporting benefit and therefore needed a means test before proceeding any further. Of these, 19 applicants cancelled before the means test was undertaken and an additional 113 applicants cancelled

after the means test, with only 14 applicants continuing to the on-site stage.

The below shows the demand for DFGs in the last three financial years:

## For financial year April 22 - March 23

- 280 jobs were completed and certified on site, of these 26 were extensions.
- 254 jobs were small and medium sized works.
- Out of the 254 jobs completed, 89 would have had a means test pre 1<sup>st</sup> August 2022 and likely to have cancelled, this equated to a value of £667,500.

## For Financial year April 2023- March 2024

- 293 jobs were completed and certified, of these 25 were extensions.
- 270 jobs were small and minor works.
- Out of the 270 jobs completed, 165 would have had means tests pre 1<sup>st</sup> august 2022 and likely to have cancelled, this equated to a value of £1,237,500.

## Start of Financial Year 2024/25

- At the start of FY 24/25 there were 390 applicants on the waiting list.
- Previous years the average number on the waiting list at the start of the year was around 70 applicants.

This years waiting list compromised of the combination of works as stated below:

- 225 Shower conversions x average cost £7500 = £1,687,500
- 3 Extensions x average costs x £36000 = £108,000
- 162 specialist equipment jobs x average costs x £2000 = £324,000
- Total value of waiting list £2,119,500

#### The works

Shower conversions - Are generally where the bath is taken out and the bathroom reconfigured and a level access shower tray, shower doors and a thermostatically controlled shower are installed, very often a Stairlifts would also be installed at the same time.

Extensions – DFG extensions can vary from a ground floor WC or shower room, to a single or double bedroom ground floor extension and the largest variation is a double bedroom with attached shower room.

Specialist equipment – These are primarily Stairlifts, but can also be vertical lifts, ceiling track hoist, and wash dry type toilets.

## Applications live in the system as at 1st April:

- 128 shower conversions x 7500 = £960,000
- 22 extensions x £36,000 = £792,000
- 27 specialist equipment x £2000 = £54,000

The below table highlights the cost pressure that demand has on the available budget, resulting in the Council already being in a position of having a waiting list for 25/26:

Total value of works live in the system	£1,806,000
Total value of works in the waiting list	£2,119,500

Total combined value	£3,925,500
Available budget	£2,680,000
Committed budget of FY 25/26 at 1st April 2024	£1,245,50

#### **Demand**

Over the past few years, the waiting list going into a new financial year averages around 70 - 80 applications, as stated above the waiting list at the start of FY 24/25 was 390 applications and £1,245,50 of the 25/26 budget is already committed.

This increased demand is a combination of more people needing adaptations and the removal of the means test for small and medium sized works.

The waiting list at the start of the financial year had 3 new referrals for extensions, this is unusually low, the service would normally have between 20 and 40 extensions in the process at any time.

This low number is due to the limited budget and maximum grant amount, extensions are now in most cases costing more than the grant limit of £36,000. When an applicant contacts the Council, they are made aware of this and also made aware they will be required to pay any over and above the £36k, many are dropping out of the process at this stage. When the Occupational Therapist (OT) visits the applicant they remind them of the financial limits, again some drop out at this stage.

Due to the financial restrictions, the OT has a discussion with the applicant to come up with a compromise and an alternative to an extension, by recommending a smaller adaptation. This isn't ideal as its not fully addressing the required need for the client, this could also result in additional care needs being put in place and possibly an additional grant in the future.

#### **Cost of Works**

The cost of building materials continues to rise, albeit some prices have now plateaued, this has had a significant impact on the type of works that can be fully covered by a DFG, especially extensions, given that the maximum grant that can be awarded is £36k.

A shower extension 5 years ago cost around £15k, but is now in the region of £30k for exactly the same size and specification, a bedroom extension 5 years ago would cost around £35k but is now around £50k and a bedroom/shower room extension can cost £60k+. Shower conversions, Stairlifts and other specialist equipment have also risen in cost, all resulting in less work.

If a DFG application is not pursued or cancelled due to the cost of works, it leaves the applicant in a position of still needing these adaptations and this could have a number of different consequences, such as hospital admission from falls, delayed hospital discharge and care services refusing to continue to deliver care due to unsafe areas.

Currently the Service has no funding to pay the costs of adaptations in excess of the £36k DFG limit. This means that the applicant/landlord needs to fund the excess amount, which could be up to £30k for the larger jobs.

Due to increasing demands for adaptations and the rising costs of materials, as indicated above, the DFG budget will be committed earlier and earlier, which is going to result in people waiting years for the adaptations they need.

This brings its own consequences, as the longer someone waits the more chance their condition will deteriorate resulting in them requiring a larger adaptation from when they were first assessed. They may also need additional care services while on the waiting list or be admitted to hospital/care home bringing additional costs to the authority and health service.

#### **Summary of Issues**

#### Rising demand

Increased demand for adaptations plus removal of means test has resulted in many more people qualifying for a grant which has increased demand and length of waiting list.

## Cost of works increasing and £36,000 limit.

Cost of works has increased significantly post COVID-19, which has had a significant effect on costs of extensions resulting in most extensions costing over £36,000.

## **Proposals**

Mitigation of rising demand - Reintroduce the means test for small and medium sized DFG's:

- It is proposed that the Council reintroduce the means testing for small and medium sized grants, this will significantly reduce the waiting list and time.
- The removal of the means test arose from a request by WG and is not currently a legal requirement. As such, the Council has a legal ability to reintroduce the means test. It should be noted that a reintroduction may bring about opposition from WG who were keen for Local Authorities to remove the test.
- Officers are aware of at least two other Local Authorities that are also considering a reintroduction of the means test due to the increased demand they are seeing.
- If an applicant has moved from the waiting list into the formal application process then they can proceed without a means test. Those on the waiting list that haven't progressed to the formal stage will be notified that a means test will be carried out at application stage.

- An advantage of reintroducing the means test is that the funding is used where people need it the most, as those that have the means to carry out the works would have to fund it themselves.
- The waiting list system is in date order, resulting in people who have the means to do the works themselves having the work done before those that do not have the financial ability to carry out the work themselves.
- If agreed to reintroduce the means test, the service policy tools can be updated to reflect this and be submitted to cabinet for approval and a date set to implement the change.
- This proposal is likely to reduce the waiting list by approx. 150 applications.

Mitigation for cost of works - Implement an additional discretionary budget to pay for costs over and above the £36k:

- It is proposed to introduce a maximum £10,000 discretionary budget for works over £36,000.
- The average additional cost is around £10,000 per job.
- It is proposed to fund a discretionary budget using the DFG repayments received when the 10 year grant conditions are broken, currently the repayments are not recycled back into DFGs.
- Below are the total amount of DFG repayments since 2020:
  - 23/24 20 payments- £107,421.27
  - 22/23 34 payments £150,851.46
  - 21/22 44 payments £187,541.24
  - 20/21 41 Payments £162,173.47

- To ensure the money is used in the most effective way it is proposed that it carries a lifetime charge that will be put on the property, ensuring that the full amount of the discretionary top up will be repaid when the house is sold. These repayments can then be recycled back into the discretionary budget.
- As RSL's do not sell their properties, a lifetime charge would not be possible for adaptations to social housing, therefore top up discretionary funding would only be available for private properties and private landlords, with RSL's being responsible to fully fund any amount over £36k.
- Cost of the works will be as accurately costed as possible prior to works starting on site, the client will be made aware of these costs and conditions and notified that they will be expected to fund all costs over the £10,000 discretionary budget.
- This will allow for small extensions to continue, offering the much needed facilities that the applicants require.

## Other Options Considered but not Recommended

<u>Priority lists – Implement a waiting list based on an applicant's priority</u> of need:

• This would result in a waiting list based on the OT's assessment of priority. This type of system is likely to have little impact, as the majority of applicants have equal levels of need.

## Extension options – Policy to not fund extensions:

- A number of Welsh Local Authorities have put in place a policy to no longer approve extensions for a DFG.
- Implementing such a policy would leave vulnerable applicants without access to a needed adaptation.

- Due to the cost of works, the demand for extensions will naturally be reduced and only a few small extensions will progress to on site. As such this proposal is unlikely to have a notable impact.
- OTs already look for alternatives to extensions and so only those that absolutely require an extension are put forward for one.

## Using DFG budget to fund top up.

- An option could be to consider reducing the amount of funding set aside for DFGs and re-align this money for DFG 'top ups' based on the above principles.
- This would make the situation worse by reducing the available budget.
- Given that the repayment fund has not been allocated against an area of spend, utilising this funding rather than the money already allocated to DFG will have a more noticeable positive impact.

## **Summary of Recommended Proposals**

As stated above, demand and waiting lists continue to substantially grow due to more people needing adaptations post COVID-19, plus the removal of the means test meaning more people now qualify for a grant. This additional demand is far higher than the available budget and a large proportion of the waiting list now consists of people who have the means to carry out the works themselves.

In order to mitigate this additional demand and use the grant funding to prioritise those most in need, it is proposed to reintroduce the means test for small and medium sized grants.

Due to the rising cost of works the £36,000 grant limit is no longer enough to fully fund extensions, although there has been less demand for extensions due to the financial limit, there are still applicants who

need a ground floor extension, in order to support this and to make them happen, it is proposed to introduce a £10,000 discretionary budget funded by the DFG repayments.

This discretionary top up will also come with a lifetime charge on the property so the authority will always have this money back to recycle into further projects.

#### **Financial Impacts**

The total amount of funding available for DFGs in 2024/25 is £3m, this has been a standstill position for a number of years.

An additional sum of £100,000 per annum is requested for the discretionary top up fund for assessed works that cost over £36,000. This funding will come from the DFG monies returned to the Council when the 10 year grant conditions are broken.

#### **Integrated Impact Assessment**

A first stage impact assessment has been undertaken to assist the Council in discharging its legislative duties (under the Equality Act 2010, the Welsh Language Standards (No.1) Regulations 2015, the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Environment (Wales) Act 2016. The first stage impact assessment has indicated that a more in-depth assessment was required.

An overview of the Integrated Impact Assessment has been included below in summary form only and it is essential that Members read the Integrated Impact Assessment, which is attached to the report at Appendix 1, for the purposes of the meeting.

## Proposal 1 – Justification

On balance, the proposal will have a positive impact on those that are most in need of a DFG and their carers, as the available resource will be better targeted to those most in need of a DFG, resulting in more people that are identified as both physically and financially requiring a DFG in obtaining these key adaptations more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.

## Proposal 2 – Positive Impact

Will have a positive impact on those people with a disability that require more costly works to remain living safely and independently in their homes.

## **Valleys Communities Impacts**

The implications of demand for DFGs and the rising costs of works will be seen across the Neath Port Talbot area and not specific to Valley communities.

#### **Workforce Impacts**

No impacts.

## **Legal Impacts**

There is a statutory requirement for the Council to have a DFG policy, however the content and scope of this policy gives a degree of discretion to Local Authorities. Given that the previous decision to remove the means test did not arise from a statutory requirement, there is no legal basis that requires the Council to maintain the current policy and the Council is therefore able to update this policy and reinstate the means test.

Given that the decision to remove the means test was influenced by a request from WG, reinstatement may lead to opposition from WG.

However, as noted above there is no legal basis to prevent the Council from implementing a means test.

## **Risk Management Impacts**

No further impacts.

## **Crime and Disorder Impacts**

No impacts.

#### Consultation

The proposal to reinstate the means test will require public consultation, as such it is proposed that Officers undertake a 6 week consultation in respect of this.

#### Recommendations

It is recommended that Members approve:

- Officers to undertake further work in respect of the recommendation to reinstate the means test, including undertaking a public consultation, with a final Officer recommendation and proposed policy tools brought back to Cabinet for agreement at a later date;
- The establishment of a discretionary budget that will provide an additional £10k grant for essential works that cost in excess of £36k.

## **Reasons for Proposed Decision**

To help mitigate the impact of increasing demand for DFGs and that the available budget is utilised in a way that ensures those who are most in need are able to access adaptations in a more timely way.

## Implementation of Decision

The decision is proposed for implementation after the three day call in period.

## **Appendices**

Appendix 1: Integrated Impact Assessment

## **List of Background Papers**

Background Paper 1: Disabled Facilities Grant Update Report (Agenda Item 13): <a href="https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=494&Mld=1">https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=494&Mld=1</a> <a href="https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=494&Mld=1">https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=494&Mld=1</a> <a href="https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=494&Mld=1">https://democracy.npt.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?Cld=494&Mld=1</a>

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## **Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA)**

This Integrated Impact Assessment considers the duties and requirements of the following legislation in order to inform and ensure effective decision making and compliance:

- Equality Act 2010
- Welsh Language Standards (No.1) Regulations 2015
- Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015
- Environment (Wales) Act 2016

#### **Version Control**

Version	Author	Job title	Date
Version 1	Chelé Zandra Howard	Head of Housing & Communities	19/08/24
	Rob Davies	PO Housing Renewal and Adaptation Service	

#### 1. Details of the initiative

	Title of the Initiative: Disabled Facilities Grant (DFG) Options Appraisal						
1a	Service Area: Housing Renewal and Adaptation Service						
1b	Directorate: Social Services, Health & Housing						
1c	<b>Summary of the initiative:</b> To introduce measures to help reduce waiting times for DFGs and to fund essentials works over the £36k DFG limit:						
	Proposal 1 – To reintroduce the means test for small and medium DFGs						
	Proposal 2 – To introduce a £10k 'top-up' grant for works that cost in excess of the current DFG limit of £36k.						
1d	Is this a 'strategic decision'? Yes						

#### 1e Who will be directly affected by this initiative?

These proposals would directly impact on those that are assessed as requiring adaptations to their home due to their disability and may also indirectly impact on unpaid carers who support those that require an adaptation to their home.

#### 1f When and how were people consulted?

Proposal 1 - The proposal to reinstate a means test will require public consultation, as such it is proposed that Officers undertake a 6 week consultation before a final recommendation is made.

Proposal 2 - The proposal to implement a £10k 'top-up' is based on data and feedback from people who have been assessed for a DFG, which shows that some people are unable to go forward with essential adaptations as they are unable to fund the excess costs of works.

#### 1g What were the outcomes of the consultation?

Proposal 1 - TBC - The impact assessment will be updated following a consultation process.

Proposal 2 – People with a disability are unable to obtain adaptations in line with their occupational therapy assessment due to the costs of some works being in excess of the DFG limit.

#### 2. Evidence

#### What evidence was used in assessing the initiative?

Data in respect of DFG applications and waiting lists.

# 3. Equalities

a) How does the initiative impact on people who share a **protected characteristic**?

Protected Characteristic	+	-	+/-	Why will it have this impact?		
						A significant number of people who apply for a DFG will have a protected characteristic due to their age, as these adaptations often support those aged 60+ that have age related frailty/disability. Our Data shows that 84% of applicants are over the age of 60.
					Whilst there is no recorded data, it is reasonable to assume that many carers will also have a protected characteristic due to their age, as often those with age related frailty/disability will be supported by their partner/spouse.	
					<u>Proposal 1</u> – Reinstating the means test will mean that in the future, people who have the financial ability to fund small & medium works will no longer be eligible to access a DFG and would be required to fund the works themselves.	
Age	X		Whilst this results in some people no longer having access to the grant, these people will be assessed as having the financial means to fund the works without the need of a grant. This will then allow the available funding to be directed towards those that do not have the financial means to fund these works and will result in shorter waiting times for those people to receive the grant/works.			
					As such, on balance, the proposal will have a positive impact on those that are most in need of a DFG and their carers, as the available resource will be better targeted to those most in need of a DFG, resulting in more people that are identified as both physically and financially requiring a DFG in obtaining these key adaptations more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.	

		Those that have made a formal application for small and medium works before the proposal is implemented will not be impacted as their applications will be honoured.  Proposal 2 – This should have a positive impact on those with this protected characteristic (both the person receiving a DFG and their unpaid carer), some essential adaptations cost in excess of the £36k limit and so this 'top-up' will enable more people to have access to more expensive works in line with their occupational therapy assessment.
Disability	x	The nature of a DFG means that all applicants will have a disability.  Proposal 1 – Reinstating the means test will mean that in the future, people who have the financial ability to fund small & medium works will no longer be eligible to access a DFG and would be required to fund the works themselves.  Whilst this results in some people no longer having access to the grant, these people will be assessed as having the financial means to fund the works without the need of a grant. This will then allow the available funding to be directed towards those that do not have the financial means to fund these works and will result in shorter waiting times for those people to receive the grant/works.  As such, on balance, the proposal will have a positive impact on those that are most in need of a DFG and their carers, as the available resource will be better targeted to those most in need of a DFG, resulting in more people that are identified as both physically and financially requiring a DFG in obtaining these key adaptations more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.

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Gender reassignment		x	There is no data/information to suggest that those with this protected characteristic would be disproportionately impacted or subject to direct or indirect discrimination as a result of the proposals.
Condo rodosigilinoni		^	This is because eligibility for a DFG is based on a person's individual assessment of need by an Occupational Therapist in order to support those with a disability to live more independently at home and the proposal to reinstate the means test is focused on a person's financial ability to fund the works they require.
			Whilst there is no recorded data, it is reasonable to assume that many informal carers will have this protected characteristic as many people provide informal care to their partner/spouse.
Marriage & civil partnership	x		Proposal 1 – Reinstating the means test will mean that in the future, people who have the financial ability to fund small & medium works will no longer be eligible to access a DFG and would be required to fund the works themselves.
			Whilst this results in some people no longer having access to the grant, these people will be assessed as having the financial means to fund the works without the need of a grant. This will then allow the available funding to be directed towards those that do not have the financial means to fund these works and will result in shorter waiting times for those people to receive the grant/works.

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			Those that have made a formal application for small and medium works before the proposal is implemented will not be impacted as their applications will be honoured.
			Proposal 2 – This should have a positive impact on those with this protected characteristic (both the person receiving a DFG and their unpaid carer), some essential adaptations cost in excess of the £36k limit and so this 'top-up' will enable more people to have access to more expensive works in line with their occupational therapy assessment.
			There is no data/information to suggest that those with this protected characteristic would be disproportionately impacted or subject to direct or indirect discrimination as a result of the proposals.
Pregnancy and maternity		X	This is because eligibility for a DFG is based on a person's individual assessment of need by an Occupational Therapist in order to support those with a disability to live more independently at home and the proposal to reinstate the means test is focused on a person's financial ability to fund the works they require.
Race		x	There is no data/information to suggest that those with this protected characteristic would be disproportionately impacted or subject to direct or indirect discrimination as a result of the proposals.
			This is because eligibility for a DFG is based on a person's individual assessment of need by an Occupational Therapist in order to support those with a disability to live

			more independently at home and the proposal to reinstate the means test is focused on a person's financial ability to fund the works they require.
			There is no data/information to suggest that those with this protected characteristic would be disproportionately impacted or subject to direct or indirect discrimination as a result of the proposals.
Religion or belief		x	This is because eligibility for a DFG is based on a person's individual assessment of need by an Occupational Therapist in order to support those with a disability to live more independently at home and the proposal to reinstate the means test is focused on a person's financial ability to fund the works they require.
			43% of applicants are male and 57% are female, as such any changes will impact slightly more on females than males.
			Proposal 1 – Reinstating the means test will mean that in the future, people who have the financial ability to fund small & medium works will no longer be eligible to access a DFG and would be required to fund the works themselves.
Sex	x		Whilst this results in some people no longer having access to the grant, these people will be assessed as having the financial means to fund the works without the need of a grant. This will then allow the available funding to be directed towards those that do not have the financial means to fund these works and will result in shorter waiting times for those people to receive the grant/works.
			As such, on balance, the proposal will have a positive impact on those that are most in need of a DFG and their carers, as the available resource will be better targeted to those most in need of a DFG, resulting in more people that are identified as both physically and financially requiring a DFG in obtaining these key adaptations more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.

		Those that have made a formal application for small and medium works before the proposal is implemented will not be impacted as their applications will be honoured.  Proposal 2 – This should have a positive impact on those with this protected characteristic (both the person receiving a DFG and their unpaid carer), some essential adaptations cost in excess of the £36k limit and so this 'top-up' will enable more people to have access to more expensive works in line with their occupational therapy assessment.
Sexual orientation	x	There is no data/information to suggest that those with this protected characteristic would be disproportionately impacted or subject to direct or indirect discrimination as a result of the proposals.  This is because eligibility for a DFG is based on a person's individual assessment of need by an Occupational Therapist in order to support those with a disability to live more independently at home and the proposal to reinstate the means test is focused on a person's financial ability to fund the works they require.

## What action will be taken to improve positive or mitigate negative impacts?

No further actions required as the purpose of the proposals is to support those most in need of a DFG to access the works they require more promptly.

b) How will the initiative assist or inhibit the ability to meet the **Public Sector Equality Duty**?

Public Sector Equality Duty (PSED) + - +/- Why will it have this impact?	
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To eliminate discrimination, harassment and victimisation	х	DFGs fund essential works for people with a disability, so that they are able to remain living in their homes. Enabling those most in need to quickly access a DFG will advance equality of opportunity between those who have and do not have a
To advance equality of opportunity between different groups	x	disability and those who can and those who cannot afford to undertake home adaptations.
To foster good relations between different groups	х	In addition, supporting people with a disability to remain members of their communities will support good community cohesion, thereby helping to eliminate discrimination/harassment/victimisation and help to foster good relations between different groups.

# What action will be taken to improve positive or mitigate negative impacts?

No further actions required as the purpose of the proposals is to support those most in need of a DFG to access the works they require more promptly.

# 4. Socio Economic Duty

Impact	Details of the impact/advantage/disadvantage		
Positive/Advantage	Proposal 1 - Will have a positive socio-economic impact as it will enable people with a disability that are unable to afford essential adaptations to their homes to access a DFG grant more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.		

	Proposal 2 – Will have a positive socio-economic impact as it will enable those people that need more costly adaptations to be able to obtain the works required. This will enable more people to remain living in their own homes and also help to reduce the need for statutory support services.
Negative/Disadvantage	
Neutral	

## What action will be taken to reduce inequality of outcome

No further actions required as the purpose of the proposals is to support those most in need of a DFG to access the works they require more promptly.

# 5. Community Cohesion/Social Exclusion/Poverty

	+	-	+/-	Why will it have this impact?
Community Cohesion	x			Supporting people with a disability to remain living in their own homes and communities through the prompt provision of a DFG will support good community cohesion. For example, adaptations such as a ramp and hand rails will help prevent people from becoming 'housebound' and help them to remain active members of their community.
Social Exclusion	x			Supporting people with a disability to remain living in their own homes and communities through the prompt provision of a DFG will help to prevent social exclusion. For example, adaptations such as a ramp and hand rails will help prevent

			people from becoming 'housebound' and help them to remain active members of their community.
Poverty	x		These proposals will enable those that are unable to afford adaptations to their homes access DFGs more promptly, which will have a positive impact on those affected by poverty. Whilst the reintroduction of a means test will have a financial impact on those that are no longer eligible for a DFG, those that are assessed as ineligible will have the financial means to fund the necessary works.

#### What action will be taken to improve positive or mitigate negative impacts?

No further actions required as the purpose of the proposals is to support those most in need of a DFG to access the works they require more promptly.

#### 6. Welsh

	+	-	+/-	Why will it have this effect?
What effect does the initiative have on:  - people's opportunities to			х	There is no change to the application process which is in line with the Councils commitment to the Welsh Language.
use the Welsh language				There may be an indirect positive impact on the Welsh Language duty in respect of
<ul> <li>treating the Welsh and English languages equally</li> </ul>			x	DGFs enabling Welsh Speakers to remain living in their own homes and thereby remain members of their local Welsh speaking communities.

#### What action will be taken to improve positive or mitigate negative impacts?

No further actions required as the purpose of the proposals is to support those most in need of a DFG to access the works they require more promptly.

#### 7. Biodiversity

How will the initiative assist or inhibit the ability to meet the **Biodiversity Duty**?

Biodiversity Duty	+	-	+/-	Why will it have this impact?
To maintain and enhance biodiversity			x	
To promote the resilience of ecosystems, i.e. supporting protection of the wider environment, such as air quality, flood alleviation, etc.			x	The proposals are unlikely to have any impact on the Councils biodiversity duty.

What action will be taken to improve positive or mitigate negative impacts?

No further actions required.

#### 8. Well-being of Future Generations

How have the five ways of working been applied in the development of the initiative?

W	ays of Working	Details
i.	Long term – looking at least 10 years (and up to 25 years) ahead	These proposals help to ensure that the available funding is targeted to those most in need of a DFG so that people with a disability are able to access adaptations that are essential to promoting their long term independence.
ii.	Prevention – preventing problems occurring or getting worse	DFGs play an essential role in preventing people from requiring statutory support services and enabling people to live safely within their home.
iii.	Collaboration – working with other services internal or external	The adaptation service works very closely with the Occupational Therapist team with the OTs providing the recommendations of what the applicant requires, the service also works very closely with the third sector organisation Care & Repair ,who deliver all the small grants such as handrails and grabrails and steps.

iv.	Involvement – involving people, ensuring they reflect the diversity of the population	DFGs are provided in order to help people undertake key adaptations to their home in line with their personal needs that have been assessed by the Occupational Therapist. These assessments are person centred and strength based in order to help people achieve the outcomes that matter to them.
v.	Integration – making connections to maximise contribution to:	
	ouncil's well-being ojectives	Supports Well-being Objective 2 - All communities are thriving and sustainable by supporting people to remain living more independently in their own homes and communities.
	ther public bodies ojectives	DFGs helps to reduce demiand for statutory socal care support services and helps to reduce hospital admissions, alongside promoting prompt hospital discharge.

#### 9. Monitoring Arrangements

Provide information on the monitoring arrangements to:

Monitor the impact of the initiative on Equalities, Community Cohesion, the Welsh Measure, Biodiversity Duty and the Wellbeing Objectives.

Quarterly KPIs to monitor waiting times, number of works completed and number of adaptations over the £36k limit (e.g. extensions) will help to identify the impact of the proposals. Complaints will also be analysed to understand any unintended negative impacts.

#### 10. Assessment Conclusions

Please provide details of the conclusions reached in relation to each element of the assessment:

	Conclusion
Equalities	Justification - On balance, the proposal will have a positive impact on those that are most in need of a DFG and their carers, as the available resource will be better targeted to those most in need of a DFG, resulting in more people that are identified as both physically and financially requiring a DFG in obtaining these key adaptations more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.
Socio Economic Disadvantage	Positive Impact
Community Cohesion/ Social Exclusion/Poverty	Positive Impact
Welsh	Neutral/Positive Impact
Biodiversity	N/A
Well-being of Future Generations	Positive Impact

#### **Overall Conclusion**

Please indicate the conclusion reached:

Justification - for continuing with the initiative even though there is a potential for negative impacts or missed opportunities

Please provide details of the overall conclusion reached in relation to the initiative

Proposal 1 - may have a negative impact on those disabled people that would no longer be able to access a DFG for small & medium works due to the reintroduction of the means test, as they would need to self-fund their adaptations. However, those excluded from accessing a DFG will be assessed as having the financial ability to fund small and medium works and this needs to be balanced with the positive impact this proposal will have on those disabled people that do not have the financial means to fund home adaptations.

Our data shows that waiting times for adaptation works has notably increased, one of the main reasons for this is due to the significantly increased demand for DFGs following the removal of the means test for small and medium works. This increased demand is resulting in disabled people that do not have the financial means to undertake the necessary adaptations waiting for extended periods of time. Extended waiting times for these works can have a negative impact on a persons independence and can result in the person requiring statutory care services or no longer being able to remain in their home.

As such, on balance, the proposal will have a positive impact on those that are most in need of a DFG and their carers, as the available resource will be better targeted to those most in need of a DFG, resulting in more people that are identified as both physically and financially requiring a DFG in obtaining these key adaptations more quickly. Promptly accessing adaptations is essential in helping to prevent people from requiring statutory support services, reduce hospital and care home admissions and help with timely hospital discharge.

Proposal 2 – will have a positive impact on those people with a disability that require more costly works to remain living safely and independently in their homes.

#### 11. Actions

What actions are required in relation to obtaining further data/information, to reduce or remove negative impacts or improve positive impacts?

ACTION	Who will be responsible for seeing it is done?	When will it he done hy?	How will we know we have achieved our objective?
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Undertake 6 week	Rob Davies	Before finial policy is	Feedback from consultation
consultation in respect of the		presented to Cabinet for	informs decsion making.
reintroduction of a means test		decsion.	
Quarterly KPIs for waiting	Rob Davies	Quarterly	Reduction for waiting times
times, number of works over			Increased number of works
£36k and number of works			completed and
completed			Increased number of works
			costing over £36k

## 12. Sign off

	Name	Name Position		Date
Completed by	Chelé Zandra Howard	Head of Housing & Communities	Stoward	19/08/24
Signed off by	Chelé Zandra Howard	Head of Service	SHoward	19/08/24

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### **CABINET Forward Work Programmes 24/25**

## KEY – Items marked in Green have been added to the Planner since Cabinet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2024

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	TYPE	Contact Officer	Purpose of the report	Called for Scrutiny	Cabinet Portfolio Holder	Relevant scrutiny committee
Cabinet							
2 <sup>nd</sup> October	Unit 4 Neath Retail Units	For Decision	Dave Philips	PRIVATE ITEM		Cllr. S. Jones	Environment, Skills and Wellbeing
	Celtic Leisure	tic Leisure For Decision		To provide an update for members on the outcomes of the working group and the costs and opportunities of insourcing.	YES 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr.C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	An overview of the School Based Counselling Service (SBCS) support for schools and staff wellbeing.	For Monitoring	Zoe Ashton- Thomas/Rhian Miller	Provides an update on 2023/2024 data across the service including number of pupils accessing therapy, waiting times, outcomes and a thematic overview of need. It will also provide an overview of the School Staff Supervision Project.	YES 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Boundary Commission Review into the Senedd Boundaries.	For Decision	Karen Jones	Response to the recent boundary commission proposals.		Cllr.S.Hunt Portfolio 1	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Welsh in Education Strategic Plan Annual Report	For Monitoring	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Statutory duty to report on the Annual Progress to Welsh Government / Members	YES 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Freeports Business Case For Decision		Craig Griffiths		YES, 1 <sup>st</sup> Oct (Joint)	Cllr.J.Hurley Portfolio 4	Environment, Skills and Wellbeing
Page 45	Strategic School Improvement Programme Proposal to reorganise ALN Provision at Cwmtawe Comprehensive School	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Permission to Consult on Proposal	YES 12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Air Quality Action Plan	For Decision	Ceri Morris/ Celvin Davies	ir Quality Action Plan		Cllr. C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Educations, Skills and Wellbeing
	Provision of Outdoor Activities at Margam Park	door Activities at For Decision David Phillips			12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr.C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Initial Business Case for the Development of a Triage Centre for Homeless People	For Decision	Chele Howard	PRIVATE ITEM	YES, 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr. A.Llewelyn Portfolio 8	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Special Procedures – Licensing			Implementation of New Legislation		Cllr.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Direct Payments Policy Update	For Decision	Hayley Short			Cllr.J.Hale Portfolio 7	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Options Appraisal Disabled Facilities Grant	For Decision	Chele Howard	Proposed options to enhance the sustainability of the Disabled Facilities Grant	YES 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr. J.Hale Portfolio 7	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	RECURRING ITEMS (IF NEEDED)						
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths	Various Traffic Order (if needed)		Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services

Various Land Disposal Reports (If	For Decision	Simon		Cllr J.Hurley	Environment,
needed)		Brennan	Disposal of Land (If Needed)	Portfolio 4	Regeneration and
					Streetscene Services
Select Lists	For Decison	David Griffiths		Cllr W.Griffiths	Environment,
				Portfolio 9	Regeneration and
					Streetscene Services
Debt Write Offs	For Decision	Huw Jones		Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic
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Miscellaneous Grant Applications	For Decision	Huw Jones		Cllr. S.Knoyle	Community, Finance
				Portfolio 2	and Strategic
					Leadership

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Cabinet 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Outcome of Vehicle Procurement	For Decision	Mike Roberts/ David Griffiths	Seek Member approval to award a contract for the purchase of recycling collection vehicles collection vehicles and for associated funding.		Cllr. W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
October 2024	Hillside Managers Report	For Monitoring	Keri Warren	PRIVATE ITEM	7 <sup>th</sup> November Post Scrutiny	Cllr. S.Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Hillside Responsible Individuals Report	For Monitoring	Keri Warren	PRIVATE ITEM	7 <sup>th</sup> November Post Scrutiny	Cllr. S.Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Active Travel Annual Report	For Monitoring	David Griffiths/ Amanda Phillips	Provides an overview of works completed and schemes under design development together with a breakdown of works funded out of the West Governments core allocation funding.		Cllr. W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Flood Risk Management Plan	For Decision	Mike Roberts/ Steve Owen		YES 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Cllr. S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Public Participation Strategy 2023-2027- Progress Report	For Monitoring	Caryn Furlow Harris Anita James	It will provide an update on the progress to date with the actions in the Public Participation Strategy.  (Deferred from the 11 <sup>th</sup> September)	YES 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Leader Portfolio 1	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
Page 47	The Active Travel (Wales) Act 2023 – Neath Port Talbot Active Travel Delivery Plan (2024 – 2029)	For Decision	Amanda Phillips David W.Griffiths	This plan highlights the strategy and proposed actions for Members consideration that are needed to achieve two broad aims within the county borough. To set out the strategic vision for active travel in Neath Port Talbot and demonstrate the Councils aspirations on how the active travel network will be improved and extended in the next five years.	YES 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr W.Griffiths Portofio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Strategic Equality Plan Annual Report 23/24	For Decision	Anita James/ Caryn Furlow- Harris	The Annual Report for 2023/2024 provides an account of progress in meeting the Public Sector Equality Duty and in particular against the equality objectives and actions set out in the Strategic Equality Plan.	YES 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Blue Plaque Scheme	For Decision	Bethan Blackmore	A Commemorative Blue Plaque Scheme is intended to celebrate notable people, places and events within the county borough. Blue Plaques are one of the most effective and visible means of celebrating our history and the historic environment. Plaques connect the past and present, they can increase a sense of pride among local communities and can educate about history, making both more accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds.		Cllr Cen Phillips Porfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Remembrance Parades	For Decision	Caryn Furlow			Cllr. S.Hunt Portfolio 1	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Corporate Plan Annual Report 2023/2024	For Decision	Louise McAndrew/ Caryn Furlow- Harris	The purpose of the report is to approve the content of both the Corporate Plan Annual Report and Self- Assessment 2023 – 2024. Both documents reflect on progress made during 2023 – 2024. In relation to the delivery of the council's well-being objectives and how well we performed as a council.	YES 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Cllr S.Hunt Portfolio 1	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Transfer Station Energy Contract	For Decision	Mike Roberts	Seek Member approval to enter into a contract for the supply of electricity to the Council's Transfer Station at Crymlyn Burrows		Cllr. S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services

**Andrew Collins** 

**For Decision** 

To decide upon the NPT's vote in the ballot.

20th September

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Cabinet							
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Assessing Transport Suppliers and Drivers DBS (Home to School and Social Services Transport) Policy	For Decision	Brendan Griffiths/ David Griffiths	This will provide a new Passenger Transport DBS Policy that will guide operators through the application process, sets out the assessment criteria and an appeals process.		Cllr. W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Admission to Community Schools	For Decision	Helen Lewis/ Chris Millis	The Council is the admission authority for community schools in its area and is required to determine its admission arrangements.		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	School Exclusion Update	For Monitoring	John Burge	Making Members aware of the exclusion information for the previous academic year.	24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Complaints and Compliments Annual Report 2023/2024	For Monitoring	Caryn Furlow- Harris	To provide an overview of the number of compliments and complaints received during 2023 – 2024.	YES 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Clir.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Consideration of Ombudsman Annual Report	For Monitoring	Craig Griffiths			Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Christmas New Year Opening Times – Libraries, Leisure Centres etc.	For Decision	Chris Saunders	Details of the Christmas and New Year Opening Times for Libraries and Leisure Centres etc.		Cllr.C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbieng
סי	Replacement Local Development Strategy 2023 – 2038 For Commending to Council for Approval	For Decision	Ceri Morris/ Lana Beynon			Cllr. W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Page 49	Strategic School Improvement Programme Proposal to reorganise ALN provision at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive School	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Permission to Consult on the Proposal	YES 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cllr N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Culture
	Tree Policy and Operational Plan	For Decision	James Davies	An update to the Tree Policy and creation of a Tree Management Operational Plan.	YES 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Cllr. W. Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Management of Japanese Knotweed	For Decision	James Davies	Update on the treatment policy and operational plan.		Cllr. W. Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Arboricultural Management Plan	For Decision	James Davies		Yes 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Cllr. S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Pilot of Access Approach to Formal Parks and Gardens	For Decision	James Davies		?	Cllr.S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services

Use of Containers on Safari Collections	For Decision	Mike Roberts	To establish policy regarding the use of containers as storage on black bag waste collection rounds.	NO	Cllr.S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Regional Transport Plan	For Monitoring	David Griffiths/ Amanda Phillips	This report provides Members with an overview of the duties of the Corporate Joint Committee that has been mandated to produce a Regional Transport Plan for Southwest Wales for Submission to Welsh Government in March 2025.		Cllr. W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Disposal of Off Street Pay and Display Car Parks (Capacity and Utilization Review)	For Decision	David W Griffiths/ Ian Rees	This report considers surplus car parking capacity in the borough, income and expenditure with a view to reducing operational costs and to release the surplus land/buildings for potential re-development/regeneration or lease/asset transfer.	YES 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov Waiting Confirmation from Chair.	Cllr. W.Griffiths Portoflo 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Bus Franchising (Network Design)	For Decision	David Griffiths/ Brendan Griffiths	This report will set out the timeline for Bus Franchising and requires endorsement by Council of the new Bus Network that will operate in the County.		Cllr. W Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services.
Permission to consult on Remodelling of Link	For Decision	Keri Warren Hayley Short		Yes 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Cllr. S. Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety.
Rheola Estate – Next Steps	For Decision	Andrew Collins	To consider the options available to the Council following a legal request regarding title, from the current owners of the Rheola Estate	8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Cllr.J.Hurley Portfolio 4	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Permission to Consult on the Remodelling of Park House	For Decision	Keri Warren Hayley Short		Yes 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Cllr. S.Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
Margam Park Business Plan	For Decision	Chris Saunders	To provide an update on the NHLF bid for castle, and a business plan to meet the MTFP targets for the park.	YES 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cllr. C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Welsh Public Library Standards	For Monitoring	Chris Saunders	Provides an update in respect of the authorities library service performance against current Welsh Language Standards (WPLS) Framework 6 and note the feedback, comments and recommendations in the Welsh Library Report.		Cllr.C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Attendance in Schools	For Monitoring	John Burge	Overview of Attendance across all Schools	YES 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
School Budget Pressures	For Monitoring	Rhiannon Crowshurst		YES (POST) 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Youth Engagement Strategy	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Updated Strategy for Approval	YES 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cllr N.Jenkins Portflio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Leadership Strategy and its Impact on NPT Workforce in Schools	For Monitoring	Mike Daley	Provides an update on the Leadership Strategy and the impact it has had across all schools.		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Teaching and Learning support and Development Programme	For Monitoring	Mike Daley	It will provide an update on the progress to date with the actions within the Teaching and Learning Programme across all clusters.		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing

Directorate Improvement Plan and Service Plans From Education, Lifelong Learning	For Monitoring	Chris Millis		Yes 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Cllr.N.Jenkins Porfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
RECURRING ITEMS (IF NEEDED)						
Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths	Various Traffic Orders (If Needed)		Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Various Land Disposal Reports (If needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan	Land Disposal (If Needed)		Cllr J.Hurley Portfolio 4	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Select Lists	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr.W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Debt Write Offs	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
Miscellaneous Grant Applications	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership

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Cabinet 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Revenue Budget Monitoring 24-25	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Capital Budget Monitoring 24-25	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Treasury Management Outturn 24-25	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Support visits by Education Support Officers in Schools	For Monitoring	Mike Daley	Provides an update on the progress to date with the actions that follow any support visit across all our schools.		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Self Assessment 2023/2024	For Decision	Louise McAndrew/ Anita James		YES 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Community Focussed Schools	For Monitoring	Mike Daley	Provides an update on the progress of the Community Focussed Schools		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Elective Home Education	For Monitoring	John Burge	All information available on children and young people who are now Educated at Home.		Cllr N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Page 52	Highways Status and Options Report	For Decision	Mike Roberts	Awaiting Detail		Cllr.S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Rgeneration and Streetscene Services
	Improving Recycling Performance Report	For Decision	Mike Roberts		YES 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Cllr. S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Permission to tender Domicilliary Care Framework	For Decision	Angela Thomas		Yes 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Cllr. J. Hale Portfolio 7	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety.
	Direct Payment Whole Service Review this includes the Direct Payments Payroll Service Review	For Decision	Angela Thomas		Yes 7 <sup>th</sup> November	Cllr. J.Hale Portfolio 7	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Permission to extend Contract Arrangements for the Prevention of Wellbeing Service	For Decision	Chele Howard		No	Cllr. J.Hale Portfolio 7	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety.
	RECURRING ITEMS (IF NEEDED)						
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services

Various Land Disposal Rep	orts (If For Decision	Simon Brennan	Cllr J.Hurley	Environment,
Needed)			Portfolio 4	Regeneration and
				Streetscene
				Services
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			Portfolio 9	Regeneration and
				Streetscene
				Services
Debt Write Offs	For Decision	Huw Jones	Clir. S.Knoyle	Community,
			Portfolio 2	Finance and
				Strategic
				Leadership
Miscellaneous Grant Appli	ications For Decision	Huw Jones	Cllr.S.Knoyle	Community,
			Portfolio 2	Finance and
				Strategic
				Leadership

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Cabinet 15 <sup>th</sup> January 2025	Hillside Managers Report	For Monitoring	Keri Warren	Private Item		Cllr. S.Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Hillside Responsible Individuals Report	For Monitoring	Keri Warren	Private Item		Cllr.S.Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Updating the Side Waste Policy	For Decision	Mike Roberts	To seek Member approval for an updated Side Waste Policy (further to Measure 6 of the approved Waste Strategy Action Plan)	Awaiting Confirmation 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cllr.S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Permission to Tender a Carers Service	For Decision	Hayley Short			Cllr. J.Hale Porfolio 7	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Regeneration Strategy	For Decision	Andrew Collins	Work is being undertaken to produce a strategy which will form a reference and guide for future Regeneration Projects going forward	YES 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cllr.J.Hurley Portfolio 4	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
Page 54	Permission to tender a Housing First Service	For Decision	Chele Howard/ Hayley Short		No	Cllr. A. Llewelyn Portfolio 8	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Strategic Development Plan.	For Monitoring	Chris Millis	Provides an Update on the Progress to date with the Actions from within the Education, Leisure and Lifelong Learning Strategic Development Plan.	YES 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Report on HWRC Feasibility	For Decision	Mike Roberts	To inform Members on the outcome of feasibility work into suitable sites for a new HRWC in the Afan Valley area, and seek a decision regarding further work or not (further to Measure 17 of the approved Waste Strategy Action Plan)	Awaiting Confirmation 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cllr. S.Jones, Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Impact of the Support by Case Assessment and Progression Team.	For Monitoring	John Burge	It will provide an update on the progress to date with the actions from the Case Assessment Progression Team.		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Vulnerable Learners Service	For Monitoring	John Burge	Update on the support offered by the Vulnerable Learners Service and the impact it has had on pupils and families in NPT		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Various Land Disposal Reports (If Needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan			Clir J.Hurley Portfolio 4	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services.

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Cabinet 5 <sup>th</sup> February 2025	Fleet and Heavy Plant Renewals	For Decision	Kevin Lewis	This report seeks approval to procure new and replacement vehicles and heavy plant in 2025/2026 that has reached the end of their economic life cycle and require replacement in line with the Authority's Fleet Renewals Programme.	YES 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Cllr. W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Social Services Directors Annual Report	For Decision (Commending to Council)	Andrew Jarrett			Report of the Director of Social Services.	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Strategic Risk Register	For Monitoring	Caryn Furlow- Harris		YES 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cllr.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Neath Port Talbot Events Strategy	For Decision	Chris Saunders		YES 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cllr.C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Permission to tender Accommodation Models for Young People	For Decision	Keri Warren	Private Item	Yes 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Cllr. S.Harris Portfolio 6	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
	Library Strategy	For Decision		To approve the Library Strategy		Cllr.C.Phillips Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Page	Young People Housing Support Grant Funded Services (Permission to Re-tender).	For Decision	Hayley Short/ Chele Howard	Proposal for the recommissioning of Young People Housing Support Grant Funded Services		Clir. A.Llewelyn Portfolio 8	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
ge 55	Aberavon Seafront Masterplan	For Decision	Chris Saunders	To adopt the Seafront Strategy	Scrutiny 16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Cllr. Cen Phillps Portfolio 5	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Permission to Tender Supported Accommodation	For Decision	Hayley Short	Private Item		Cllr.A.Llewelyn Portfolio 8	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Permission to Tender for Emergency Accommodation for Women – Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence.	For Decision	Chele Howard/ Hayley Short	To feedback on the outcome of the consultation for the proposed remodel of emergency accommodation and seek permission to retender VAWDASV Emergency Accommodation on the feedback.	Yes, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Jan	Clir. A.Llewelyn Portfolio 8	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety.
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Various Land Disposal Reports (If Needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan			Cllr J.Hurley Portfolio 4	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services

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Cabinet 26 <sup>th</sup> February	Revenue Budget Monitoring 24-25	For Decision	Huw Jones			Clir.S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
<u>BUDGET</u> <u>25/26</u>	Capital Budget Monitoring 24-25	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Treasury Management Outturn 24-25	For Decision	Huw Jones			Cllr. S.Knoyle Portfolio 2	Community, Finance and Strategic Leadership
	Education Development – Local Authority	For Monitoring	Mike Daley	Provides an update on the progress to date with the actions from the grant.		Cllr. N.Jenkins	Education, Skills
	Education Grant Spending Plan 2024 -2025.  Safeguarding Support within Schools	For Monitoring	John Rurgo	Overview of all Safeguarding Advice and Training offered to Schools	YES	Portfolio 3 Cllr. N.Jenkins	and Wellbeing Education, Skills
	Saleguarding Support Within Schools	For Wonitoring	John Burge	Overview of all Safeguarding Advice and Training Offered to Schools	16 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Portfolio 3	and Wellbeing
	Appointment and Removal of Local Authority Governor Representatives	For Decision	John Burge	Information on the Appointment and Removal of Local Authority Governor Representatives		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
Page	An overview of the Families First Programme	For Information	Sarah Griffiths/ Allison Harris	The report will provide an overview of the Families First Early Intervention support services available to children, young people and families. It will also provide 2023/2024 data demonstrating the impact of the programme on children, young people and families who have accessed the service.		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
je 56	Strategic Schools Improvement Programme Proposal to reorganise ALN Provision at Cwmtawe Comprehensive School	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Results of Consultation and permission to advertise Notice for Objections		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Strategic Schools Improvement Programme Proposal to re-organise ALN Provision at Cefn Saeson Comprehensive School.	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Results of Consultation and permission to advertise Notice for Objections		Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	
	Various Land Disposal Reports (If Needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan			Cllr J.Hurley Portfolio 4	

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Cabinet	Period Dignity Report	For Monitoring	John Burge	Report on the spend and implementation of Period Dignity Scheme.		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Family Support in the Early Years. An overview of the family support provided by the Early Years and Flying Start Family Support Team.	For Information	Sarah Griffiths/ Lisa Clement- Jones	This report will provide an overview of the collaborative work across the Local Authority and Health in relation to providing equitable early help for children and families in the Early Years.	YES 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Updating the Missed Bin Policy	For Decision	Mike Roberts	To seek Member approval for an updated Missed Bin Policy (further to the implementation of Measure 1 of the approved Waste Strategy Action Plan, once completed)		Cllr.S.Jones Portfolio 10	Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Services
	Healthy Relationships for Stronger Communities Strategy	For Monitoring	Chele Howard/Elinor Wellington	12 Month Update		Cllr. A.Llewelyn Portfolio 8	Social Services, Housing and Community Safety
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	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	
	Various Land Disposal Reports (If Needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan			Cllr J.Hurley Portfolio 4	

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	Social Services Complaints Annual Report	For Monitoring	Leighton Jones			Cllr.A.Llewellyn Portfolio 8	Social Services,
9 <sup>th</sup> April						PORTIONO 8	Housing and Community
						Cllr S.Harris	Safety
						Portfolio 6	
						Cllr J Hale	
						Portfolio 7	
	Community Safety Strategic Intent Document	For Monitoring	Chele Howard/	12 Month Update		Cllr. A. Llewelyn	Social Services,
			Elinor Wellington			Portfolio 8	Housing and Community Safety
	Permission to Consult and Pilot an Alternative	For Decision	Keri Warren/		Yes,	Cllr.S.Harris	Social Services,
	Night Time Support Report		Hayley Short		13 <sup>th</sup> March	Portfolio 6	Housing and
					2025		Community Safety
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths	
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Page	Various Land Disposal Reports (If Needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan			Cllr J.Hurley	
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	Hillside Managers Report	For Monitoring	Keri Warren			Cllr.S.Harris Portfolio 6	
30 <sup>th</sup> April						. Graione c	
	Hillside Responsible Individuals Report	For Monitoring	Keri Warren			Cllr.S.Harris Portfolio 6	
	Early Years and Flying Start Childcare	For Monitoring	Sarah Griffiths/Lisa Clement-Jones	This report will provide information in relation to the Early Years and Flying Start Childcare Sector including the impact of Flying Start Expansion.	YES 10 <sup>th</sup> April	Cllr.N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	
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Cabinet 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Strategic Schools Improvement Programme Proposal to reorganise ALN provision at Cwmtawe Comprehensive School	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Final Determination of the Proposal		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing
	Strategic Schools Improvement Programme Proposal to reorganise ALN provision at Cefn Season Comprehensive School	For Decision	Rhiannon Crowhurst	Final Determination of the Proposal		Cllr. N.Jenkins Portfolio 3	Education, Skills and Wellbeing.
	Various Traffic Orders (Detail not available)	For Decision	David Griffiths			Cllr W.Griffiths Portfolio 9	
	Various Land Disposal Reports (If Needed)	For Decision	Simon Brennan			Cllr J.Hurley Portfolio 4	

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Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer			
2024					
12 July	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				
1.00 p.m.					
19 September	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				
	Disabled Facilities Grant Options Appraisal (Decision)	Chele Howard			
	<b>PRIVATE ITEM</b> - Initial Business Case for the Development of a Triage Centre	Chele Howard			
7 November	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				
	PRIVATE ITEM – Hillside Managers Report	Keri Warren			
	PRIVATE ITEM – Hillside Responsible Individuals Report	Keri Warren			
	Permission to consult on the Remodelling of Park House	Hayley Short			

	Permission to consult on the Remodelling of Link	Hayley Short			
	Permission to tender Domiciliary Care Framework (Decision)	Angela Thomas			
	Direct Payment Whole Service Review	Hayley Short			
	Scrutiny Committee				
	Update Report on Housing Transformation Programmes	Chele Howard			
	Update Report on Childrens Services Transformation Programmes	Keri Warren			
12 December	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				
	PRIVATE ITEM – Permission to tender a Housing First Service (Decision)	Chele Howard/Hayley Short			
	Permission to tender Carers Service	Hayley Short			
	Requested by Scrutiny Committee				
	Update Report in relation to Single Point of Contact (SPOC) Service	Angela Thomas			
	Progress update on Trem Y Glyn Residential Care Home	Angela Thomas			
2025					
23 January	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				

	PRIVATE ITEM – Hillside Managers	Keri Warren			
	Report				
	PRIVATE ITEM – Hillside Responsible	Keri Warren			
	Individuals Report				
	Permission to Tender for Emergency	Hayley Short / Chele Howard			
	Accommodation for Women – Violence				
	Against Women, Domestic Abuse and				
	Sexual Violence (Decision)				
	PRIVATE ITEM - Permission to tender	Keri Warren			
	Accommodation Models for Young				
	People (Decision)				
13 March	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				
	Community Safety Update	Elinor Wellington/Chele Howard			
	<b>PRIVATE ITEM</b> - Permission to consult	Hayley Short/Angela Thomas			
	and pilot an alternative night time				
	support (Decision)				
1 May	Selected from Cabinet Forward Work Programme				
	Social Services Complaints Annual	Leighton Jones			
	Report				
	PRIVATE ITEM – Hillside Managers	Keri Warren			
	Report				
	PRIVATE ITEM – Hillside Responsible	Keri Warren			
	Individuals Report				

#### To be programmed into the cycle

• Children & Young People, Adult Services and Housing & Community Safety Quarterly Performance Report 2024-2025 - Awaiting confirmation.

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