



***SOCIAL CARE HEALTH AND WELLBEING SCRUTINY
COMMITTEE***

2.00 PM THURSDAY, 16 SEPTEMBER 2021

VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS

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PART 1

1. Welcome and Roll Call
2. Chairs Announcements
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Minutes of Previous Meeting (*Pages 5 - 8*)
5. Pre-Decision Scrutiny
To select appropriate items from the Cabinet Board agenda for Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Cabinet Board reports included for Scrutiny Members)
6. Forward Work Programme 2020/21 (*Pages 9 - 24*)
7. Urgent Items
Any urgent items (whether public or exempt) at the discretion of the Chairperson pursuant to Section 100B (4) (b) of the Local Government Act 1972.
8. 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 2

9. Impact of Covid-19 on The Sustainability of Older People Care Homes In Neath Port Talbot (Exempt under Paragraph 14)
(Pages 25 - 52)
10. Pre-Decision Scrutiny of Private Item/s
To select appropriate private items from the Cabinet Board agenda for Pre-Decision Scrutiny (Cabinet Board reports enclosed for Scrutiny Members)

K.Jones
Chief Executive

Civic Centre
Port Talbot

Thursday, 9 September 2021

Committee Membership:

Chairperson: **Councillor L.M.Purcell**

Vice
Chairperson: **Councillor C.Galsworthy**

Councillors: A.P.H.Davies, O.S.Davies, J.Miller, S.Paddison,
S.H.Reynolds, D.Whitelock, A.N.Woolcock,
C.Edwards, W.F.Griffiths, H.C.Clarke and
N.J.E.Davies

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.*
- (3) For pre scrutiny arrangements, the Chair will normally recommend forthcoming executive items for discussion/challenge. It is also open to Committee Members to request items to be raised - though Members are asked to be selective here in regard to important issues.*
- (4) The relevant Cabinet Board Members will also be invited to be present at the meeting for Scrutiny/Consultation purposes.*
- (5) Would the Scrutiny Committee Members please bring the Cabinet Board papers with them to the meeting.*

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Social Care Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

(Committee Rooms A/B - Neath Civic Centre)

Members Present:

29 July 2021

Chairperson: Councillor L.M.Purcell

Councillors: A.P.H.Davies, O.S.Davies, J.Miller, S.Paddison, S.H.Reynolds, D.Whitelock, A.N.Woolcock, C.Edwards, W.F.Griffiths and H.C.Clarke

Officers In Attendance A.Jarrett, A.Thomas, R. Davies, C. Howard, A.Davies, H.Short, G.Evans, T.Davies and C.Davies

Cabinet Invitees: Councillors A.R.Lockyer and P.D.Richards

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 5th July 2021, be approved.

2. **Pre-Decision Scrutiny**

The committee chose to scrutinise the following cabinet board items:

Social Housing Grant Prospectus 2021

Members were informed of the Council's Social Housing Grant (SHG) Prospectus 2021, as detailed within the circulated report.

Members commended that the schemes currently held in reserves during 2020/21 were able to transfer to the main programme in 2021/22.

Discussions took place around the terminology in relation to renting along with the definition for affordable housing, as it was highlighted that affordable housing wasn't necessarily affordable for all. Further information was requested on the benchmark for affordable housing,

as it was highlighted that in some areas affordable houses were still too costly for people to rent.

Members asked whether the grant was available for the council to utilise to build their own houses. It was highlighted that this was an option for other Councils, however, as Neath Port Talbot had transferred their housing stock in previous years this was not an option.

Members were pleased to see that the report was linked to the Local Development Plan and that the report had therefore considered future planning.

Officers clarified that the figures included in the table on page 11 of the report is £9.9m of Welsh Government grant which equates to approximately 448 units of accommodation.

It was confirmed that the Amman Valley was not included in appendix 2 of the report, following the work undertaken by the Opinion Research Services (ORS) in 2019 as they did not identify any need for additional housing in the Amman valley. Officers confirmed that they would be confirming the accuracy of this.

It was discussed whether the numbers of housing were sufficient for future years with the increase in population. It was noted that the numbers had been calculated on the work undertaken by the ORS and was based on affordable housing.

Members asked for the dimensions of the dwellings to ensure the sizing was sufficient, due to the decrease in sizing dwellings over the years. It was clarified to members that there were guidelines set by Welsh Government on dimensions that had to be complied with. It was noted that further information on the size of the dwellings and the standards on dimensions would be circulated to members of the committee outside of the meeting.

Following scrutiny the report was noted.

3. **Forward Work Programme 2020/21**

Members noted the Forward Work Programme and requested the following item be include:

- A report providing an overview of Neath Port Talbots Housing and its policies and how this would link in with future plans.

4. **Access to Meetings**

RESOLVED: that pursuant to Section 100A(4) and (5) of the Local Government Act 1972, the public be excluded for the following items of business which involved the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 18 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A to the above Act.

5. **Pre-Decision Scrutiny of Private Item/s**

NPT Youth Justice and Early Intervention Draft Annual Plan 2021-2022

At the start of the item, the Director advised Scrutiny Members that the wrong Exempt Paragraph had been used – this should have been Paragraph 18 and not Paragraph 14.

Members received an update on the on the NPT Youth Justice and Early Intervention Draft Annual Plan 2021-2022, as detailed within the private circulated report.

Following discussions the following concerns within the report were raised for amendment at Cabinet Board.

- Valleys Communities Impacts should read 'No Impacts'.
- The Officer Contact details for Alison Davies should read 'a.davies8@npt.gov.uk'.

Following scrutiny, the committee was supportive of the proposals to be considered by cabinet board.

CHAIRPERSON

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SCRUTINY

FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME

March 2021 – 2022

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Cabinet Scrutiny Committee (All starting 2pm unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
2021		
8 th March	Budget Special (please see Cabinet FWP for items)	Hywel Jenkins
16 th March	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
7 th April	Meeting cancelled	
10 th May	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
21 st June	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
30 th June	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
28 th July	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
1 st September	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
22 nd September	Items to be confirmed	
20 th October	Items to be confirmed	
17 th November	Items to be confirmed	

15 th December	Items to be confirmed	
2022		
12 th January	Items to be confirmed	
9 th February	Items to be confirmed	
9 th March	Items to be confirmed	
6 th April	Items to be confirmed	
5 th May	Items to be confirmed	

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Education, Skills and Culture Scrutiny Committee (All starting 2pm unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
2021		
18 th March	Update Report on Libraries	Andrew Thomas
	Report on the work of Cynnydd and the Wellbeing Service	Andrew Thomas
29 th April	Meeting cancelled	
19 th June – Postponed to 28 th June 3	<p>An update on the impact Covid-19 has had on Education and Leisure services;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How has the return to schools been, any issues etc, overcome or still challenging, • Assessment in lieu of exams, how is it going/gone • Staff morale in Council, classroom and wider provision, • New curriculum prep. Simple quick rendering of what was said at school standards. • Adult Education activities • Childcare - as furlough ends after summer what will be the issues for providers / do we know? How many operating 	Andrew Thomas/ Chris Millis

22 nd July	Items to be confirmed	
2 nd September	Update on capacity at Schools – First and Second Choice	Andrew Thomas / Helen
14 th October	Update on Youth and Community Activity	Jason Heaney/ Angeline Spooner-Cleverly
	Curriculum Reform Update	Chis Millis and Mike Daley
25 th November	Items to be confirmed	
2022		
6 th January	Items to be confirmed	
17 th February	Consider the impacts that the pandemic has had on Schools - including the impacts from the loss of attendance and wellbeing on pupils and teachers –This will be included in Cabinet Board Report – Pupil Attendance update	
31 st March	Items to be confirmed	

Leisure and Culture Scrutiny Sub Committee (All starting 2pm unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Cabinet Board	Contact Officer
2021			
1 st July	Items to be confirmed		
23 rd September	Christmas/New Year Opening Times (Libraries, Leisure Centres etc)	14 th October	Paul Walker
Page 15	Service Update Report (verbal) – Theatre’s, Margam Park (information on the effect that Covid-19 is having on venues)		Paul Walker
	Physical Activity Sport Service Update – pass (presentation)		Mark Naperella/ Paul Walker
	Quarter 1 Performance Report		Neil Place
16 th December	Library Performance Report	6 th January 2021	Wayne John
	Quarter 2 Performance Report		Neil Place
2022			
10 th March	Items to be confirmed		
	Quarter 3 Performance Report		Neil Place

Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee (All starting 2pm unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
2021		
1 st April	Update on Homelessness	Angela Thomas
13 th May	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
24 th June (postponed to the 5 th July)	Postponed	Postponed
10th July 5 th July		
25th July 25 th July		
13 th September (Special)	Tai Tarian lettings policy consultation	Tai Tarian Officers/ Angela Thomas/ Robert Davies
16 th September	Impact of COVID-19 on the Sustainability of Older People Care Homes in Neath Port Talbot	Chele Howard
21 st October		
	Update Report on the impact of Covid-19 on Disabled Facilities Grants	Angela Thomas
9 th December	Impact of dischargers from hospitals on the availability of care packages. An update on Delayed Transfer of Care (DTOCS)	Angela Thomas

	The Neuro Diverse Plan– Post scrutiny	Keri Warren
2022		
20 th January	Items to be confirmed	
3 rd March	Recovery plan – specifically to do with social care, inclusion on care homes – is this going to change people decisions going forward. Welfare of staff to be included in this.	Angela Thomas
7 th April	Items to be confirmed	

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To be confirmed:

- Invite Tai Tarian – Update from Tai Tarian – TBC
- Invite Health Board – TBC

Regeneration and Sustainable Development Scrutiny Committee (All starting 10am unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
2021		
16 th April	Trends in Domestic Abuse	Claire Jones/Elinor Wellington
14 th May	Update Report on Active Travel	Ceri Morris
15 th June	Please see Cabinet Board FWP for Items	
30 th July	Please see Cabinet Board FWP for Items	
10 th September	Meeting moved to the following week (17 th September)	
17 th September	Update on the Audit Wales NPT Action Plan	Simon Brennan
22 nd October	Items to be confirmed	
3 rd December	Items to be confirmed	
2022		
14 th January	Items to be confirmed	

4 th March	Items to be confirmed	
8 th April	Items to be confirmed	

Community Safety and Public Protection Scrutiny Sub Committee (All starting 10am unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
2021		
9 th July	Neath Town Centre Anti-Social Behaviour	Elinor Wellington
1 st October Page 20	Environmental Health/Trading Standards – Food Hygiene Inspections (Performance and Impact of Covid 19)	Ceri Morris / Mark Thomas
	Update on NPT Safe Spaces	Elinor Wellington
	Performance Report - Quarter 1 2021/22	Shaun Davies
12 th November	Update on Anti-Social Behaviour in general (all town centres and wider)	Elinor Wellington
17 th December (2.00 pm)	CCTV – Position Statement and Update	Chris Owen / Chris Cole
	Performance Report - Quarter 2 2021/22	Shaun Davies
2022		
18 th March	Update on Substance Misuse from the APB/APB Regional Team around the transformation project, how services have responded during Covid 19, what else is being developed and harm reduction work	Claire Jones
	Update on the ADDER project and funding (Rep from PCC's Office to be invited)	Claire Jones
	Performance Report - Quarter 3 2021/22	Shaun Davies

Streetscene and Engineering Scrutiny Committee (All starting 10am unless otherwise stated)

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
2021		
26 th March	Please see Cabinet Board FWP for items	
21 st May	Please see Cabinet Board FWP for items	
2 nd July	Please see Cabinet Board FWP for items	
24 th September	Items to be confirmed	
5 th November	Annual Parking Report 2020/21	Steve Cook
	Parking Enforcement Operation 2021	Steve Cook
17 th December	Items to be confirmed	
2022		
28 th January	Items to be confirmed	
11 th March	Items to be confirmed	
29 th April	Items to be confirmed	

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