



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

***10.00 AM MONDAY, 5 JULY 2021***

***VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS***

**All mobile telephones to be switched to silent for the duration of the meeting**

**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 - 22*)
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. Affect of Covid-19 on Disabled Facility Grants (Exempt under Paragraph 14) (Pages 23 - 30)

**K.Jones**  
**Chief Executive**

**Civic Centre**  
**Port Talbot**

**Tuesday, 29 June 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.*

This page is intentionally left blank

## Social Care Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee

(Via Microsoft Teams)

**Members Present:**

**13 May 2021**

**Chairperson:** Councillor C.Galsworthy

**Councillors:** 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

**Officers In Attendance** A.Jarrett, A.Thomas, K.Warren, J.Hodges,  
R Davies, T.Davies, L.Batchelor and H.Sinclair

**External Officers in attendance:** K.Gillings, G.Richards and M.Davies

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

---

### 1. **Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

That the minutes of the previous meeting held on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2021, be approved subject to the following amendment:-

- It was noted that the wording “Following scrutiny, the report was noted.” in item 6 of the minutes, titled ‘Update Report on Housing Options and Homelessness’ didn’t provide an accurate reflection of the discussion. It was noted that officers were asked to consider empty homes being brought into Council ownership with the possibility of refurbishment and utilised as housing for the homeless. Along with the introduction of a Housing Revenue Account for this purpose. Members agreed that this was an accurate reflection of the discussion and agreed to amend the wording to reflect this.

Officers highlighted that following the previous meeting, IT colleagues were rectifying the accessibility concerns relating to the consultations on the Neath Port Talbot Website. It was also highlighted, that 10 training places had been secured for Officers to gain further knowledge on Easy read documents. Members noted this update.

## 2. **Pre-Decision Scrutiny**

The committee chose to scrutinise the following cabinet board items:

### Residential and Non-Residential Care Charging Policy

Following a request from the Director of Social Services, Health and Housing, it was agreed that this item be removed from consideration at today's meeting, in order to align the policy more closely to legislation and be brought back to a future meeting.

### Regional Co-Production Pack For The Regional Partnership

Members were presented with an update on the Regional Co-Production Pack for the Regional Partnership, which consisted of a Co- Production Framework, Co-production Toolkit and Co-production Charter as detailed within the circulated report.

The Director of NPT CVS Gaynor Richards, Mark Davies a Citizen of Neath Port Talbot and Kelly Gillings the West Glamorgan Regional Transformation Programme Director were in attendance to present the report along with the Director of Social Services Health and Housing.

Following the introduction, the Cabinet Member for Adult Services and Health commended the document.

Scrutiny Members queried what visible difference would there be following the implementation of the framework. Officers highlighted that following the growth of this framework scrutiny would have insight of the plans and strategies going forward with a wider view of planning from members of the public, service users and families.

Members queried the number of citizens involved within the group as there were a low number of followers on the social media platform. It was noted that following the pandemic the numbers hadn't increased dramatically, however with further engagement going forward this would hopefully increase the following.

Throughout the discussion it was made clear of the importance of having a number of citizens involved within the group to ensure a wide variety of views were to be considered.

Discussions also took place around the involvement of Community Health Councils going forward.

Members raised concern around the gap that was currently in our regional governance arrangements as detailed within the report. Officers highlighted that this gap is currently being worked on. It was in relation to the evaluation process and ensuring that evaluations were done co-productively and not as separate organisations.

An open invite was offered to members to attend a co-production group for further information if required.

Discussions took place around the reporting structure of the strategy going forward. It was noted that a report would be brought back in 6 months to provide a further update on the progress of this framework. Further reports will be provided to the committee as and when required.

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

#### Welsh Government Housing Capital Grant Programme

Members were advised of the Welsh Government Housing Capital Grant Programme Development Plan Outturn for 2019/20 and 2020/21. Along with the planned expenditure programmed for the years 2021/22-2024/25, as detailed within the circulated report.

Members queried the County Flats. Officers confirmed that they are the Tai Tarian Development called County Flats.

Discussions took place around the monitoring of the Renovations. It was noted that the renovations are done by the RSL's. Architects, surveyors and professional design teams would also be involved in the process to ensure a high standard is being adhered to.

Following Scrutiny, the report was noted.

#### Five Year West Glamorgan Regional Carers Strategy

Members were presented with an update on the Five Year West Glamorgan Regional Carers Strategy, as detailed within the circulated report.

The Director of NPT CVS was in attendance and provided a brief introductory to the report.

Discussions took place around the cost implications that unpaid carers are faced with when trying to use forms of transportation. The Director of NPT CVS highlighted that the Voluntary sector would discuss ways of considering options to help work with unpaid carers.

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

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

Members noted the Forward Work Programme and were informed that a Forward Work Programme session had been arranged for 27<sup>th</sup> May, 2021, to discuss and populate further items for the 2021/22 cycle.

4. **Social Care Health and Wellbeing Cabinet Board Forward Work Programme (Included in Cabinet Board papers)**

The Social Care Health and Wellbeing Cabinet Board Forward Work Programme was noted.

**CHAIRPERSON**



**SCRUTINY**  
**FORWARD WORK PROGRAMME**

**March 2021 – 2022**

**CONTENTS**

<b><u>COMMITTEE</u></b>	<b><u>Officer Responsible</u></b>
Cabinet Scrutiny Committee	<b>Charlotte Davies / Chloe Plowman</b>
Education, Skills and Culture Scrutiny Committee	<b>Charlotte Davies</b>
Leisure and Culture Scrutiny Sub Committee	<b>Charlotte Davies</b>
Social Care, Health and Wellbeing Scrutiny Committee	<b>Charlotte Davies</b>
Regeneration and Sustainable Development Scrutiny Committee	<b>Chloe Plowman</b>
Community Safety and Public Protection Scrutiny Sub Committee	<b>Chloe Plowman</b>
Streetscene and Engineering Scrutiny Committee	<b>Chloe Plowman</b>

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

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

15 <sup>th</sup> December	Items to be confirmed	
<b>2022</b>		
12 <sup>th</sup> January	Items to be confirmed	
9 <sup>th</sup> February	Items to be confirmed	
9 <sup>th</sup> March	Items to be confirmed	
6 <sup>th</sup> April	Items to be confirmed	
9 <sup>th</sup> May	Items to be confirmed	

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

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
<b>2021</b>		
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Update Report on Libraries	Andrew Thomas
	Report on the work of Cynnydd and the Wellbeing Service	Andrew Thomas
29 <sup>th</sup> April	Meeting cancelled	
<p>10<sup>th</sup> June –  <del>10<sup>th</sup> June</del>            postponed to            28<sup>th</sup> June            3</p>	<p>An update on the impact Covid-19 has had on Education and Leisure services;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• How has the return to schools been, any issues etc, overcome or still challenging,</li> <li>• Assessment in lieu of exams, how is it going/gone</li> <li>• Staff morale in Council, classroom and wider provision,</li> <li>• New curriculum prep. Simple quick rendering of what was said at school standards.</li> <li>• Adult Education activities</li> <li>• Childcare - as furlough ends after summer what will be the issues for providers / do we know? How many operating</li> </ul>	Andrew Thomas/ Chris Millis

22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Items to be confirmed	
2 <sup>nd</sup> September	Update on capacity at Schools – First and Second Choice	Andrew Thomas / Helen
14 <sup>th</sup> October	Update on Youth and Community Activity	Chris Mills
	Curriculum Reform Update	Andrew Thomas
25 <sup>th</sup> November	Items to be confirmed	
<b>2022</b>		
6 <sup>th</sup> January	Items to be confirmed	
17 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>st</sup> 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
<b>2021</b>			
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Items to be confirmed		
23 <sup>rd</sup> September	Christmas/New Year Opening Times (Libraries, Leisure Centres etc)	14 <sup>th</sup> October	Paul Walker
	Service Update Report – Theatre’s, Margam Park (information on the effect that Covid-19 is having on venues)		Paul Walker
	Physical Activity Sport Service Update – pass		Mark Naperella/ Paul Walker
16 <sup>th</sup> December	Library Performance Report	6 <sup>th</sup> January 2021	Wayne John
<b>2022</b>			
10 <sup>th</sup> March	Items to be confirmed		

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

Meeting Date	Agenda Item	Contact Officer
<b>2021</b>		
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Update on Homelessness	Angela Thomas
13 <sup>th</sup> May	Please see Cabinet FWP for items	
24 <sup>th</sup> June (Postponed to the 5 <sup>th</sup> July)	Postponed	Postponed
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Update Report on the impact of Covid-19 on Disabled Facilities Grants	Angela Thomas
29 <sup>th</sup> July	Residential Care – update on future plans	Chele Howard
16 <sup>th</sup> September	Impact of dischargers from hospitals on the availability of care packages. An update on Delayed Transfer of Care (DTOCS)	Angela Thomas
21 <sup>st</sup> October	The Neuro Diverse Strategy – Post scrutiny	Keri Warren
9 <sup>th</sup> December	Items to be confirmed	
<b>2022</b>		



20 <sup>th</sup> January	Items to be confirmed	
3 <sup>rd</sup> 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 <sup>th</sup> April	Items to be confirmed	

**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
<b>2021</b>		
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Trends in Domestic Abuse	Claire Jones/Elinor Wellington
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Update Report on Active Travel	Ceri Morris
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Please see Cabinet Board FWP for Items	
30 <sup>th</sup> July	Items to be confirmed	
10 <sup>th</sup> September	Update on the Audit Wales NPT Action Plan	Simon Brennan
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Items to be confirmed	
3 <sup>rd</sup> December	Items to be confirmed	
<b>2022</b>		
14 <sup>th</sup> January	Items to be confirmed	
4 <sup>th</sup> March	Items to be confirmed	

8 <sup>th</sup> 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
<b>2021</b>		
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Neath Town Centre Anti-Social Behaviour	Elinor Wellington
1 <sup>st</sup> October	Environmental Health/Trading Standards – Food Hygiene Inspections (Performance and Impact of Covid 19)	Ceri Morris / Mark Thomas
	Update on NPT Safe Spaces	Elinor Wellington
17 <sup>th</sup> December (2.00 pm)	Update on Anti-Social Behaviour in general (all town centres and wider)	Elinor Wellington
<b>2022</b>		
18 <sup>th</sup> March	Items to be confirmed	

**Items to be programmed in:**

- CCTV: Position Statement and Update

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

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



By virtue of paragraph(s) 14 of Part 4 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

Document is Restricted

This page is intentionally left blank