

SOUTH WEST WALES CORPORATE JOINT COMMITTEE

Overview and Scrutiny Committee

14th October 2024

Report of the Chief Executive

Report Title: General Progress of the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee 2023/24

Purpose of Report	To provide Members of South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee (SWWCJC) on the General Progress of the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee 2023/24
Recommendation(s)	That Members of South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee (SWWCJC) comment on the note and endorse General Progress of the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee 2023/24 ahead of South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee 22 nd October 2024.
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1. Introduction / Background

To provide an overview of the of the governance and functions of the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee (SWWCJC) for the period of 2023/24.

2. Financial Impacts

None

3. Integrated Impact Assessment

The CJC is subject to the Equality Act (Public Sector Equality Duty and the socio-economic duty), the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure, and must in the exercise of their functions, have due regard to the need to:

Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation and other conduct prohibited by the Acts.

Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not.

In recognition of the above duties, the CJC has adopted an Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) Tool which allows for a two stage approach to be undertaken to measure any potential impact of its decisions. It is not considered that an Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA) is required for this report as it does not seek a substantive policy decision from Members.

The CJC approved its Corporate Plan 2023-2028 in March 2023. The Corporate Plan includes the CJC's Equality Objective which is set out below for ease of reference:

“To deliver a more equal South West Wales by 2035 by contributing towards:

- (a) The achievement of the Welsh Government's long-term equality aim of eliminating inequality caused by poverty;
- (b) The achievement of the Equality statement set out in Llwybr Newydd which is to make our transport services and infrastructure accessible and inclusive by aiming to remove the physical, attitudinal, environmental, systemic, linguistic and economic barriers that prevent people from using sustainable transport, and
- (c) The achievement of the Welsh Government's long-term equality aims of cohesive communities that are resilient, fair and equal and where everyone is able to participate in political, public and everyday life. There will be no room for racism and / or discrimination of any kind.”

Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015

Alignment with CJC Corporate Plan 2023-2028 and the identified CJC Well-being objectives:

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 mandates that public bodies in Wales must carry out sustainable development. Sustainable development means the process of improving the economic, social, environmental and cultural well-being of Wales by taking action, in accordance with the sustainable development principle, aimed at achieving the 'well-being goals'. Members will note that in respect of the Wellbeing of

Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 one of the seven Well-being Goals is “A Wales of vibrant culture and thriving Welsh language”.

Not required for this report.

4. Workforce Impacts

None

5. Legal Impacts

None

6. Risk Management Impacts

None

7. Consultation

No formal consultation required for the purpose of this report.

8. Reason for Decision

To provide Members of South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee Overview and Scrutiny Committee (SWWCJC) on the General Progress of the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee 2023/24

9. Recommendation

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10. Implementation of Decision:

This report will be subject to onward referral to the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee and subject to approval by them will be implemented following the conclusion of the 3 day call in period.

11. Appendices:

General Progress of the South West Wales Corporate Joint Committee 2023/24

12. List of Background Papers:

None