

Streetscene and Engineering Scrutiny Committee

(Committee Rooms A/B - Neath Civic Centre)

Members Present:

17 December 2021

Chairperson: Councillor S.M.Penry

Vice Chairperson: Councillor R.W.Wood

Councillors: A.R.Aubrey, C.Galsworthy, D.Keogh, R.Davies and S.Jones

Officers In Attendance D.Griffiths, M.Roberts, C.Davies and T.Davies

Cabinet Invitees: Councillors M.Harvey and A.Wingrave

1. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

That the minutes of the previous meetings as detailed below be approved:

- 24 September 2021
- 5 November 2021
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2. **Pre-Decision Scrutiny**

The Committee scrutinised the following Cabinet Board items:

Key Performance Indicators 2021/2022 - Quarter 2 (1st April 2021 - 30th September 2021)

Members received an update on the quarter 2 performance management data for the period 1 April 2021 to 30 September 2021 for Streetscene and Engineering, as detailed within the circulated report.

Members queried the tightening of restrictions around international waste and queried whether this would have a potential impact on the Council. Officers explained that we currently disperse of all of our

waste within the UK and therefore would not incur any international charges.

Discussions took place around the Compliments and complaints element of the report. Members were firstly pleased to see an increase in compliments received in 21/22. However, members questioned an inaccuracy within the report around the compliment figures for 2020/21. Members also raised their disappointment in the recording of the complaints figures. Officers explained that that member would receive a breakdown of all figures in the quality assurance report that would be brought to a future meeting of Street scene and Engineering.

Members highlighted the importance of recycling plastics and whether there were any possibilities of educating further on increasing recycling. Officers highlighted to members there are analysis currently taking place from household waste which would help provide data on the types of waste that is/isn't being recycled. It was also highlighted that Neath Port Talbot came 7th in wales out of 22 authorities in last Year's performance on recycling.

Following scrutiny, the report was noted.

3. **Forward Work Programme 2021/22**

That the forward Work Programme be noted.

CHAIRPERSON