

# **NEATH PORT TALBOT COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL**

## **Environment, Regeneration and Street scene Cabinet Board**

3rd March 2023

### **Report of the Chair of Environment, Regeneration, Streetscene Services Scrutiny Committee**

#### **Matter for decision**

#### **Wards Affected:**

All Wards

#### **To consider the recommendations of the Task and Finish Group on the Waste Strategy Review**

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

To receive the report of the task and finish group on the waste strategy review.

#### **Executive Summary**

This report attached at Appendix A highlights the findings and recommendations of the Task and Finish Group carried out by the members of the Environment, Regeneration and Street scene Services Scrutiny in respect of its review of the Council's Waste Strategy.

The report includes the findings of the Task and Finish group inclusive of discussion points considered at the meeting of the group.

## **Background**

The Environment, Regeneration and Street scene Services Scrutiny Committee are the appropriate scrutiny committee for the consideration of the Council's Waste Strategy

The Committee were keen to arrange a Task and Finish Group to consider the measures that the Cabinet Board were proposing within its review period as a way of helping them discharge their pre-scrutiny role and to enable constructive feedback to be provided to the Cabinet Board as they continue to determine matters under this strategy.

As well as the Task and Finish group, all members of the Council participated in two All Member Seminars in preparation for the discussions on the Waste Strategy Review.

The overarching purpose of the Task and Finish Group was to identify and consider methods to assist the Council in achieving the next statutory recycling target of 70% in 2024/25. It will also contribute to the Council's Vision within the corporate plan of ensuring our local environment, heritage and culture can be enjoyed by future generations.

Members of the Task and Finish Group met on the 24<sup>th</sup> February 2023 to prepare this report and it is now commended to Cabinet Board for consideration and members of the Scrutiny Committee would invite the Cabinet Member for Street scene and Neighbourhood Services to attend the next meeting of the Scrutiny Committee to report back on their findings

## **Integrated Impact Assessment**

No specific integrated impact assessment is included for this task and finish report due to it being an internal scrutiny exercise. However, an impact assessment will be developed and will be reported along with the final Waste Strategy to Cabinet Board in due course.

## **Workforce Impacts**

There are no direct workforce impacts associated with this report however, if the recommendations are agreed and taken forward there

potentially could be workforce impacts and the Cabinet Board are asked to note these.

### **Legal Impacts**

There are no legal impacts associated with this report however any legal elements will have to be considered by the Cabinet Board as part of its considerations of any programmes of work to be undertaken.

### **Risk Management**

There are no direct risk management impacts associated with the report.

### **Consultation**

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

### **Recommendations**

It is recommended:

1. That members receive a copy of the report prepared by the Waste Strategy Task and Finish group approved by the Environment, Regeneration and Street scene Scrutiny Committee.
2. That Cabinet Board Members agree that a report be prepared to the Environment, Regeneration and Streetscene Scrutiny committee containing Cabinet Board's response to the issues raised.

### **Reasons for Proposed Decision**

To help the Council achieve the next statutory recycling target of 70% in 2024/25

### **Implementation of Decision**

Not applicable

## **Appendices**

Appendix A - A Task and Finish Group to Review the Waste Strategy

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