CORPORATE PERFORMANCE AND RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 19th June, 2024.

The Committee agenda is available <u>here</u>.

The recording of the meeting is available <u>here</u>.

<u>Present</u>: Councillor J. Protheroe (Chair); Councillor E. Goodjohn (Vice-Chair); Councillors G.D.D. Carroll, P. Drake, R. Fisher, C.P. Franks, S.M. Hanks, B. Loveluck-Edwards and N. Wood.

<u>Also present</u>: Councillor L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors H.C. Hamilton and Dr. I.J. Johnson.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 22nd May, 2024 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 4. DEVELOPMENT OF THE CORPORATE PLAN 2025-2030, PANEL PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT AND ANNUAL PERFORMANCE CALENDAR 2024/25 (REF) –

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) THAT both the Cabinet reference and appended report be noted.
- (2) THAT the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee be referred back to Cabinet as follows:
 - In addition to the membership criteria for the Performance Assessment Panel, as set out in paragraph 2.12 of the report, consideration also be given, alongside advice received from Welsh Local Government Association (WLGA) colleagues, to whether political balance of the

- Panel should be sought, to ensure a wide range of experience and perspective prior to the Panel being appointed by Cabinet.
- Consideration be given to the scheduling of consultation activities, for the Self-Assessment and Corporate Plan, to maximise levels of engagement over the July – October 2024 period, which also covers both the political recess and academic holiday period.
- The Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee be presented with a report, at the appropriate time within the development process for the 2025-30 Corporate Plan, to demonstrate how the Plan Objectives and Performance Management Framework have been drafted as well as the information used to inform the drafts.

Reason for recommendations

- (1) Having regard to the contents of both the Cabinet reference and appended report to outline the approach to developing a new Corporate Plan for 2025-2030, arrangements and proposed scope for the Panel Performance Assessment and to present the Vale of Glamorgan Annual Performance Calendar for 2024/25.
- (2) To ensure the Council fully discharges its duties under both the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 and the Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021 to publish annual Well-being Objectives, keep performance under review and consult and report on our performance through an annual self-assessment relating to the previous financial year.

AGENDA ITEM 5. PROJECT ZERO UPDATE REPORT (CX) – RECOMMENDED –

- (1) THAT the following aspects of the report be noted:
 - the progress detailed in the report, and Appendix A, in relation to the challenges within the Climate Change Challenge Plan and the work of the Public Services Board,
 - the RAG rating of progress from October 2023 to March 2024 in Appendix A,
 - the funding available in reserves and the projects awarded funding to date,
 - the updated Corporate Performance Indicators relevant to Project Zero, as set out at Appendix B.
- (2) T H A T the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee be referred back to Cabinet, alongside those of 18th June, 2024 Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee meeting, as follows:
 - A report on the Council's electrical vehicle fleet and necessary infrastructure be added to the Committee's Forward Work Programme for future consideration.

- That reports intended for the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee in relation to Project Zero and the Carbon Management Plan be received by the Committee on the same agenda wherever possible going forward and amended on the Committee's Forward Work Programme accordingly.
- Whether Council reports, in relation to procurement processes should give explicit consideration to reducing the Council's carbon footprint at both the pre-commissioning and de-commissioning stages of the process, in addition to the already existing efforts to reduce carbon emissions to support the Council's ambition to be net zero by 2030.
- Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee Members be provided with further information in relation to the Agri Hub, as referred to in steps PZC4.2 and PZC9.4 of the Project Zero Climate Challenge Plan, recognising that the scheme was still in the early stages of development.
- Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee Members be provided with further information in relation to whether a re-use popup shop could be established at the Household Waste Recycling Centre in Llandow, given that the facility was to remain in its current location for the foreseeable future.
- (3) THAT the report, as presented, be distributed to all Elected Members, members of the Public Services Board and all Town and Community Councils for their information.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report to ensure that Members were aware of: how Project Zero and the related work of the Public Services Board was being taken forward, the RAG rating of progress from October 2023 to March 2024 against the steps within the Climate Change Challenge Plan, the available funding and the projects awarded funding to date, and the updates made to the Corporate Performance Indicators relevant to Project Zero.
- (2) To enable Cabinet to consider the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee as part of its consideration of progress in delivering the Climate Change Challenge Plan.
- (3) To update all Elected Members and other stakeholders on the arrangements in place to deliver Project Zero.

AGENDA ITEM 6. UPDATE ON THE PEOPLE STRATEGY (DCR) -

RECOMMENDED -

(1) THAT the report as presented, on progress against the Council's People Strategy, feedback provided and discussions on future activity moving forward, be noted.

- (2) THAT the comment of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee be referred back to Cabinet as follows:
 - A report on the benefits and positive outcomes of the Council's
 Diversity Networks, as referred to in paragraphs 2.32 2.34 of the
 report, be circulated to all Elected Members of the Council by email in
 due course.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report to inform Committee of the progress against the People Strategy and future plans moving forward.
- (2) To enable the Cabinet to consider the views of the Scrutiny Committee on progress being made under the People Strategy.