

ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Hybrid Meeting, 18th June, 2024.

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Present: Councillor S. Lloyd-Selby (Chair); Councillors P. Drake, V.P. Driscoll, A.M. Ernest, M.J. Hooper, J.M. Norman, E. Penn and J. Protheroe.

Also present: Councillors A. Asbrey, R.M. Birch (Cabinet Member for Education, Arts and the Welsh Language), C.P. Franks, S.J. Haines, G. John (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing), E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health) and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors C.E.A. Champion, C. Iannucci-Williams (Vice-Chair) and S.T. Wiliam.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 21st May, 2024 be approved as a correct record, subject to it being noted that Councillor Driscoll offered his apologies for the meeting in question (these were not received in time for inclusion in the relevant minutes).

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 – T H A T the following comments / recommendations from the Committee be referred to Cabinet for consideration:

- That the Council ensures that the self-assessment process aligns as much as possible with the views expressed through the recent resident survey Let's Talk About Life in the Vale.

- That the concerns and potential risks raised by the Committee in relation to the annual self-assessment and the related timetable for engagement be considered. As part of this, consideration should be given to a more flexible approach to the engagement timetable, such as extending the length for consultation and engagement, in order to ensure that this is meaningful and representative.

Reason for recommendation

To ensure that Cabinet has the opportunity to consider the Committee's comments / recommendations as part of its consideration of the report and to ensure that all relevant stakeholders have the opportunity to engage in this process as well as ensuring that the consultation is sufficiently robust and effective.

AGENDA ITEM 5. PETITION SUBMISSION – SCHOOL CROSSING SUPERVISORS (DCR) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the following comment / recommendation from the Committee be referred to Cabinet for consideration:

- That Committee supports the decision, as outlined at the Committee meeting tonight, that no steps be taken to remove current school crossing patrols until a review has been carried out as appropriate to ensure child safety.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the report, the comments made by the lead petitioner, as well as the discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6. PROJECT ZERO UPDATE REPORT (CX) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T 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 be noted.

(2) T H A T the RAG rating of progress from October 2023 to March 2024 in Appendix A to the report be noted.

(3) T H A T the funding available in reserves and the projects awarded funding to date be noted.

(4) T H A T the updated Corporate Performance Indicators relevant to Project Zero at Appendix B to the report be noted.

(5) T H A T the following comment be referred to Cabinet, to be considered alongside any comments made by the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee who will consider this report on 19th June, 2024:

- The concerns raised around the 'weighting' of the Project Zero agenda and the importance of making Project Zero 'front and centre' in the Corporate Plan.

(6) T H A T it be recommended to Cabinet that this report be distributed to all Elected Members, members of the Public Services Board and all Town and Community Councils for their information.

Reasons for recommendations

(1-4) Having regard to the contents of the report, as well as the discussions at the meeting.

(5) For consideration by Cabinet as part of its consideration of the progress made in delivering the Climate Change Challenge Plan.

(6) In order to update all Elected Members and other stakeholders on the arrangements in place to deliver Project Zero.

AGENDA ITEM 7. CARDIFF CAPITAL REGION CITY DEAL – JOINT SCRUTINY COMMITTEE NOMINATED DEPUTY (DCR) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T Councillor Iannucci-Williams be recommended to Council as the nominated deputy to represent the Council at meetings of the Cardiff Capital Region City Deal - Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee.

(2) T H A T Councillor Iannucci-Williams, the named deputy, be entitled to vote at meetings of the Joint Scrutiny Committee in the absence of the Chair of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee.

Reason for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of the report, as well as the discussions at the meeting.