HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Remote Meeting, 8th March, 2023.

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<u>Present</u>: Councillor A.M. Collins (Chair); Councillor B. Loveluck-Edwards (Vice-Chair); Councillors J. Aviet, G.M. Ball, I.R. Buckley, S. Campbell, G.D.D. Carroll, S.M. Hanks, W.A. Hennessy and S.D. Perkes.

Also present: C. Ireland (Citizens Advice Cardiff and Vale Representative), G. Doyle, D. Dutch, V. John and H. Smith (Representatives from Tenant Working Group / Panel), Councillors C.P. Franks, H.C. Hamilton and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE –

This was received from Councillor M.J.G. Morgan.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 8^{th} February, 2023 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 4. PRESENTATION: CIVIL PROTECTION UNIT (CPU) UPDATE –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the presentation regarding the Civil Protection Unit (CPU) Update be noted.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the presentation and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5. REVENUE MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL TO 31ST JANUARY, 2023 (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) THAT the position with regard to the Authority's 2022/23 Revenue Budget be noted.
- (2) T H A T the arrangements to offset the projected overspends in 2022/23, as set out in the report, be noted.

Reason for recommendations

(1-2) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6. CAPITAL MONITORING FOR THE PERIOD 1ST APRIL TO 31ST JANUARY 2023 (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) THAT the progress made on delivering the 2022/23 Capital Programme, within the remit of the Committee, be noted.
- (2) THAT the use of Delegated Authority within the remit of the Committee, as set out in the report, be noted.
- (3) THAT the use of Emergency Powers within the remit of the Committee, as detailed in the attached Appendix 1 to the report, be noted.
- (4) THAT the changes to the 2022/23 and future Year's Capital Programme within the remit of the Committee, as set out in the report, be noted.

Reason for recommendations

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

AGENDA ITEM 7. SERVICE LEVEL ACTIVITIES AND PERFORMANCE TARGETS TO DELIVER THE VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL'S ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN 2023/2024 (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED -

(1) THAT the planned service activities for 2023/24, as contained in the Service Plans and as they relate to the remit of the Committee (Appendix A), be noted and endorsed.

(2) T H A T the proposed measures and service performance targets for 2023/2024, relating to the remit of the Committee (Appendix B), be noted and endorsed.

Reason for recommendations

(1-2) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 8. ANNUAL DELIVERY PLAN MONITORING REPORT: QUARTER 3 PERFORMANCE 2022/23 AND PROGRESS AGAINST EXTERNAL REGULATORY RECOMMENDATIONS AND PROPOSALS FOR IMPROVEMENT (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) T H A T the performance results and progress towards achieving the Annual Delivery Plan 2022/23 commitments, as aligned to the Council's Corporate Plan Wellbeing Objectives within the remit of the Committee, be noted.
- (2) T H A T the remedial actions to be taken to address areas of underperformance and to tackle the key challenges identified within the remit of the Committee be noted.
- (3) T H A T the progress made to date in addressing the recommendations and improvement proposals made by the Council's external regulators be endorsed, and it be recommended to the Governance & Audit Committee and thereafter to Cabinet that the following completed actions from the Insight Tracker, as relevant to the remit of the Committee, be removed:
 - Delivering with Less: Environmental Health Services review (9 actions).
 - How Local Government Manages Demand: Homelessness (1 action) and Homelessness Reviewed: An Open Door to Positive Change (11 actions).

Reasons for recommendations

- (1&2) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting
- (3) To ensure the Council implements its regulatory recommendations and improvement proposals and responds appropriately to the recommendations and proposals for improvement identified through the Audit Wales' programme of local and national Local Government Studies.