

CWM TAF PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD JOINT OVERVIEW & SCRUTINY COMMITTEE



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Overview of Cwm Taf Well-being Objectives Delivery Plans

1.0 SUMMARY OF THE REPORT

1.1 To provide the Joint Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Committee) with oversight of the progress made against the Cwm Taf Well-being Plan Objective 'Thriving Communities'.

The report of the Strategic Partnership Board (SPB) attached at **Appendix 1** sets out progress made in respect of Thriving Communities 1st year delivery plan. This report was presented to the SPB at its most recent meeting on the 6th of November 2018.

Paul Mee, Director of Public Health, Protection & Community Services, Rhondda Cynon Taf County Borough Council, is the Lead for Thriving Communities and will present the report to Committee.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The Committee is requested to review the SPB Report at **Appendix 1** and :-
- i. Consider :-
 - a) the extent of progress to date,
 - b) the extent to which it is evident that differences are being made to communities and citizens within Cwm Taf in improving the Social, Economic, Environmental and Cultural Well-being of the area.
 - ii. Identify any further information it would like to consider in support of the delivery of the Well-being Plan and how this could be most effectively presented to Committee at future meetings.

3.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

3.1 As Members are aware, the Cwm Taf Well-being Plan 2018-2023 was published on the 4th of May 2018 and contained four Objectives:-

- Thriving Communities
- Healthy People
- Strong Economy
- Loneliness & Isolation (cross cutting Objective)

The Delivery Plans for each objective within the Well-being Plan were approved by the Public Service Board (PSB) in July 2018. These delivery plans were aimed at addressing the immediate steps within the Well-being Plan.

An overview of each Delivery Plan was subsequently presented to Committee in September 2018. At that meeting, Committee determined that each Objective would be scrutinised in more detail at a future meeting.

Thriving Communities is the first Objective to receive this further scrutiny.

4.0 CURRENT POSITON

- 4.1 Detailed scrutiny of the progress made against delivery plans for each objective takes place at the SPB. An overarching report, of all four Objectives, is then submitted to the PSB by the Chair of SPB.

The current progress report to SPB, with regards to delivery against the Thriving Communities Objective, is included at **Appendix 1**.

Both SPB and PSB have considered whether the monitoring reports provide enough assurance to Members as to the progress in respect of each the Well-being Objectives.

It is recognised that the delivery of the plan is in its infancy and it is equally important to monitor and measure how we are doing things differently as a partnership. It is also widely accepted that the impact of the work undertaken on the Objectives may be difficult to measure short term and the Welsh Government and Data Unit Cymru are providing support to assist PSB's with addressing this.

The first year delivery plans are activity / milestone focussed and the performance monitoring framework will need to develop to become more outcome focused as delivery against the plans progress. To assist with monitoring performance and progress, in addition to a RAG rated delivery plan and information / data relevant to each objective, the SPB receive a Highlight / Exception report.

This Highlight / Exception reports aim to capture key achievements, other activities (outside the delivery plans) that contribute to the Well-being Plan, what is working well and what is not working well, in addition to risks and issues that require escalation to the PSB.

5.0 FUTURE REQUIREMENTS

- 5.1 At the most recent SPB in November 2018 the performance management framework and risk register for the Public Service Board were considered. It was agreed that further work would be undertaken to ensure the Delivery Plans from 2019/20 onwards demonstrate the 5 ways of working, are more outcome focused and consider all risks in connection with delivery against the Well-being Plan.

There is a workshop planned at the SPB in January 2019 to consider how to take this forward.

Consideration also needs to be given to the change of boundaries for Bridgend PSB and any impact that this may have on the delivery of Cwm Taf PSB Objectives.

Further updates will be provided to Committee as this work progresses.

6.0 NEXT STEPS

6.1 The priorities for Thriving Communities Objective over the next quarter include:-

Rhondda Fach

- Commence capital works to the Community Hub in Ferndale
- Provide specialist training for Hub Staff in order to ensure a Single Service approach and IAA model
- To develop a bespoke Community Zone ACE plan aligned to the Strategic ACE plan
- Deliver local projects with the community to enhance natural assets in partnership with NRW
- Develop an evaluation framework for the Zones

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- Continuing to establish the Neighbourhood Network
- Develop and deliver on environmental projects with NRW funding
- Implementing engagement and communication plan with programme of community events, developing connections with spokes , supported by seed funding role
- Pending the formal approval of the ICF Capital, develop the reception area of Hub to support SPOC and IAA

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