

Your feedback showed us ...

There was a need to ensure the work being undertaken by the Council to tackle poverty was more explicitly reflected in the next iteration of the Corporate Plan.

There was a need to ensure the content of the Plan can be seen to align with Cwm Taf Public Services Board (PSB) wellbeing objectives.

There was a need to make more explicit the governance arrangements supporting delivery of the Plan

What have we done about it?

The Statement of Wellbeing now outlines why poverty is a key priority for the Council; whilst the Corporate Plan now clearly highlights the ways in which we can support citizens to tackle poverty (Section 7 of the Plan). We have introduced a 'Tackling Poverty Together' button which will be used to support immediate identification of where Council services/activities support the tackling poverty agenda.



Within the Focus on the Future document we have taken the opportunity to introduce a table which shows how the work being undertaken for each theme contributes to other wider priorities. There are specific links made to both the PSB wellbeing objectives and the priorities laid out by the Council's Cabinet.

Within the Focus on the Future document we have updated the section that previously focused solely on 'Financing the Plan'. To develop a response to this feedback, we have re-named this element of the Plan 'Governance'. This section still outlines information around financing the Plan but now offers a brief overview of wider corporate support and governance arrangements such as: Workforce Development; Risk; the 'checks and balances' activities undertaken by Cabinet and Audit Committee etc.

In relation to the Best Start theme:

There was a request received that officers more clearly outline what is being done to support attainment levels within the Plan.

The emerging Raising Aspiration, Raising Standards (RARS) strategy is now clearly defined within the content of the refocused Plan; both under the Best Start theme and as one of the Steps to achieving the national wellbeing goals under Section 15 of the Plan.

In relation to the Working Life theme:

There was a request received that officers include some information on the relocation of the Central Bus Station as this was one of the Council's large programmes of work.

Under the Steps to achieving the national wellbeing goals under Section 15 of the Plan; a step statement has now been included on the relocation of the Bus Station.

In relation to the Environmental Wellbeing theme:

There was a request received that officers include some information on the Council's response to the Environment Act (Wales) 2019.

Under the Steps to achieving the national wellbeing goals under Section 15 of the Plan; a step statement has now been included on the Nature Recovery Plan – the Council's primary response to Biodiversity and Resilience of Ecosystems duty under Section 6 of the Environment Act (Wales) 2019.

In relation to the Living Well theme:

There was a request received that officers include an update on the Step included last year in relation to the developing Early Help Hub.

Within Section 15 of the Plan; a step statement has now been included offering an update on the Early Help Hub that has now been created and is being co-ordinated from the Civic Centre.