



SCRUTINY REPORT

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To: Chair, Ladies and Gentlemen

INFORMATION REPORT: Update on Council's Response to Coronavirus Pandemic

1.0 PURPOSE OF THE REPORT

- 1.1 Members of the Regeneration and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee have requested a regular update report be introduced on the Council's response to the coronavirus pandemic

2.0 INTRODUCTION AND BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Regeneration and Public Protection Scrutiny meeting held on 13th October 2020; Committee Members requested an update report be provided on the Council's response to Coronavirus at each meeting.
- 3.2 The Committee Chair confirmed that this information could be presented in template format; and that it should contain data and information updates relating to the services' key response activities.

3.0 WHERE WE WERE

- 3.1 An initial report offering data/information on the Council's response to the ongoing Coronavirus pandemic on 22nd September 2020. The Committee reviewed the content of the report; and explored the activities impact on both the services delivery the support services, and communities across the County Borough.
- 3.2 On review of this report; Committee Members discussed the need to maintain an overview of this topic, and to scrutinise the impact of the response activities which

the Community Regeneration, Public Protection and Housing services were delivering.

4.0 WHERE WE ARE NOW

- 4.1 At the subsequent Committee meeting held on 20th October 2020; it was confirmed the Committee sought to receive an update on activities at all subsequent meetings. This agenda item has now been added to the Committee's Forward Work Programme as a standard agenda item.
- 4.2 Receiving regular update reports enables Committee Members to maintain an overview of both the progress made and the challenges faced by officers; whilst also enabling the voice/concerns of the public to be raised.
- 4.3 Following the meeting, it was agreed this report could be presented in template format which the Committee would review with officers, taking up a critical friend role.

5.0 WHAT WE NEED TO DO NEXT

- 6.1 Regeneration and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee Members will receive an updated report at each meeting. They will provide 'critical friend' challenge, and aim to work with officers to identify and drive any further improvements required.

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BACKGROUND PAPERS		
Title of Document(s)	Document(s) Date	Document Location
Does the report contain any issue that may impact the Council's Constitution?		No