



MINUTES OF MEETING

SCRUTINY : REGENERATION, **PUBLIC PROTECTION AND** **HOUSING MEETING**

TUESDAY, 8TH MARCH, 2022

PRESENT: Councillors L Davies (Chair)
G Lewis (Vice-Chair)

Councillors M Colbran, K Gibbs and K O'Neill

Cooptees:

H Hopkins (Public Appointment) and R Stone (Public Appointment)

Other Councillors in Attendance:

G Thomas (Cabinet Member)

Officers:

A Owen (Deputy Chief Executive), C Long (Economic Development & Strategic Tourism Manager), L Emerson (Asset Management Principal Officer), C Jones (Property Services), P Lewis (Trading Standards and Licensing Manager) and S Jablaoui (Performance and Scrutiny Officer Officer)

M Morgan (Democratic Services Officer)

ITEM NO.	AGENDA MATTER	DECISION
743	Apologies for Absence	Apologies for absence were received from Councillor S Thomas and A Millar Youth Forum Representative.

744	Declarations of Interest (including whipping declarations)	No Declarations of Interest were made.
745	PREVENT and PROTECT – Counter Terrorism Duty	<p>Alyn Owen referred the Committee to the ‘PREVENT and PROTECT – Counter Terrorism Duty’ report.</p> <p>Paul Lewis then led the Committee through the report and together with the Officers responded to the following questions raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Referrals to individuals across the area • Support for premises such as the Shopping Precinct • Who is the County Borough Prevention Officer • A closed Meeting for Scrutiny Members (Without Sensitive Information) to share further details in relation to numbers etc • What Training is being delivered in Youth Clubs and Schools – Is there a cost in terms of extra staff • Training for staff to include Councillors as part of Members Induction Training • Paragraph 3.8 – What is done in relation to follow up of individuals to prevent re-occurrence • Alert levels – Where is Merthyr Tydfil in comparison to say Cardiff <p>The Chair then thanked the Officers for the report and the update to the Committee.</p>
746	Corporate Self-Evaluation – Working Life	<p>Alyn Owen referred to the ‘Corporate Self-Evaluation – Working Life’ report.</p> <p>Chris Long then led the Committee through the report and together with the Officers responded to the following questions raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • How does the fifteen year Strategy apply to the Future Generations Act • Paragraph 3.1 – Not all the buildings are the same – e.g Heritage element • Talent Management – One to one meetings - Good to have a more informed briefing – Good way forward to have informal chats such as Coffee Mornings etc • The need for greater understanding of topics such as Regeneration of the Town Centre • The need for Workshops as this is a very broad portfolio • Paragraph 6.1 – (ii) – Update on progress • Appendix 2 – KPI’s – Participants who gain a qualification at the end of an ‘ in work’ programme – Is ‘adequate’ reflective of the achievement • What is stopping the judgement from becoming ‘good’ <p>Resolved that:</p>

		<p>The judgements reached as outlined in the report be agreed.</p> <p>The Chair then thanked the Cabinet Member and Officers for the report and the update to the Committee.</p>
747	Asset Management Plan	<p>Alyn Owen referred the Committee to the 'Asset Management Plan' report.</p> <p>Lisa Emerson and Chris Jones then led the Committee through the report and together with the Officers responded to the following questions raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Explanation requested in relation to Action (5) • Action (11) – No current position update • Timeline – Explanation between the new and old plan - Mobile / Agile Working – Performance Management Data • Action (14) – Explanation requested on the Inspection regime for buildings • What does GIA stand for (Gross Internal Area) • Consumption – CO2 omissions – How much comparative data is available – The effect of Covid <p>The Chair then thanked the Officers for the report and the update to the Committee.</p>
748	Forward Work Programme 2021/22	<p>The Chair referred to the Committee Forward Work Programme 2021/2022 and the Committee agreed the Work Programme.</p>
749	Scrutiny Referrals, Feedback and Follow Up Actions	<p>No referrals were made.</p>
750	Reflection and Evaluation of Meeting	<p>The Chair and the Committee reflected in detail on the items that had been considered at the Meeting.</p>
751	Any Other Business deemed urgent by the Chair	<p>The Chair advised that there was no business deemed urgent.</p>