

EDUCATION & CHILDREN SCRUTINY COMMITTEE 28th SEPTEMBER 2017

Draft - Carmarthenshire County Council's Annual Report for 2016/17

- 2nd Year's progress report on the Corporate Strategy 2015-20
(Including our Summary Annual Report 2016/17)
- Full Annual Report 2016/17

To consider and comment on the following issues:

To approve the contents of the draft reports :-

- 2nd Year's progress report on the Corporate Strategy 2015-20
(Including our Summary Annual Report 2016/17)
- **Extracts of the Full Annual Report 2016/17 relevant to Education & Children's Services Scrutiny**:-
 - Introduction
 - Goal C1 – Ensuring each child has the best start in life
 - Outcome – People in Carmarthenshire fulfil their learning potential
 - Goal E5 Safeguarding Children
 - Appendices

Reasons:

- Under the Local Government (Wales) Measure we must:
"Publish an Annual Report on past performance by the end of October each year."

Exec Board Decision Required:	YES - 23rd October, 2017
Council Decision Required:	NO

Executive Board Member Portfolio Holder: Cllr. Glynog Davies (Education & Children)

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT

2nd Year's progress report on the Corporate Strategy 2015-20 (Including our Summary Annual Report 2016/17)

- When we published the Corporate Strategy 2015-20 we promised to conduct an annual progress report and we set out a set 24 Outcome measures to judge our progress against

(The Corporate Strategy will be reviewed for 2018/19 as the Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 states that we must incorporate our Well-being Objectives within the Corporate Strategy)
- By law we also have to publish a summary and full Annual Report
- It makes sense to combine the Corporate Strategy progress and summary report into one document to avoid duplication and align plans and reports
- In the recent WAO Annual Improvement Report they found that our combination of a short summary and a full version – gave all the information needed.

Full Annual Report 2016/17

- In previous years we combined Annual Reporting and Improvement Planning (ARIP) into a single document. This year we separated them because the new Well-being of Future Generations Act required the publication of our Well-being Objectives by the 31st March, and it made sense to incorporate our Improvement Plan within that. We could not have produced an Annual Report before the years end.
- In the future we will continue to integrate our Improvement Plan and Well-being Objectives in a single plan – looking forward. We will also aim to integrate the Annual reporting of both the Improvement Plan and Well-being Objectives in a single report.
- By law we have to publish a full Annual Report
- 2016/17 end of year progress on our Key Improvement Objective Priorities are incorporated into this document
- Progress on the WAO Corporate Assessment Proposals for Improvement are incorporated into the document.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?

YES

IMPLICATIONS

I confirm that other than those implications which have been agreed with the appropriate Directors / Heads of Service and are referred to in detail below, there are no other implications associated with this report.

Signed: Aeron Rees - Head of Learner Programmes
 Andi Morgan - Head of School Effectiveness
 Stefan Smith - Head of Children's Services

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	NONE	NONE	NONE	NONE
1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Annual Report is aligned to our Integrated Community Strategy Outcomes & Goals. 						
2. Legal						
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> We had to publish our Well-being Objectives by the 31st March and we incorporated our Improvement Plan for the year ahead in that publication. In previous years we combined Annual Reporting and Improvement Planning into a single document to meet the Local Government Measure requirements. This year we have had to separate them. 						
3 Finance						
See the Making Better use of Resources theme						

CONSULTATIONS

I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:

Signed: Aeron Rees - Head of Learner Programmes
 Andi Morgan - Head of School Effectiveness
 Stefan Smith - Head of Children's Services

- 1. Local Member(s) – N/A**
- 2. Community / Town Councils – N/A**
- 3. Relevant Partners – N/A**
- 4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations** - All Departments have been consulted and have had the opportunity to provide comments on their performance and progress.

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information

List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW:

Title of Document	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
The Local Government Measure (Wales) 2009	Welsh Government\Final part 1 guidance
Corporate Strategy 2015 -2020	Corporate Strategy 2015-2020