

ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC PROTECTION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

2ND JULY 2021

COMMUNITIES DEPARTMENTAL BUSINESS PLAN 2021/22

Purpose:

To give members an opportunity to review extracts relevant to this scrutiny committee in the Department's Business Plan.

To consider and comment on the following issues:

Actions from the business plan relevant to this Scrutiny's remit as identified below:

- Public Protection

Reasons:

To show how the department supports the Corporate Strategy.

To be referred to the Executive Board / Council for decision: NO

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-

Cllr. Phillip Hughes (Public Protection)

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1. BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT.

The following actions relating to Public Protection are from the Communities Departmental Business Plan, these are relevant to the portfolio of this Scrutiny Committee:

PUBLIC PROTECTION

Extract from the Communities Business Plan for the Homes and Safer Communities Division:

Ref	Key Actions and Measures	By When? Or EOY target	By Who?	Well-being Objective
1	Ensuring compliance with the external regulated reports recommendations.	31/03/2022	Jonathan Morgan	HSCBP/WBO13 <i>Better Governance and Use of Resources</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assessment of current regulatory actions in being as well as regulatory reports throughout the year e.g., CIW, FSA 			
2	Develop a new pro-active Public Health and Infection Control Service that will build on what we have learned from the COVID experiences and monitor the rate of covid-19 infections.	30/09/2021	Jonathan Morgan	HSCBP/WBO7 <i>Help people live healthy lives</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Development of new Public Health and Infection Control service 			
3	Develop a service delivery plan in accordance with the Food Standards Agency Framework Agreement	31/07/21	Sue Watts	HSCBP/WBO8 <i>Support community cohesion, resilience & safety</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The service delivery plan has been approved and implemented 			
4	Develop our Air Quality Delivery Plan to protect and improve Air Quality in the County. This will primarily focus on our Air Quality Management Areas and seek to embrace any positive experiences from the COVID pandemic	30/09/2021	Sue Watts	HSCBP/WBO10 <i>Look after the environment now and for the future</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Air Quality Delivery Plan has been approved and implemented 	30/09/2021		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Produce and Annual Progress Report on Air Quality for WG 	31/03/2022		

5	<p>Continue to be pro-active in the trading standards field (e.g., financial exploitation, licensing, POCA, COVID enforcement) ensuring we do as much as is possible to protect the public.</p> <p>Measured by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • % of Proactive Covid-19 Visits/Enforcement that resulted in improvement, Closure, and Fixed Penalty notices being served. • Financial Exploitation – the No of ‘True call’ units fitted at residents properties in a financial year • Financial Exploitation – the No of MoU’s signed with other LA’s who adopt CCC FESS • POCA - the No of MoU’s signed with Partner Agencies who contract with CCC to carry out their POCA function on their behalf 	31/03/2022	Roger Edmunds	<p>HSCBP/WBO8 <i>Support community cohesion, resilience & safety</i></p>
6	<p>Intelligence monitoring of the daily rate and other factors around enforcement activity. Escalating to IMT should the rate exceed 50 per 100,000 per head of population.</p> <p>Measured by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Carmarthenshire Incident rate per 100k – Number of cases over a rolling 7 days, and a comparison to previous 7-day period. 	31/03/2022	Adele Lodwig	<p>HSCBP/WBO8 <i>Support community cohesion, resilience & safety</i></p>

Planned Improvements for 2021/22

We know that there is a lot more to do and that Covid has temporarily delayed some of our programmes. However, by implementing the re-structure (**Action 2**), we will ensure that we set ourselves

up for the post COVID world. We will continue to be pro-active in the trading standards field and Environmental Protection through **Actions 2, 3, and 5**. We will contribute to WBO10 through **Action 4** by developing our Air Quality Delivery Plan to protect and improve Air Quality in the County, looking after the environment now and for the future.

DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?	NO
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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: Jonathan Morgan Head of Homes and Safer Communities

Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities	Legal	Finance	ICT	Risk Management Issues	Staffing Implications	Physical Assets
YES	YES	YES	YES	YES	NO	NO

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

- The departmental business plan extracts show how the department supports the Corporate Strategy and its Well-being Objectives.
- They will be supported by more detailed divisional business plans/action plans.
- The actions will be monitored throughout the year.
- The COVID-19 pandemic has had a considerable impact on departments and business plans reflect this. There have been many lessons learnt and new ways of working developed that will be maintained.

2. Legal

The Well-being Future Generations Act (2015) requires that functions of the council should maximise their contributions to the Well-being Objectives set by the Council. Our Well-being Objectives maximise our contribution to the seven national Goals of the Act and demonstrate the five ways of working.

2. Finance

The Well-being Future Generations Act (2015) requires that we ensure that resources are allocated annually to meet our objectives. The budget breakdown has been reported to a previous meeting.

4. ICT

The Digital Transformation Strategy sets out the Council's strategic digital priorities and aspirations, and outlines what we plan to do to achieve our vision for a Digital Carmarthenshire.

5. Risk Management Issues

Key risks are identified for each department and mitigating actions are outlined.

Key Divisional Risks are currently under review to reflect the up-to-date Covid-19 situation, Corporate and Executive Board Member Priorities. Risks will be aligned with service areas and service leads and will be re-published in V.2 following implementation of the Divisional Re-structure.

Risk Ref or New?	Risk Score After control measures	Identified Risk All risks can be profiled in the Divisional Plan. In this departmental plan the Division should identify: 1. Any Risks that it has on the Corporate Risk Register 2. Significant Risks (scored16+)	See Actions above
New		Manage changes in environmental health, trading standards and licensing regulatory requirements. Failure to do so will result in: Council not meeting its legislative requirements in these key regulatory services	A3 Sue Watts
New		Ensuring we continue to have a robust public health response and infection control measures in place. Failure to have a response and measures in place will result in: COVID rates increasing and the impact this will have on the general population, businesses, and schools; and The economic recovery of the County being slowed down; and Failure to closely monitor incident rates has implications on the ongoing risk of outbreak, community health and economic recovery of the County	A2/A3/ A5/A6 Jonathan Morgan Sue Watts Roger Edmunds Adele Lodwig

CONSULTATIONS

<p>I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below</p> <p>Signed: Jonathan Morgan Head of Homes and Safer Communities</p>	
<p>1. Local Member(s) N/A</p> <p>2. Community / Town Council N/A</p> <p>3. Relevant Partners N/A</p> <p>4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations N/A</p>	
<p>EXECUTIVE BOARD PORTFOLIO HOLDER AWARE/CONSULTED</p>	<p>YES</p>

<p>Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information</p> <p>List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:</p> <p>THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW:</p>		
<p>Title of Document</p>	<p>File Ref No.</p>	<p>Locations that the papers are available for public inspection</p>
<p>Corporate Strategy</p>		<p><u>Corporate Strategy 2018-2023</u></p>