

POLICY & RESOURCES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

14 JANUARY 2022

2021/22 QUARTER 2 - DEPARTMENTAL PERFORMANCE REPORT (1ST APRIL TO 30TH SEPTEMBER 2021) RELEVANT TO THIS SCRUTINY

Purpose:

To examine the report for monitoring purposes.

To consider and comment on the following issues:

Information contained within the report be considered

Reasons:

- Authorities are under a general duty to make arrangements to monitor performance
- We need to demonstrate to citizens, members and regulators how performance is managed, and appropriate interventions implemented

To be referred to the Cabinet / Council for decision: NO

CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDER:-

Cllr. Mair Stephens (Deputy Leader); Cllr. David Jenkins (Resources); Cllr. Peter Hughes Griffiths (Culture, Sport and Tourism); Cllr. Ann Davies (Communities and Rural Affairs); Cllr. Emlyn Dole (Leader); Cllr. Linda Evans (Housing).

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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14 January 2022

2021/22 Quarter 2 - Departmental Performance Report (1st April to 30th September 2021) relevant to this Scrutiny

BRIEF SUMMARY OF PURPOSE OF REPORT

This report shows progress as at the end of Quarter 2 - 2021/22 of our deliverables (Actions and Measures) linked to the Corporate Strategy and our 13 Well-being Objectives.

	No.	13 Well-being Objectives for 2021-22
Start Well	1	Help to give every child the best start in life and improve their early life experiences
	2	Help children live healthy lifestyles (Childhood Obesity)
	3	Support and improve progress, achievement, and outcomes for all learners
Live Well	4	Tackle poverty by doing all we can to prevent it, helping people into work and improving the lives of those living in poverty
	5	Create more jobs and growth throughout the county
	6	Increase the availability of rented and affordable homes
	7	Help people live healthy lives (Tackling risky behaviour and Adult obesity)
	8	Support community cohesion, resilience, and safety
Age Well	9	Support older people to age well and maintain dignity and independence in their later years
In a healthy and safe environment	10	Look after the environment now and for the future
	11	Improve the highway and transport infrastructure and connectivity
	12	Promoting Welsh Language and Culture
Corporate Governance & Better use of Resources	13	Better Governance and use of Resources

Note

- 2021/2022 is the first year that we will self-evaluate and report on, under the terms of the new Local Government and Elections (Wales) Act 2021, especially Part 6 of the Act on Performance and Governance.
- All quarterly reports will also be shared with relevant Scrutiny committees (not just quarters 1 and 3 as is the current arrangement).

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

Paul Thomas - Assistant Chief Executive (People Management)

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

1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities

The Well-being of Future Generations (Wales) Act 2015 requires public bodies *to take all reasonable steps to meet their Well-being Objectives*.

The **Local Government and Elections Wales Act 2021** provides for the establishment of a new and reformed legislative framework for local government elections, democracy, governance and performance. It replaces the Local Government Measure 2009. [Part 6 of the Act, Performance and Governance of Principal Council's statutory guidance](#) is the most relevant and includes specific duties for the Council:

Duty	Response
Duty to keep performance under review	We will maintain quarterly performance monitoring throughout the year. This Quarter 2 report addresses this duty.
Duty to consult on performance	We will undertake a self-assessment and undertake consultation on 2021/22 performance and publish an Annual Report.
Duty to report on performance – based on self-assessment approach	

2. Legal

In our published Well-being Statement, we are committed to monitor our Well-being Objective action plans.

CONSULTATIONS

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

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

**CABINET PORTFOLIO HOLDER(S)
 AWARE/CONSULTED -YES**

Include any observations here

Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Title of Document	Locations that the papers are available for public inspection
Corporate Strategy 2018-2023 (refreshed April 2021)	Corporate Strategy 2018-23 - updated April 2021