

# PLACE, SUSTAINABILITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

4<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022

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### FORWARD WORK PLAN FOR 2022/23

#### To consider and comment on the following issues:

That the Committee confirms and notes its Forward Work Plan for 2022/23 and its arrangements for the Task and Finish reviews in 2022/2023-2024.

#### Reasons:

The County Council's Constitution requires scrutiny committees to develop and publish annual forward work plans that identify issues and reports to be considered during the course of the municipal year.

**To be referred to the Cabinet for decision: NO**

**Cabinet Member Portfolio Holder: NOT APPLICABLE**

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# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

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### FORWARD WORK PLAN 2022/23

Article 6.2 of the County Council's Constitution states that: *"Each scrutiny committee is required to develop and publish an annual forward work programme, identifying issues and reports to be considered during the course of a municipal year"*.

#### The Forward Work Plan:

- Provides an opportunity for members to determine the priority issues to be considered by their scrutiny committee over the course of the next year.
- Provides the Committee opportunities to scrutinise both budget and performance monitoring reports.
- Provides a focus for both officers and members, and is a vehicle for communicating the work of the Committee to the public. The Plan (see attached report) will be published on the council's website and will be updated on a quarterly basis – [www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/scrutiny](http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.uk/scrutiny).
- Ensures agreement of provisional agendas for scheduled scrutiny meetings within the council diary. The Plan is a flexible document that can be amended to reflect additional meetings and agenda items during the course of the year.

Members will recall that the Committee held an informal Forward Work Plan development session on 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2022 to begin the process of formulating the forward work plan for 2022/23. This afforded Members the opportunity to develop the Committee's Forward Work Plan within the remit of the Environment and Public Protection Scrutiny Committee.

The outcome of this meeting is now presented to the Committee in the Forward Work Plan for confirmation. In addition, throughout the year Members will be considering the Cabinet's Forward Work Plan to identify pre-decision reports they wish to place on the Scrutiny Forward Work Plan.

## **Task and Finish Review – Arrangements for 2022/2023-24**

Following the Committee formally agreeing its Task and Finish review arrangements for the 2021/2022-23, the Group presented a report to the full Committee on the 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021 providing reasons for the decision to defer proceeding with the review on Fly-tipping in Carmarthenshire until after the Elections (May 2022).

The Committee in developing its Forward Work Plan, agreed in principle to include the Planning and Scoping Document for further consideration and formulate the Group Membership at its meeting scheduled to take place in November 2022.

The Committee at its meeting on 2nd July, 2021 formally agreed that the Task and Finish arrangements for 2021/22-2023 be carried out in the following order:-

- 1) To review the Management of Fly Tipping within Carmarthenshire**
- 2) To review dog breeding within Carmarthenshire.**

The above-mentioned arrangement superseded the Committee's decision made at its meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2019, where it was unanimously resolved that dog breeding in Carmarthenshire be the subject for Committee's next Task and Finish review in 2021.

However, to manage its workload and resources available, the Committee is required to only carry out one Task and Finish review at any one time and in any one municipal year, therefore the dog breeding within Carmarthenshire would commence following completion of the review on fly-tipping in 2024

The Committee is asked to note the previously agreed arrangements for the Task and Finish reviews in 2022/2023-2024.

**DETAILED REPORT ATTACHED?**

**E&PP Forward Work Plan 2022/23**

# IMPLICATIONS

|   |       |         |      |                        |                       |                 |
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| 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: <b>Linda Rees-Jones</b> Head of Administration & Law  |       |         |      |                        |                       |                 |
| Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities   | Legal | Finance | ICT  | Risk Management Issues | Staffing Implications | Physical Assets |
| YES   | YES   | NONE    | NONE | NONE                   | NONE                  | NONE            |

- 1. Policy, Crime & Disorder and Equalities** – In line with requirements of the County Council’s Constitution.
- 2. Legal** – In line with requirements of the County Council’s Constitution.

# CONSULTATIONS

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| I confirm that the appropriate consultations have taken in place and the outcomes are as detailed below:   |   |
| Signed: <b>Linda Rees-Jones</b> Head of Administration & Law   |   |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Local Member(s)</b> – N/A</li> <li><b>2. Community / Town Council</b> – N/A</li> <li><b>3. Relevant Partners</b> – N/A</li> <li><b>4. Staff Side Representatives and other Organisations</b> – N/A</li> </ol> |   |
| <b>CABINET MEMBER PORTFOLIO HOLDERS AWARE/ CONSULTED</b>   | <b>N/A</b><br>The relevant Cabinet Members to the Committee’s remit have been informed of the draft FWP.  |
| <b>Section 100D Local Government Act, 1972 – Access to Information</b>   |   |
| <b>List of Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:</b>   |   |
| <b>THESE ARE DETAILED BELOW:</b>   |   |
| <b>Title of Document</b>   | <b>File Ref No. / Locations that the papers are available for public inspection</b>   |
| Environmental & Public Protection Scrutiny Committee Reports and Minutes   | <b>Meetings held up to July 2015:</b><br><a href="http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-democracy/committees-meetings/agendas-minutes-(archive)/">http://www.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/home/council-democracy/committees-meetings/agendas-minutes-(archive)/</a><br><br><b>Meetings from September 2015 onwards:</b><br><a href="http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListMeetings.aspx?Committeeld=134">http://democracy.carmarthenshire.gov.wales/ieListMeetings.aspx?Committeeld=134</a> |