Vale of Glamorgan Council – Strategic Level Collaborative Working Initiatives

July 2017

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Environment & Housing							
1. Shared Regulatory Services A shared regulatory services service across Bridgend, Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan to provide service resilience, access to specialist resources, improve and maintain service levels and generate financial savings.	Cardiff and Bridgend Councils	Local	Dave Holland	Joint Committee supported by Management Board.	Corporate Resources & Housing and Public Protection.	The Shared Regulatory Service became operational on 1st May 2015. The Year 1 milestones set out in the 2015/16 Business Plan and the Joint Working Agreement has been achieved; the financial accounts were audited by the WAO and found to be satisfactory. The milestones identified for Year 2 in the 2016/17 Business Plan have been achieved and the service has delivered the savings identified for this period. The 2017/18 budget has been agreed and approved by all three partners; The Business Plan for 2017/18 is at the consultation stage and scheduled to be approved by the Joint Committee in June 2017. Work is now underway to design a programme for approval by partners for the period 2018/20.	An Inclusive & Safe Vale An Active & Healthy Vale

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2. Prosiect Gwyrdd Joint procurement of a (25 year contract) Residual Waste Treatment Facility serving all 5 partnering local authorities.	Caerphilly, Cardiff, Monmouth, Newport councils.	Local	Emma Reed	Joint Committee supported by Management Board and Contact Liaison Group.	Environment and Regeneration	Formal full Contract commencement date 1st April 2016, with a Commissioning Phase prior to that.	An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale
3. Cardiff Organic Waste Treatment Long term (15 year) joint procurement of AD treatment capacity for kitchen food and green garden waste.	Cardiff Council	Local	Colin Smith	Joint Management Board and Contact Liaison Group.	Environment and Regeneration	The commission period has now concluded and the successful commencement of the 15-year contract started 31st March 2017. The plant is fully operational and the Council deliveries food waste to the plant for energy recovery and recycling on a daily basis	An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale
4. South East Wales Transport Group	10 Local authorities	Regional	Emma Reed	To be determined via Regional Transport Authority work	Environment and Regeneration	Joint working reestablished formally in 2016 between transport representatives of 10 south east wales authorities to take forward a Regional Transport Authority in connection with the City Deal project. The Shadow Regional Transport Authority has met several times since October 2016 and has agreed an Interim Terms of Reference.	An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale
5. Civil Parking Enforcement Shared service for parking enforcement in operation which provides resilience and maintains safe highways.	Bridgend Council	Local	Michael Clogg	Joint Management Board.	Environment and Regeneration	Service launched 1st April 2013 and operating successfully. Quarterly Project Board meetings are held between	An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale

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						Bridgend County Borough Council and Vale of Glamorgan Council to review relevant operational and performance issues of the CPE partnership Cabinet have recently agreed (December 2016) to undertake a review of the CPE service.	An Inclusive & Safe Vale
6. Leisure Centre Contract The council has a partnership contract with Legacy Leisure for the Management of its leisure centres.	Parkwood Leisure – sub- contracted to Legacy Leisure	Local	David Knevett	The Contractor is required to produce an annual report detailing the outputs required in the Contract.	Environment and Regeneration	Contract continues to operate successfully. Discussions on-going about potential extension and variations	An Active & Healthy Vale
7. Local Authority Partnership Agreement (LAPA)	Sport Wales, LHB, Children and Young People's partnership, Local sport clubs.	Local	David Knevett	Vale Sports Board	Environment and Regeneration	LAPA proposals for 2017/8 have been approved by Sport Wales.	An Active & Healthy Vale
8. Emergency Planning Welsh Government and Local Government to regionalise the delivery of emergency planning services within 2 years and with other partners on a multi-agency basis within 4 years where practicable.	All Welsh Public Sector	Regional	Miles Punter	Emergency Planning Board	Homes and Safe Communities	The regional emergency planning team has been created on a virtual basis. This will provide the resilience of a regional service that can direct resources to specific local incidents as required, whilst also maintaining a locally based team to provide flexibility and local knowledge to the council.	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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9. Domestic Violence Strategic Partnership A multi-agency partnership chaired by the Director of Atal Y Fro. The partnership is responsible for developing a robust strategic response to preventing and tackling domestic violence in the Vale of Glamorgan. It works with the Police and Crime Commissioner and Welsh Government. It is responsible for ensuring partners are responding to the legislative requirements of the new domestic violence act.	Atal Y Fro, SARC, Police and Crime Commissioner s Office, South Wales Police, Fire Service and Cardiff and the Vale Local Health Board	Local	Miles Punter	The Domestic Violence Strategic Partnership is a subgroup from the Safer Vale Partnership and will report its activities to this group.	Homes and Safe Communities	The joint strategy between the Vale, Cardiff and the Health Board is on track to be published in May 2018 in line with legislative requirements. The Domestic Abuse Homicide Review is progressing within the timelines and will be holding a challenge meeting for partners during September to determine lessons learnt. The business case for 2017/18 was signed off by Welsh Government in June 2017. As part of that business case it was agreed that within the Vale a new service would be commissioned aimed at both high risk and standard risk. This is due to go to Cabinet in July 2017 for approval. The National Training Framework set by the Welsh Government requires every employee	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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						of the Council to be trained to level 1 by March 2018. Whilst this present a challenge for the Council, every effort is being made to achieve this. This is replicated across Wales.	
10. Safer Vale Community Safety Partnership A multi-agency partnership that sets the strategic direction for community safety in the Vale. Partners from South Wales Police, the Vale of Glamorgan Council, Fire Service, Health Service and the voluntary sector meet to discuss performance management information associated with community safety and ensuing legislative policy changes associated with the area.	Local Authority, South Wales Police, Police and Crime Commissioner s Officer, Local Health Board, National Probation Service, South Wales Fire and Rescue and Voluntary Sector.	Local	Miles Punter	The Safer Vale Partnership reports progress to the Public Services Board and its actions from part of the Single Integrated Plan.	Homes and Safe Communities	The priorities for the partnership and funding have been agreed for 2017/18. The partnership continues to meet and have focused discussions on substance misuse, domestic abuse, antiterrorism, integrated offender management, anti-social behaviour and any other emerging crime actions. The partnership coordinated a development day in April 2017 to focus on Substance Misuse and Domestic Abuse service and managing the complex needs of clients. The day was well supported with over 100 professionals attending and feeding in their experiences. It has resulted in an action plan being put in place to	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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						deliver against the issues that were raised. This includes looking at opportunities for a MASH (Multi agency safeguarding Hub) team in the Vale. Currently models are being reviewed to ensure that the Vale's needs are met improvements are put in place.	
11. Overarching Housing Forum The partnership has the purpose of developing the strategic response to housing need in the Vale of Glamorgan. It considers the emerging policy and legislative direction from Welsh Government. It establishes the short and medium term objectives associated with housing of all tenure in the Vale.	Newydd Housing Association, Hafod Housing Association, UWHA, Wales and West Housing Association, Cardiff and the Vale Health Board, National Landlord Association and the House Builders Federation.	Local	Miles Punter	The Housing Forum reports as required to the Public Services Board.	Homes and Safe Communities	The partnership has scoped the implications of Wales' first Housing Act. It has recently completed the development of the Local Housing Strategy (LHS) for the Vale. Workshop sessions have been held to scope the action plan associated with the strategy. The Forum monitors the progress of this Action Plan to ensure that the requirements outcomes are being met. The partnership meets on a quarterly basis and is involved in the development of other pieces of housing related work e.g. Local Housing Market Assessment, Supplementary Planning	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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						Guidance, Affordable Housing and the Gypsy and Traveller Needs Assessment. Significant progress made in a number of elements of the Housing (Wales\\ Act 2014, namely: - 1. Gypsy and Traveller Assessment completed and submitted to Welsh Government 2. WG and Shelter recognition of Housing Solutions approach in the Vale 3. RSL/ LA partnership agreement signed with a shared commitment in delivering affordable and supported housing solutions in the Vale; 4. The Tenancy Ready Service and Rooms4U Scheme set up with RSL partners. 5. The partnership is working with Welsh Government on financing increasing housing supply through its Social Housing Grant Programme, Housing and Finance Grant II. Consultation carried out and plans developed for	
						the first wave of new build council housing in the area	

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Partnership One of the three anti-poverty partnerships financial inclusion strategic partnership focuses on delivering a robust financial inclusion strategy. Partners include Citizens Advice Bureau, Cardiff and the Vale Credit Union, representatives from the registered social landlord sector, the Local Health Board, the Vale of Glamorgan Council, and other voluntary sector bodies.	Local Authority, Cardiff and Vale Citizen's Advice Bureau, Cardiff and Vale Credit Union, Age Connects, Cardiff and Vale UHB, Vale Foodbank, JH AM's Office, Newydd Housing Association, Hafod Housing Association, DWP, GVS, Wales Coop Centre	Local	Miles Punter	One of the three working groups that deliver the Community Strategy Delivery Plan 2014-18 and therefore reports to the Public Services Board as required. Its remit as with the two further working groups is predominantly eradicating poverty in the Vale of Glamorgan.	Homes and Safe Communities	The partnership meets on a quarterly basis. Its primary role was initially to consider the implications of Welfare Reform changes and put in place mitigation measures associated with such. Its remit has now been broadened to include all elements associated with financial inclusion. The partnership has developed a Financial Inclusion Strategy which was endorsed by the LSB in December 2015. The strategy is in line with Welsh Government's strategic approach. Recent areas of focus for the partnership has been on forthcoming Local Housing Allowance changes and changes to the Benefit Cap. An updated Delivery Plan monitoring report outlining the Financial Inclusion Group's progress and future challenges was taken to the Vale of Glamorgan Public Services Board in December and is available on the link	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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13. Regional Collaborative	Cardiff	Regional	Helen	Supported by a	Homes and	http://www.valeofglamorg an.gov.uk/en/our council/ Public-services- board/measuring_success .aspx The RCC is a continuing	An Inclusive &
Committee (Supporting People) A cross border partnership with Cardiff Council and colleagues from the statutory and supported housing sectors. The partnership considers the strategic priorities for the supporting people programme.	Council, Probation, LHB, Public Health, Community Housing Cymru & Cymorth		Jones	RCC Regional Support Co- Ordinator	Safe Communities	requirement of Welsh Government and its remit is defined within the Supporting People Programme Grant conditions. It has therefore continued to meet every 2 months to agree the regional priorities, sign off the spend plan and outturns for the region and to take forward the Supporting People agenda in compliance with Welsh Government Guidance. Two working groups continue to meet to deliver the annual Regional Commissioning Plan and to take forward the older persons services across the region to ensure that they comply with the up to date guidance from Welsh Government.	Safe Vale

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Outcomes		Regional, Local	Officer	Reporting Arrangements	Committee		Outcome(s)
This Group comprises officers from the Vale and development directors of the various registered social landlords that are zoned by Welsh Government to develop in the Vale of Glamorgan. The partnership considers the funding avenues for new build affordable housing and a programme of delivery for the forthcoming years	Newydd Housing Association, Hafod Housing Association, UWHA, Wales and West Housing Association	Local	Pam Toms	The Strategic Housing Forum is the development planning subgroup of the Overarching Housing Forum.	Homes and Safe Communities	The partnership meets on a quarterly basis to consider the existing affordable housing development programme, plan future development i.e. consider site acquisitions, planning applications and funding streams and to discuss the preferred housing association partner for individual market sites The Group also works towards delivering the Empty Homes Strategy and ensures that affordable housing standards are agreed and delivered on market housing sites.	An Inclusive & Safe Vale
This Group comprises key stakeholders involved in the Syrian Vulnerable Persons Resettlement Scheme, which is grant funded by Central Government. The Group ensures stakeholder resources are in place to support the resettlement of Syrian refugees in the Vale of Glamorgan and Cardiff.	Cardiff Council, Taff Housing Association, Cadwyn Housing Association, South Wales Police, Cardiff and Vale UHB, WSMP, Muslim Council of Wales,	Local	Mike Ingram	The Regional Leadership Group is the strategic planning group for the Syrian Resettlement Programme	Homes and Safe Communities	The Leadership Group meets on a quarterly basis to provide strategic direction and oversight for the regional partnership. The Group ensures that stakeholder resources are in place to meet the needs of beneficiaries, including the provision of accommodation, integration support services, health and education. The Group is	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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	Citizens UK, Jewish Representativ e Council for South Wales					planning the appropriate deployment of resources for an additional twelve months, following completion of the first year of the programme in May 2017.	
16. CCTV Development of proposals for shared service to be hosted by Bridgend Council.	Bridgend Council	Local	Debbie Gibbs	Project reports through Customer Relations Project Board. Governance arrangements for the service are still under development as part of the contractual arrangements	Corporate Performance and Resources & Homes and Safe Communities.	Cabinet agreed the enhancements for the CCTV service in July 2017. The contract of services between BCBC and the Vale is due to be finalised in August 2017. The service will be monitored by the Community Safety team.	An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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Learning & Skills							
17. Children & Young People's Partnership The Children and Young Peoples Programme Board is the overarching, multi-agency decision making body that provides leadership and direction for planning and service decisions relating to children and young people.	Local Authority, Voluntary sector, Public Health, Cardiff and Vale College, Careers Wales, South Wales Police & UHB, Youth Cabinet.	Local	Paula Ham	The Children and Young People's Programme Board reports progress to the PSB and its actions form part of the Single Integrated Plan	Learning and Culture	The Partnership continues to meet on a termly basis. Its work programme ensures it is more focussed on outcomes for children and young people. Partnership sub groups and members receive/give timely updates on services and provision for children, young people and families. A C&YP project report has been developed to show the breadth of projects that exist under the Partnership team. The Partnership continues to manage the development of Flying Start and the reduction in Families First programme funds to ensure that excellent services to vulnerable children, young people and families continue to be delivered.	An Aspirational & Culturally Vibrant Vale An Inclusive & Safe Vale

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18. Inspire to Achieve/Aspire to Work The Regional ESF Groups aims to provide a new and innovative programme of employer engagement activities to participants identified through the Local Authority's Early Identification Process with the aim of reducing participants who are NEET or are at' risk of becoming NEET.	Newport LA, Cardiff LA, Monmouth LA, Llamau Housing, Melin Housing, Cardiff and Vale College, Gwent College and careers Wales	Regional but part of 4 regions who will collaborat e on some joint work areas	Mark Davies	Inspire to Achieve/Aspire to Work project progress is reported to the Engagement and Progression Framework Strategic group and the Children and Young People's Programme Board	Learning and Culture	I2A - working across all 8 comprehensive schools, young people who have been identified as Red through the Local Authority's Early Identification Tool (EIT) have been presented at panel meetings. All staff have completed CEMP training and are updating the system with participants and activity data. Both expenditure and income are below profile due to delays in initiating the project and recruiting staff. It is envisaged that the Vale should have returned to profile by end of quarter 4. I2W – Programme has had verbal confirmation of a 1 st of February start although a formal letter from WEFO to initiate the programme has still not been received.	An Aspirational & Culturally Vibrant Vale An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale

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Outcomes		Local	Officer	Arrangements	Committee		Outcome(s)
19. Central South Consortium Central South Consortium providing a range of statutory school improvement functions to schools in the Vale. Schools receive support and challenge linked to their national categorisation with an increased emphasis on school-to-school approaches to school improvement. A legal agreement is in place for the consortium which is hosted by RCT.	Cardiff, Bridgend, Merthyr, Rhondda Cynon Taf councils	Regional	Paula Ham	Joint Committee supported by Advisory Board, Directors' Group, Operational Board and other stakeholder groups. In addition to reports to these groups DLS and HOS meet the Consortium. The Consortium reports annually to Learning and Culture Scrutiny Committee.	Learning and Culture	The Central South Consortium's role is to develop the capacity of schools in the region to lead improvement by supporting teachers and leaders to learn from each other, intervening only where progress is insufficient. The consortium. The Consortium has a clear business plan, governance structure, management arrangements and operational procedures for its work. The Consortium's functions follow the WG National Model for Regional Working. Since 2012 there has been a steep and sustained improvement in learner outcomes at every level and in every LA in the region. In particular, the region has shown significant progress in improving outcomes of the most vulnerable, narrowing the the gap between the performance of pupils eligible for free school meals and their peers. However, there remains further work to do	An Aspirational & Culturally Vibrant Vale

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						to make sure that every child regardless of their background, achieves. Attendance has improved significantly across the region. The Consortium was inspected by Estyn in March 2016. The inspection focussed on 5 key areas. The CSC was judged as good on 3 areas which includes its partnership work and adequate on 2. A post inspection action plan has been developed to address Estyn's recommendations. Areas for improvement in 2017/18 are set out in the Central South Consortium Business Plan 2017 – 2020.	
20. Cardiff and Vale Community Learning Partnership The members of the Cardiff and Vale Community Learning Partnership deliver adult community learning across Cardiff and the Vale of Glamorgan. The best interests of learners across the region form the basis of the Partnership rather than the interests of individual partners. The Strategy Group has responsibility for setting the strategic direction of the	Cardiff Council, Cardiff and Vale College, Adult Learning Wales	Local	Paula Ham	Joint Strategy Group comprising the four partners (chaired by VOG Council Annual report to Scrutiny Committee and reports to the Improving Opportunities Board	Learning and Culture	The ACL service in Cardiff and the Vale has significantly improved through the efforts of all aspects of the partnership working in a more coordinated way. The Strategic Group develops the strategic plan for the Partnership, agrees priorities and monitors performance. Members of the partnership are	An Aspirational & Culturally Vibrant Vale

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Partnership and regularly reviewing its effectiveness. Its purpose is to raise standards and identify opportunities to direct and share resources to improve efficiency, meet adult community learning needs of the region and ensure best use of funding.						collaborating on curriculum planning, marketing, data, quality, and resources. Over the four years of the partnership performance has improved significantly. Success rates have risen from 80% in 2012/13 to 91% in 2015/16, well above the welsh national average of 84%. The future of the partnership will be reviewed following receipt of WG's new ACL policy due to be launched summer 2017 and in view of Estyn's new ACL inspection framework also due to be launched in 2017.	
Managing Director & Resources							
21. Cardiff Capital City Region – City Deal	10 Local authorities, W.G. Westminster Government	Regional/ National	Rob Thomas	Being developed – City Deal board currently in place and consists of 10 LA leaders with a support group of Heads of Paid Service	Corporate Performance and Resources	Following support from the ten local authorities within the city region for the overarching principles of the deal, the Leaders of each Council signed the City Deal in a ceremony at Cardiff Airport on 1 st March 2017. The deal is binding for the next 5 years and can be reviewed for the next 20	An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale

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22. Ein Bro/Our Vale – Public Services Board	Cardiff and Vale UHB, Fire, Police, GVS, NRW, Cardiff and Vale College, Probation, PCC, Ambulance Trust,	Local	Huw Isaac	Cabinet and Scrutiny	Corporate Performance and Resources	year period. The next stage of the process will be the development of the Joint Working Agreement Business Plan which will be reported to each individual Council for finalisation, agreement and adoption. The PSB was established in May 2016. At the June 2017 meeting the terms of reference were reviewed, partners re-issued with an invitation to participate and the Leader was appointed Chair The PSB agreed the Wellbeing Assessment on 9 th March and it has now been published. Work has begun to develop the Well-being Plan which must be published in May 2018. To date a self-assessment exercise has been undertaken, expert workshops held and a workshop with the PSB to discuss the well-being objectives and content of the plan. A WG grant has been re-issued to support the work	An Environmentally Responsible & Prosperous Vale An Active & Healthy Vale An Inclusive & Safe Vale An Aspirational & Culturally Vibrant Vale
						to deliver the Well-being Plan. This has again been	

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23. Internal Audit Shared service with Bridgend Council.	Bridgend Council	Local	Carys Lord	Management Board oversee the operation of the service, agreeing and revising service standards annually. Progress is reported to Audit Committee in Annual Head of Internal Audit report.	Corporate Performance and Resources	Cabinets in Bridgend and the Vale of Glamorgan Councils have both considered the current joint working arrangement and agreement has been given to extend the current partnership arrangement for a further two years to 2020. Discussions are taking place regarding the possible extension of the partnership to include other Local Authorities.	This project contributes to the governance aspects of the integrated planning activities which support the delivery of all Well-being Outcomes.

24. Customer Relations / NHS Comms Hub Development of customer contact centre at C1V for integrated health services and social care services. The Cardiff & Vale UHB Cardiff & Vale UHB Curliss Cardiff & Vale UHB Curliss Curliss Reports through Integrated health and Social care Programme, Customer Relations Corporate Performance and Social care programme, Customer Relations Corporate Performance and Social care programme, Resources Customer Relations Corporate Performance and Social care programme, Customer Relations	Project Description, Purpose & Outcomes	Partners	National, Regional, Local	Lead Officer	Governance & Reporting Arrangements	Lead Scrutiny Committee	Progress Update	Well-being Outcome(s)
and Social Care services, improve first contact resolution and the overall customer experience. In addition, operational costs will be minimised through sharing of technology and staff resources to deliver services. PCIC Clinical Board depending on project project specification but implementation has been delayed due to changes in UHB requirements. Work is ongoing to resolve these. Implementation of Podiatry service for Cardiff localities has been delayed at the request of Communications Hub management. Call handling resource issues have given rise to concerns about the impact of taking on additional work on existing services. Currently there is no agreed implementation date. Recruitment of a jointly funded Project Manager has commenced. This post will identify opportunities and develop business cases for new services to be delivered jointly between the Communications Hub and	24. Customer Relations / NHS Comms Hub Development of customer contact centre at C1V for integrated health services and social care services. The project will simplify access to Health and Social Care services, improve first contact resolution and the overall customer experience. In addition, operational costs will be minimised through sharing of technology and		Local	Tony	Arrangements Reports through Integrated health and Social care Programme, Customer Relations Project Board and PCIC Clinical Board depending on	Corporate Performance and	successfully implemented for all council services and includes self-service options for basic enquiries and requests. Voice IVR process has been built as per initial functional specification but implementation has been delayed due to changes in UHB requirements. Work is ongoing to resolve these. Implementation of Podiatry service for Cardiff localities has been delayed at the request of Communications Hub management. Call handling resource issues have given rise to concerns about the impact of taking on additional work on existing services. Currently there is no agreed implementation date. Recruitment of a jointly funded Project Manager has commenced. This post will identify opportunities and develop business cases for new services to be delivered jointly between the	An Active & Healthy Vale

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25. Collection and Delivery of Physical Mail	Bridgend Council, South Wales Police	Local	Jeff Rees		Corporate Performance and Resources	Tri partite collaborative contract awarded following competitive tendering exercise run under the relevant NPS Framework Agreement. subject to contract documentation to be signed between the 3 client organisations and the winning DSA provider (WHISTL). The new contract anticipated to start later in October 2016 and will see savings accrued when compared to current contract prices.	This project contributes to the integrated planning activities which support the delivery of all Well-being Outcomes.
26. Community Asset Transfers (CATs)	Various	Local	Lorna Cross	CAT Group, Insight Board and Cabinet.	Corporate Performance and Resources	A new CAT policy and guidance was approved by Cabinet in April 2016. Various applications are in progress and supporting the Council's Reshaping Services programme.	This project contributes to the integrated planning activities which support the delivery of all Well-being Outcomes.

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Social Services							
27. Intermediate Care Fund (ICF) The ICF is funding made available from the Welsh Government on a regional basis to allow councils to invest in services which support older people, particularly the frail elderly, to maintain their independence and remain in their own home. The allocation of funding to the Cardiff and Vale of Glamorgan in 2015/16 is £2.153m. This funding is now provided on a recurrent basis and is administered by the Local Health Boards on the basis that the 2015/16 projects will build on the good work carried out in 2014/15 and assist with the preparation for the implementation of the Social Services and Well-being (Wales) Act 2014	Third Sector, Independent Sector, UHB, Cardiff Council	Local	Lance carver	Social Services Collaborative Working Board	Healthy Living and Social Care	The Integrated Health and Social Care Governance Board has agreed that the following projects will be progressed: Single Point of Access Project (building on the Customer Contact Centre in the Vale of Glamorgan), Preventative Interventions Project, Accommodation Solutions Discharge Project and Discharge to Assess Project. The Cardiff and Vale University Health Board are administering this Programme. The Vale of Glamorgan are leading on the Single Point of Access Project and the development of a reablement unit at the TyDyfan residential home. The Vale also provides the SRO for the Accommodation Solutions Discharge Project. Officers are working with patients and service users to accelerate discharge from hospital when there is an accommodation need, e.g. minor or major adaptations, specialist equipment or clean and	An Active & Healthy Vale

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						clear needs. A number of preventative and enhanced services are now in place delivered in partnership across the Vale Funding for some projects has been reduced significantly for 17/18. The ICF has been renamed integrated care fund. It continues to be scrutinized by the ICF board and also the regional partnership board. Projects related to the vale have received funding from last financial year and we have received confirmation that funding will continue. There is a short fall within the Grant itself but all SROs are aware and it is expected there will be slippage that will mean all projects for the Vale will be accommodated.	
28. Delivering Transformation Grant This grant provides the Region with funding to build capacity to deliver transformational change in social care.	Cardiff Council, Third Sector, UHB	Local	Lance carver	Integrated Health and Social Care Governance Board	Healthy Living and Social Care	The Delivering Transformation grant is being used to provide capacity to help support the implementation of the Social Services and Well- being (Wales) Act across	An Active & Healthy Vale

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						the region. The Director of Social Services is the Regional lead Director The Delivering Transformation Grant continues to provide additional capacity to support the implementation of the Act. Officers are working through a Regional Implementation Plan to inform and track progress. Workstream continue to be led by senior officers within Vale of Glamorgan Council and Cardiff Council. Currently we are moving towards ensuring that practice is compliant	
						with the Act and will become business as usual by the end of the financial year. The DTG will continue next yeatr but has been placed into the RSG. We anticipate continuing to work on a regional basis to ensure consistent implementation of the Act across the Region.	

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29. Strengthening the Connections Strengthening the Connections exists to support the implementation of the Social Services and Well-Being (Wales) Act and to place an emphasis on collaboration and integration between local government, NHS Wales and its partners.	Cardiff Council	Local	Lance Carver	Local governance arrangements are in place with regular meetings between the Directors of both Vale of Glamorgan and Cardiff Councils.	Healthy Living and Social Care	The regional project being pursued by the Vale and Cardiff councils is in developing a business case to assess the feasibility of a "Training Academy". Tony Young (Director of Children's Social Services, Cardiff Council) is the lead officer. There have been a number of workshops with staff across both local authorities to determine a proposed model of service to deliver training on a regional basis. We are working towards the development of a business case and reporting at Cabinet later in the calendar year to seek permission to consult on a proposed model for a regional training and workforce unit. A business case is being prepared, led by Cardiff Council to merge the two training teams. The plan will be presented to the Cabinet of both Councils in September, 2017.	An Active & Healthy Vale

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30. Vale, Valleys and Cardiff Regional Adoption Service	Cardiff, Bridgend, Merthyr, Rhondda Cynon Taf councils	National	Rachel Evans	Joint Management Board with representatives from each LA.	Healthy Living and Social Care	Collaborative working is beginning to enable a unified, consistent approach to service delivery and easier identification of need and gaps in provision. Overall the region has performed well in certain key areas and has managed a large volume of work and demand for services in its first year. The challenges faced in continuing to develop the service whilst meeting increasing demands, particularly in Adoption Support cannot however, be underestimated. The large agenda for change and improvement in adoption set by the development of the National Adoption Service whilst positive is resulting in increased awareness and expectation at a local level. The service will therefore need to be able to develop mechanisms and resources to ensure that it is able to respond effectively to the improvements required and to ensure better outcomes for all those	An Active & Healthy Vale