ENVIRONMENT AND REGENERATION SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Remote meeting, 17th January, 2023.

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<u>Present</u>: Councillor S.D. Perkes (Chair); Councillor J. Aviet (Vice-Chair); Councillors C.E.A. Champion, P. Drake, A.M. Ernest, M.J. Hooper, E. Penn, I.A.N. Perry and S.T. Wiliam.

Also present: Councillors B. Brooks (Deputy Leader and Cabinet Member for Sustainable Places), L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources), W.A. Hennessy, Dr. I.J. Johnson, E. Williams (Cabinet Member for Social Care and Health) and M. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillors V.P. Driscoll and C. Jannuci.

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meetings held on 15th November and 13th December, 2022 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

No declarations of interest were received.

AGENDA ITEM 4. AUDIT WALES: VALE OF GLAMORGAN COUNCIL ASSURANCE AND RISK ASSESSMENT (ARA) REVIEW 2021/22 AND THE AUDITOR GENERAL FOR WALES NATIONAL STUDY REPORT ON PUBLIC SECTOR CARBON READINESS FOR NET ZERO BY 2030 (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – THAT the contents of the report be noted.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 5. UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the funding provided be welcomed.

Reason for recommendation

Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 6. PROJECT ZERO UPDATE REPORT (CX) –

RECOMMENDED -

- (1) T H A T the progress detailed in the report in relation to the challenges within the Climate Change Challenge Plan be noted.
- (2) T H A T the recommendation that the overall progress be reported twice a year be approved. This will be in addition to progress reported as part of the quarterly performance monitoring reports and specific topic related reports, for example on the Green Infrastructure Plan or transport issues.
- (3) T H A T the funding available in reserves and the arrangements proposed to approve the use of reserves to progress future schemes be noted.
- (4) T H A T the information provided with regards to the Council's carbon emissions as reported to Welsh Government in the Autumn 2022 be noted.
- (5) T H A T the report and any comments of the Committee be referred to Cabinet to be considered alongside the comments of the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee.
- (6) T H AT it be recommended to Cabinet that this report be distributed to all elected Members, members of the Public Services Board and all Town and Community Councils for their information.

Reasons for recommendations

- (1) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.
- (2) To enable meaningful and timely progress reporting.
- (3) To ensure that Members are aware of the available funding and the arrangements for allocation and approval of schemes to progress Project Zero.
- (4) To ensure that Members are aware of the latest information reported to Welsh Government with regards to the Council's carbon emissions.
- (5) To enable Cabinet to consider the comments of the Environment and Regeneration Scrutiny Committee as part of its consideration of progress in delivering the Climate Challenge Plan.
- (6) To update all elected Members and other stakeholders on the arrangements in place to deliver Project Zero.