

HOMES AND SAFE COMMUNITIES SCRUTINY COMMITTEE

Decision Notice – Remote Meeting, 5th February, 2025.

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Present: Councillor A.M. Collins (Chair); Councillor B. Loveluck-Edwards (Vice-Chair); Councillors J. Aviet, G.M. Ball, S.J. Haines, S.M. Hanks, W.A. Hennessy and S. Lloyd-Selby and H.M. Payne.

Also present: C. Ireland (Citizens Advice Cardiff and Vale); G. Doyle, D. Dutch and H. Smith (Tenant Working Group / Panel Representatives); Councillors L. Burnett (Executive Leader and Cabinet Member for Performance and Resources), C.P. Franks, G. John (Cabinet Member for Leisure, Sport and Wellbeing), Dr. I.J. Johnson, S.D. Perkes (Cabinet Member for Public Sector Housing and Tenant Engagement) and M.R. Wilson (Cabinet Member for Neighbourhood and Building Services).

AGENDA ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE –

These were received from Councillor M.J.G. Morgan; V. John (Tenant Working Group/ Panel Representative).

AGENDA ITEM 2. MINUTES –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the minutes of the meeting held on 8th January, 2025 be approved as a correct record.

AGENDA ITEM 3. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST –

Councillor J. Aviet declared a personal interest in Agenda Item No. 6 – Tenant and Leaseholder Engagement Strategy Update – as she was a Council Tenant.

Councillor W.A. Hennessy declared a personal interest in Agenda Item No. 6 – Tenant and Leaseholder Engagement Strategy Update – in that he was a Council Tenant.

AGENDA ITEM 4. INITIAL BUDGET 2025/26 AND MEDIUM TERM FINANCIAL PLAN 2025/26 TO 2029/30 PROPOSALS FOR CONSULTATION (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the contents of the Cabinet reference and the appended report on the Initial Budget 2025/26 and Medium Term Financial Plan 2025/26 to 2029/30 Proposals for Consultation be noted, and the following views of

the Committee be referred for scrutiny at the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee:

- That lobbying should continue around an improved settlement for the Vale of Glamorgan from Welsh Government;
- The importance of conveying the information contained in the proposals to residents in an understandable format, and to gain resident views effectively.

Reason for recommendation

For the Corporate Performance and Resources Scrutiny Committee to be advised of the views of this Committee in order for a composite response to be developed and referred back to Cabinet.

AGENDA ITEM 5. DRAFT CAPITAL PROGRAMME PROPOSALS 2025/26 TO 2029/30 (REF) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the contents of the Cabinet reference and the appended report on the Draft Capital Programme Proposals 2025/26 to 2029/30, be noted.

Reason for recommendation

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

AGENDA ITEM 6. TENANT AND LEASEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT STRATEGY UPDATE (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED – T H A T the progress made to date on delivering the objectives and actions set out in the Strategy be noted.

Reason for recommendation

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

AGENDA ITEM 7. HOMELESSNESS – RAPID REHOUSING PLAN UPDATE (DEH) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the current service pressures arising from homelessness and progress made in implementing the Rapid Rehousing Plan be noted.

(2) T H A T the steps being taken to reduce the use of temporary accommodation be noted.

Reason for recommendations

(1&2) Having regard to the contents of the report and discussions at the meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 8. PUBLIC SERVICES BOARD (PSB) PROJECT UPDATE:
WORKING WITH PEOPLE WHO LIVE IN OUR COMMUNITIES THAT
EXPERIENCE HIGHER LEVELS OF DEPRIVATION (CX) –

RECOMMENDED –

(1) T H A T the work undertaken through this project to work with people who lived in our communities who experienced higher levels of deprivation be noted.

(2) T H A T Committee receive further updates on the work of this project as appropriate.

(3) THAT Committee receives a report from the Community Safety Partnership team on the response to Violence Against Women, Domestic Abuse and Sexual Violence issues.

Reasons for recommendations

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

(2) In order that Members are updated as to the progress of the project and the support available to residents who experienced higher levels of deprivation.

(3) In order for Members to be informed of the work being carried out to combat these issues, which were identified as being among the key areas of crime within the Vale of Glamorgan's most deprived communities.